



XVIII Pan-American Games
Toronto, Canada
Julio 13-21, 2015

BEACH VOLLEYBALL COMPETITION REGULATIONS

1. Organizer

- 1.1 For the organization of the **XVIII Pan-American Games, Toronto 2015**, the Organizing Committee, TO2015 and Volleyball Canada accepts to comply with the terms and conditions established in the Competition Regulations that are the official statutes of the event.
- 1.2 The Organizing Committee, TO2015, and Volleyball Canada, affiliated to Norceca Volleyball Confederation, the Pan American Volleyball Union (PVU) and to the Federation Internationale de Volleyball (FIVB) **will be responsible for the organization of the XVIII Pan-American Games, Toronto, 2015, Beach Volleyball Competitions** programmed to be held from July 13-21, 2015, in the city of Toronto, Canada.

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2. Host City and Competition Venue

2.1 Host City

The XVIII Pan-American Games, 2015, **Beach Volleyball Competitions** will be held in the city of **Toronto, Canada**. The event will be held from **July 13-21, 2015**.

2.2 International Airport of Arrival and Departure

The International Airport for the arrival and departure of participating National Teams in the XVIII Pan-American Games, 2015 is;

- Toronto Pearson International Airport (YYZ), Terminal 1 and 3.

2.3 Competition Venues

The main competition venues for participating teams are:

- **Toronto:**
Chevrolet Beach Volleyball Centre
CIBC Pan Am Park, Downtown Toronto's Waterfront
Address: 170 Princes' Blvd, Toronto, ON M6K 3C3

2.4 Training Venues

The training venues for participating teams are:

Chevrolet Beach Volleyball Centre
CIBC Pan Am Park, Downtown Toronto's waterfront
Address: 170 Princes' Blvd, Toronto, ON M6K 3C3

2.5 **Accommodation, Meals and Internal Transportation**

Accommodation, meals and internal transportation for Participating Teams, Control Committee and Referees will be covered by the XVIII Pan- American Games Organizing Committee, from July 10-22, 2015.

a) **Team Hotel:**

CIBC Pan Am Athletes' Village
(PAV)

b) **Officials Hotels:**

- **Eaton Chelsea Hotel.**

33 Gerrard Street West, Toronto, ON Canada M5G 1Z4

c) **Meal Services**

Participating teams, members of the Control Committee and Referees will receive their meals in the official hotel designated for their accommodation. Officials will receive their meals in accordance with the agreement established in the MOU of a daily per diem for lunch and dinner, with breakfast served at the hotel each day.

3. **Statutes & Authority**

3.1 **Competition Regulations**

These Regulations will be the statute that controls the competition. Any situation not covered by these regulations will be decided according to NORCECA, CSV and PVU Regulations and in the contrary, by the FIVB Regulations, including its Constitution, Administrative, Sport, Financial, General Regulations, Complementary Statutes and Code of Conduct.

3.2 **FIVB Official Rules of the Game**

The **XVIII Pan-American Games** will be played in accordance with the FIVB Official Rules of the Game in force.

3.3 **Control Committee**

The competition will be conducted by the Control Committee, which will be designated and appointed by the President of the Pan American Volleyball Union (PVU).

3.4 VISA information

In order to facilitate the participation of qualified National Teams, Control Committee Members and Referees in the XVIII Pan-American Games, the Organizing Committee, TO2015, must guarantee, through the corresponding governmental authorities, the entry VISA that will permit the entry into Canada of the participating team members registered in the FIVB BV0-2 Form. Participating National Federations through their National Olympic Committee, (NOC) are responsible for the submission of required documents to their respective Embassies and all related costs.

