



VERACRUZ 2014

XXII JUEGOS DEPORTIVOS
CENTROAMERICANOS Y DEL CARIBE

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL COMPETITION REGULATIONS

November 15-20, 2014





XXII Central American & Caribbean Games

Veracruz, Mexico

11-21 November 2014

COMPETITION REGULATIONS (Women)

1. Organizer

1.1 For the organization of the **XXII Central American & Caribbean Games, 2014**, the Organizing Committee, COVER 2014 and the Mexican National Volleyball Federation accepts to comply with the terms and conditions established in these Competition Regulations that are the official statutes of the event.

1.2 The Organizing Committee, COVER 2014 and the Mexican National Volleyball Federation, 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 XXII Central American & Caribbean Games, 2014**, programmed to be held from November 11-21, 2014, in the city of Cordoba, Veracruz, Mexico.

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2. Host City and Competition Venue

2.1 Host City

The XXII Central American & Caribbean Games, 2014, will be held in the city of **Cordoba, Veracruz, Mexico**. The event will be held from **November 11-21, 2014**.

2.2 International Airport of Arrival and Departure

The International Airport for the arrival and departure of participating National Teams in the XXII Central American & Caribbean Games, 2014, is;

- General Heriberto Jara International Airport (VER)

2.3 Competition Venues

The main competition venues for participating teams are:

- **Cordoba:**
The Volleyball Arena de Cordoba
Address: Ciudad de Cordoba, Veracruz, Mexico

2.4 Training Venues

The training venues for participating teams are:

- **Cordoba:**
Coliseo El Mexicano - Training Court A

- **Cordoba:**
Training Court A, Court B and Court C

2.5 Accommodation, Meals and Internal Transportation

Accommodation, meals and internal transportation for Participating Teams, Control Committee and Referees will be covered by the XXII Central American and Caribbean Games Organizing Committee, COVER 2014 from November 8-21, 2014.

a) Cordoba Team Hotel:

- **Hotel Fortin de las Flores.**
Ciudad de Cordoba

b) Cordoba Officials Hotels:

- **Confort Inn.**
Ciudad de Cordoba

c) **Meal Services**

Participating teams, members of the Control Committee, Referees and Officials will receive their meals in the official hotel designated for their accommodation.

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 **XXII Central American & Caribbean 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 NORCECA and 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 XXII Central American & Caribbean Games, the Organizing Committee, COVER 2014 must guarantee, through the corresponding governmental authorities, the entry VISA that will permit the entry into Mexico of the participating team members registered in the FIVB 0-2 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
November 8, 2014	Arrival of Control Committee Members. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• All Day
November 9, 2014	Arrival of Control Committee Members. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 16:00 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.• 18:00 Control Committee and Organizing Committee meeting to be held at the Official Hotel or at the Cordoba Volleyball Arena.
November 10, 2014	Inspection of training and competition venues. <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.• 18:00 Control Committee and Organizing Committee meeting to be held at the Official Hotel, or at the Cordoba Volleyball Arena.

November 11, 2014

Arrival of Referees, Officials and Participating Teams.

- **10:00** third 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.**
- **18:00** Control Committee and Organizing Committee meeting to be held at the Official Hotel, or at the Cordoba Volleyball Arena.

November 12, 2014

Arrival of Referees, Officials and Participating Teams.

- **10:00** fourth inspection visit, if necessary, 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.**
- **All Day, Preliminary Inquiry of participating teams according to their arrival itinerary/schedule at the teams' Cordoba Volleyball Arena.**
- **18:00** Control Committee and Organizing Committee meeting to be held at the Official Hotel, or at the Cordoba Volleyball Arena.

November 13, 2014

Preliminary Inquiry 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.**
- **All Day, Preliminary Inquiry of participating teams according to the schedule at the teams' Cordoba Volleyball Arena.**
- **18:00** Control Committee and Organizing Committee meeting to be held at the Official Hotel, or at the Cordoba Volleyball Arena.

November 14, 2014

- **09:00-12:30** Preliminary Inquiry for participating teams at the Cordoba Volleyball Arena, according to schedule.

- **08:00-19:00** Training of Participating Teams (see shecdule).
- **14:00-17:00** Practical Clinic for Referees, Scorekeepers, Line Judges, VIS and support personnel, to be held at the Competition Hall.
- **18:00** Control Committee and Organizing Committee meeting to be held at the Official Hotel.
- **20:00** General Technical Meeting

November 15, 2014

Day 1 - Competition

Preliminary Round Matches (refer to the Official Competition Format).

The time schedule and daily order of the matches will be decided in accordance with the host National Federation, taking into consideration the TV transmission schedule.

November 16, 2014

Day 2 - Competition

Preliminary Round Matches (refer to the Official Competition Format).

The time schedule and daily order of the matches will be decided in accordance with the host National Federation, taking into consideration the TV transmission schedule.

November 17, 2014

Day 3 - Competition

Preliminary Round Matches (refer to the Official Competition Format).

The time schedule and daily order of the matches will be decided in accordance with the host National Federation, taking into consideration the TV transmission schedule.

November 18, 2014

Day 4 – Quarterfinals

(Refer to the Official Competition Format)

The time schedule and daily order of the matches will be decided in accordance with the host National Federation, taking into consideration the TV transmission schedule.

November 19, 2014

Day 5 – Semifinal & Qualification Round

(Refer to the Official Competition Format)

The time schedule and daily order of the matches will be decided in accordance with the host National Federation, taking into consideration the TV transmission schedule.

November 20, 2014

Day 6 – Competition Finals

(Refer to the Official Competition Format)

The time schedule and daily order of the matches