4. Events Schedule:

DATE	ACTIVITY
July 10, 2015	Arrival of Referees, Officials and Participating Teams. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 10:00 first inspection visit to the Competition and Training Venues, accommodation facilities, security, working offices, meeting rooms, VIS, Press Conference Room, T.V. transmission and transportation.• All Day, training of participating teams according to their arrival itinerary/schedule.• 15:00 Control Committee and Organizing Committee Representatives meeting to be held at the Official Hotel, or at the Chevrolet Beach Volleyball Centre.
July 11, 2015	Arrival of Referees, Officials and Participating Teams. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 10:00 second inspection visit, to the Competition and Training Venues, accommodation facilities, security, working offices, meeting rooms, VIS, Press Conference Room, T.V. transmission and transportation.• All Day, training of participating teams according to their arrival itinerary/schedule.• 09:00 – 17:00, Preliminary Inquiry of participating teams according to their arrival itinerary/schedule at the teams' Chevrolet Beach Volleyball Centre.• 18:00 Control Committee and Organizing Committee meeting to be held at the Chevrolet Beach Volleyball Centre.• 19:00 -21:00, General Technical Meeting at the Chevrolet Beach Volleyball Centre.

July 12, 2015

Training of participating teams All Day

- **10:00** last inspection visit to the Competition and Training Venues, accommodation facilities, security, working offices, meeting rooms, VIS, Press Conference Room, T.V. transmission and transportation.
- **All Day, training of participating teams according to the training schedule.**
- **18:00** Control Committee and Organizing Committee meeting to be held at the Official Hotel, or at the Chevrolet Beach Volleyball Centre.

TORONTO 2015 BEACH VOLLEYBALL COMPETITION SCHEDULE

Date	Start Time	Stadium Court	
Day 1 Monday July 13	09:00	Brazil vs Nicaragua	
	10:00	Costa Rica vs Chile	
	11:00	Chile vs El Salvador	
	12:00	Brazil vs Aruba	
	14:30	USA vs El Salvador	
	15:30	Columbia vs Guatemala	
	16:30	Argentina vs Cuba	
	17:30	Mexico vs Venezuela	
	20:00	Canada vs Cayman Islands	
	21:00	Uruguay vs Puerto Rico	
	22:00	USA vs St. Lucia	
	23:00	Puerto Rico vs Trinidad & Tobago	
Date	Start Time	Stadium Court	
Day 2 Tuesday July 14	09:00	Brazil vs Chile	
	10:00	Argentina vs. Trinidad & Tobago	
	11:00	Uruguay vs Guatemala	
	12:00	Brazil vs Venezuela	
	14:30	Canada vs Puerto Rico	
	15:30	Mexico vs Cuba	
	16:30	USA vs Cuba	

	17:30	Mexico vs Aruba	
	20:00	Argentina vs St. Lucia	
	21:00	Canada vs Nicaragua	
	22:00	Costa Rica vs Nicaragua	
	23:00	Uruguay vs Cayman Islands	
Day 3 Wednesday July 15			
Date	Start Time	Stadium Court	
	09:00	Argentina vs Cuba	
	10:00	Colombia vs El Salvador	
	11:00	Chile vs Trinidad & Tobago	
	12:00	Brasil vs Mexico	
	14:30	Canada vs Guatemala	
	15:30	Puerto Rico vs El Salvador	
	16:30	Mexico vs Trinidad & Tobago	
	17:30	USA vs Guatemala	
	20:00	Canada vs Uruguay	
	21:00	Puerto Rico vs Cayman Islands	
	22:00	Venezuela vs Aruba	
	23:00	Uruguay vs Nicaragua	

Date	Start Time	Stadium Court
Day 4 Thursday July 16	09:00	Brazil vs Costa Rica
	10:00	Argentina vs Mexico
	11:00	Chile vs Puerto Rico
	12:00	Trinidad & Tobago vs El Salvador
	14:30	Cuba vs Trinidad & Tobago
	15:30	Chile vs Nicaragua
	16:30	USA vs Argentina
	17:30	Cuba vs St. Lucia
	20:00	Guatemala vs Nicaragua
	21:00	Canada vs Uruguay
	22:00	USA vs Colombia
	23:00	Guatemala vs El Salvador
Date	Start Time	Stadium Court
Day 5 Friday July 17	09:00	W 13-16 (9)
	10:00	W 13-16 (10)
	11:00	M 13-16 (9)
	12:00	M 13-16 (10)
	14:30	W R12 (1)
	15:30	W R12 (2)
	16:30	M R12 (1)
	17:30	M R12 (2)
	20:00	W R12 (3)
	21:00	W R12 (4)
	22:00	M R12 (3)
	23:00	M R12 (4)
Date	Start Time	Stadium Court
Day 6 Saturday July 18	09:00	W 9-12 (13)
	10:00	W 9-12 (14)
	11:00	M 9-12 (13)
	12:00	M 9-12 (14)
	14:30	W QF (5)
	15:30	W QF (6)

	16:30	M QF (5)
	17:30	M QF (6)
	20:00	W QF (7)
	21:00	W QF (8)
	22:00	M QF (7)
	23:00	M QF (8)

Date	Start Time	Stadium Court
Day 7 Sunday July 19	09:00	W 13-16 (11)
	10:00	W 13-16 (12)
	11:00	M 13-16 (11)
	12:00	M 13-16 (12)
	15:00	W SF (21)
	16:00	M SF (21)
	20:00	W SF (22)
	21:00	M SF (22)
Date	Start Time	Stadium Court
Day 8 Monday July 20	09:00	W 9-12 (15)
	10:00	W 9-12 (16)
	11:00	M 9-12 (15)
	12:00	M 9-12 (16)
	15:00	W 5-8 (17)
	16:00	M 5-8 (17)
	20:00	W 5-8 (18)
	21:00	M 5-8 (18)

Date	Start Time	Stadium Court
Day 9 Tuesday July 21	09:00	W 5-8 (19)
	10:00	W 5-8 (20)
	11:00	M 5-8 (19)
	12:00	M 5-8 (20)
	15:00	W Bronze (23)
	16:00	W Gold (24)
	20:00	M Bronze (23)
	21:00	M Gold (24)

Pool A	Pool B	Pool C	Pool D
CANADA	BRASIL	USA	CHILE
URUGUAY	MEXICO	ARGENTINA	PUERTO RICO
GUATEMALA	VENEZUELA	CUBA	TRINIDAD & TOBAGO
NICARAGUA	ARUBA	ST. LUCIA	EL SALVADOR

Pool A	Pool B	Pool C	Pool D
CANADA	BRASIL	USA	ARGENTINA
URUGUAY	COSTA RICA	COLOMBIA	MEXICO
PUERTO RICO	CHILE	GUATEMALA	CUBA
CAYMAN ISLANDS	NICARAGUA	EL SALVADOR	TRINIDAD & TOBAGO

July 22, 2015

Departure of Control Committee members, Referees and participating teams.

5. Participating Teams & Delegation Composition

- 5.1 A maximum of eight (16) teams per gender are qualified to participate in the **XVIII Pan- American Games, Toronto, 2015**. The qualified teams are the Host Country (1), the top 10 teams in the Norceca ranking in addition to the 5 top teams from the South American National Federations affiliated to the **PVU**:

Men's Qualified Countries		
NORCECA		CSV
1- USA	6- Trinidad & Tobago	11- Brasil
2- Puerto Rico	7- El Salvador	12- Chile
3- Mexico	8- St. Lucia	13- Argentina
4- Guatemala	9- Aruba	14- Uruguay
5- Cuba	10- Nicaragua	15- Venezuela
16- CANADA HOSTING		

Women's Qualified Countries		
NORCECA		CSV
1- USA	6- Cuba	11- Brasil
2- México	7- Trinidad & Tobago	12- Argentina
3- Costa Rica	8- El Salvador	13- Colombia
4- Puerto Rico	9- Nicaragua	14- Uruguay
5- Guatemala	10- Cayman Islands	15- Chile
16- CANADA HOSTING		

NOTE 1: In case one of above qualified teams withdraws their participation, the next team in the Continental ranking of the corresponding Volleyball Confederation will be eligible to participate.

5.2 Team Composition

Each team delegation will be composed of a maximum of 5 persons in case that the country be qualified in both gender, if the country is only qualified in one gender the delegation will be composed of a maximum of 3 persons consisting of:

- Two (2) Players
- One Team Manager,

5.3 Additional Team Personnel

All persons that exceed what is stipulated in Article 5.2 above will be considered as additional personnel and the National Federation (NF) and its National Olympic Committee that register them will have to cover all their expenses, including

lodging, meals and internal transportation, in accordance with the terms and conditions established by the Organizing committee of the XVIII Pan-American Games, Toronto 2015. The names of these persons should be submitted in advance to PVU.

6. Player's Eligibility

- 6.1 **The eligibility of participating players for the Beach Volleyball competition of the XVIII Pan- American Games , Toronto 2015;** players must be citizens of the country that they represent according to the FIVB Sports and General Regulations. The official document to verify the player's eligibility is their valid passport, issued by the competent governmental authorities of their country.
- 6.2 The passports of all players and ID Credential provided by TO2015, must be presented to the Control Committee for verification during the Team Preliminary Inquiry. Players whose original passport (no passport copies will be accepted) is not presented during the Preliminary Inquiry will not be register and therefore, will not be eligible to participate in the competition.

7. Registration

- 7.1 The registration of each participating National Team must be submitted by their respective NOC to the Organizing Committee TO2015, copy of such registration must also be submitted to the PVU. TO2015 will remit to the PVU the final registration list in accordance with the procedures before the established deadline.
- 7.2 National teams must present during the preliminary inquiry the BV-02, BV-04 and BV-08 forms.

8. Official Rules, Ball & Uniforms

- 8.1 The XVIII Pan- American Games Beach Volleyball Competition will be played under the current FIVB Rules of the Game in force at the time of the competition. All necessary interpretations are to be clarified during the Referee Clinic and/or the General Technical Meeting.
- 8.2 **Official Ball and Sport Equipment**
The official competition game ball will be the **Molten BV5000**.
The sport equipment (Net System, antennas) must be Homologated by the FIVB/PVU.

8.3 Uniforms

Player's uniforms should be FIVB Homologated and in accordance with FIVB Official Rules. Each team should have available a minimum of two (2) sets of playing uniforms of different colors, one of which should be based white in color.

8.4 Publicity on Uniforms

Publicity on player's uniforms must be authorized by PASO, the XVIII Pan- American Games Organizing Committee, TO2015 and approved by NORCECA/PVU previous to completion of the publicity uniform form and in accordance with the FIVB/PVU publicity format for uniforms. Publicity on players' uniforms must be in accordance with the FIVB Sport Material, Team Equipment, and Advertising Guidelines. Teams presenting uniforms that are not in compliance with the FIVB regulations will not be able to use those uniforms during the event, therefore, new uniforms that comply with the FIVB Uniform Regulations and FIVB Sport Material, Team Equipment and Advertising Guidelines must be presented to the Control Committee of the event for approval.

9. Competition Format and Team Distribution

Format

The men's and women's beach volleyball tournament at the TORONTO 2015 Pan Am Games will consist of 16 teams competing in a preliminary round (round robin), first round of playoffs, quarter-finals, semifinals and final matches. In addition to the playoff rounds, there will be classification rounds to place teams from 5th to 16th place. As a result, all competing teams will have a unique final ranking from 1 to 16 (There will be no duplicate rankings).

Teams will be divided into four pools of four teams each (men — pools A, B, C and D; women — pools A, B, C and D). The system for dividing the groups will be decided by the ranking of the participating national beach volleyball teams, as of January 1, 2015.

All matches will be played in two sets of 21 points each, with a minimum lead margin of victory being two points. In case of a 1–1 tie, the deciding set (the 3rd) will be played to 15 points, with a minimum lead of two points.

Preliminary round

Total matches for the preliminary round will be 24 for each gender (round robin). The top ranked team in each pool will get a bye while the second and third-ranked teams in each pool will advance to the next round. These second and third-ranked teams will play to determine who advances to the quarter-finals.

Federation Internationale de Volleyball (FIVB) rules for pool ranking in beach volleyball

For all matches, the final team ranking will be determined in accordance with the results of the matches (won or lost). For each match won, the winning team will earn 2 match points. For each match lost, the losing team will earn 1 match point. For each forfeited match, the winning team will earn 2 match points, while the forfeited team will earn 0 points.

All discontinued matches or matches not commenced will be assessed by the technical delegate and/or competition director to determine if the losing team is a disqualification (DSQ) or disqualification by injury (INJ/DSQ) and whether they will receive any match points.

If a team withdraws due to an injury before or during a match or gets disqualified during a match, it will earn 1 match point and will keep the sets and points earned up to that moment, but the sets and points against will be the maximum. For example, if a team wins the first set 21:19 and is injured and forfeits the match when they are losing the second set 4:6, this injured team would earn 1 match point with sets of 1:2 and rally points of 21:19, 4:21 and 0:15. In this example, the winning team would get 2 match points with sets of 2:1 and rally points of 19:21, 6:4, 0:0. In addition, its match result will be marked with INJ/DSQ.

If the injury occurs before the match begins, the match will be marked INJ/DSQ and the losing team will be awarded 1 match point with sets of 0:2 and rally points of 0:21, 0:21. In this case, the winning team will be awarded 2 match points with sets of 2:0 and rally points of 0:0, 0:0.

If a team withdraws without a valid reason before a match (e.g. no show), they will lose by forfeit 0–2 (0:21, 0:21) and will earn 0 match points. In addition, this match result will be marked with DSQ. The winning team will receive 2 match points with sets of 2:0 and rally points of 0:0, 0:0.

If a team is disqualified during the preliminary round of the tournament due to a positive doping test, it will lose all the matches in the pool (played or to be played) by forfeit (see above). It will receive no rank.

All of the team's matches in the pool will be recorded as a forfeit for ranking purposes. For example, all winning teams receive: sets 2:0, rally points 0:0, 0:0.

Every team will play the three other teams in their pool. The ranking of teams within their pools will be determined by the total number of match points, with the following points awarded per match to each team:

Match won	2 points
Match lost	1 point
Match forfeited	0 points (21-0; 21-0)

In the case of a tie in the pools (match points) during the round robin, the following rules will apply:

Between two teams

If teams have played against each other, the winner of the head-to-head match will be ranked higher.

If teams concerned have not played against each other, their ranking will be determined by the rally points ratio between all teams in the pool. If a tie still exists by points ratio, then the teams will have the same position in ranking.

Between three teams

If three teams have a tie in the main points, then the top-ranked team will be determined by the rally points ratios in the matches between the three tied teams. If a tie still exists, then the teams will have the same position in the ranking.

Between four teams

The ranking will be determined by the points ratio between all teams in the pool. If a tie still exists, then the teams will have the same position in the ranking.

In case of a tie in the pools (match points) at the end of the round robin, the following rules will apply:

Between two teams

The winner of the head-to-head match will be ranked higher.

Between three teams

Teams will be ranked by the rally-points ratios in the matches between the three tied teams. If a tie still exists, then the teams still tied will be ranked by the rally-points ratio between all teams in the pool.

If a tie still exists, then the teams still tied will be determined by the tournament seeding established at the main draw technical meeting (the highest seed of the tied teams is the top-ranked team).

10. Rights of the Host Country

- 10.1 Once the Preliminary, Classification, Quarterfinals, Semifinal and Final Rounds matches are established, the XVIII Pan- American Games Organizing Committee, TO2015 or the host National Federation will propose to the Control Committee the time and order of all matches to be played. All matches are established in the Official Competition Schedule/Format of the event.

The host country will also have all other rights as established in the FIVB General Regulations.

11. Financial Responsibilities

- 11.1 The following will be the financial responsibilities of the XVIII Pan- American Games Organizing Committee, TO2015:
- a) **Internal Transportation, lodging, and meals** for Control Committee, Referees and Team Delegations, from the date of arrival to date of departure, according to the terms and conditions established in the MOU agreed upon between the PVU and TO2015.

- b) **First Aid and Medical Service** must be provided during the Competition. (International Medical Insurance is recommended for participating teams in order to cover the payment of their medical services if needed that may be required by the members of their delegation), according to the terms and conditions established in the MOU agreed upon between the PVU and TO2015.
- c) **Payment of Per Diem** to Control Committee Members, Technical, Support Staff and Referees, according to what has been agreed upon and established by the PVU and the Organizing Committee TO2015, in the Memorandum of Understanding, MOU.

NOTE 1: The payment of Per Diem for the Members of the Control Committee, Competition Director, Press Delegate, Medical Delegate, VIS Director, Technical, Support Staff and participating Referees must be covered before the conclusion of the Preliminary Round of the competition.

NOTE 2: The payment of Per Diem to local officials, technical and support personnel, Medical and local Press Delegate, is to be made in accordance with the established agreement between the XVIII Pan-American Games Organizing Committee, TO2015 or Volleyball Canada with the person contracted for the required services.

- d) **Air Fare:** (economical class) for Control Committee Members, Technical Staff and Referees according to the terms and conditions established in the MOU agreed upon between the PVU and TO2015.

11.2 The following are the responsibilities for participating National Federations:

- a) To remit a letter confirming the participation of their National Team to PVU and the host National Federation before the established deadline.
- b) Be responsible, together with their National Olympic Committee for all other additional expenses of their delegation that may apply.
- c) Payment of international transportation, as well as visa fees, and airport taxes.
- d) To present the following documents during the Preliminary Inquiry:
 - BV-02 Form
 - BV-04 Form
 - BV-08 form
 - PVU Publicity Form and publicity certificate approved by PASO (if necessary)
 - Original passports of all players
 - Players ID Card official Accreditation
 - Color copy of all players' passports

12. Complaints and Sanctions

12.1 Complaints:

- a) All complaints must be presented in writing to the Control Committee. The procedure established to present a complaint must be according to the FIVB Beach Volleyball Sports Regulations. Complaints will be resolved according to the FIVB General, Sports and Rules of the Games in force.
- b) Complaints related to a technical issue (violation of the FIVB Beach Volleyball Rules of the sports regulations) must be resolved by the acting Control Committee of the match where the violation of the Rules of the Game has been verified.
- c) All complaints and appeals not related to a technical issue and/or violation of the Rules of the Game must be presented in writing to the Control Committee President within 60 minutes after the conclusion of the match. Complaints and appeals must be presented with a deposit of US\$500.00 (Five Hundred Dollars) cash; if the complaint and/or appeal proceeds, the deposit will be reimbursed. The Control Committee President must announce the verdict within 12 hours after the presentation of the complaint and/or appeal.

12.2 Sanctions:

For this competition the following sanctions have been established:

- a) Negligence to provide the BV-02, BV-04 and BV-08 Forms by the deadline established will apply a sanction of US\$500.00 (Five Hundred Dollars).
- b) The non-fulfillment of Article 8.3 of these Regulations, corresponding to the uniforms of Participating Teams, in accordance with the FIVB Official Uniform Regulations, will apply a sanction of US\$3,000.00 (Three Thousand Dollars).
- c) Also, teams presenting less than the mandatory two (2) sets of uniforms, as established in Article 8.3 above of these regulations, will be sanction with a USD\$1,000.00 (One Thousand Dollars) fine.
- d) All sanctions established by the FIVB Constitution, Code of Conduct, Administrative, Financial, Sport, General Regulations and Complementary Statutes would be applicable.
- e) The non-fulfillment of Article 11.2, a), d), above, will apply a fine of USD\$500.00 in each case as foreseen.

13. Referees

13.1 The PVU President, with the advice of the NORCECA and the CSV Referee Commission Presidents, will designate the Referees for the Pan-American Games Toronto 2015.

13.2 Other Officials

13.2.1 According to the FIVB General Regulations and considering that this event is an Inter-Continental Event approved by the FIVB, the Control Committee (Refereeing Sub-Commission and Appeal Sub-Commission) will be designated by the PVU President or his Representative from among members of the National Federations affiliated to the NORCECA, CSV and PVU, whose representatives are members of the NORCECA and CSV Executive Committees, Boards of Administration, Beach Volleyball, Technical, Refereeing, VIS, Press and Medical Commissions of their Confederations.

13.2.2 Line Judges, Scorekeepers, Statisticians, VIS, Ball Retrievers, Sweepers, Scoreboard Operators, Announcers and other supporting personnel shall be presented by the representative of the XVIII Pan- American Games Organizing Committee, TO2015, and /or Volleyball Canada to the Control Committee President and/or his/her Representative for approval.

13.2.3 The XVIII Pan- American Games Organizing Committee, TO2015 and Volleyball Canada will present these personnel to the Control Committee during the Refereeing Clinic for evaluation and approval.

13.2.4 The Refereeing Sub-Commission will assist the Control Committee, supervising the officials and support personnel, being responsible for their performance.

14. Training Facilities

14.1 The Host Organizing Committee of the XVIII Pan- American Games Organizing Committee, TO2015, must provide training facilities with appropriate conditions for the daily training of the participating teams, for at least one hour, from their arrival until the end of the competition.

15. Security

The Organizing Committee of the XVIII Pan-American Games, TO2015 must guarantee the security of all participating team delegations members, from their arrival until their departure, including the hotel the Pan-American Village, main competition venues, training venues, during official matches as well as during their internal transportation.

16. Accreditation

The XVIII Pan- American Games Organizing Committee, TO2015, must provide the corresponding accreditation to all participating teams delegation members through their corresponding National Olympic Committee, NOC. In addition, PVU Officials as well as Referees, National and International Technical and Support Staff must be provided with the necessary accreditation according to the standards and regulations established by the Pan-American Sport Organization, PASO.

17. Medical Services

17.1 The host Organizing Committee will provide first aid medical services during the competition. Further, the host will also provide access to clinic/hospital facilities for the physical assessments of the Referees.

17.2 All team delegations shall be responsible together with their National Olympic Committee for their own medical expenses. It is recommended that all participating teams provide their own international medical insurance. The Organizing Committee of the XVIII Pan-American Games, TO2015, will provide the necessary medical assistance and services to all participating players and team officials.

17.3 **Anti-Doping control test will** be performed during the competition under the responsibility of WADA/PASO and will be perform according to the WADA/FIVB protocol. Anti-Doping test may be perform during the competition and outside the competition as established in the WADA CODE and Procedures

18. Awards:

The first three (3) ranked teams will be awarded as follows:

1st Place: Gold Medals

2nd Place: Silver Medals

3rd Place: Bronze Medals

These Competition Regulations have been prepared by Prof. Nelson Jose Ramirez, NORCECA General Manager, verified and endorse by Mr. Eduard Drakish, Local Technical Coordinator , Itc , for the Toronto 2015 Pan-American Games and approved by Mr. Cristóbal Marte Hoffiz, President of NORCECA and the Pan American Volleyball Union.

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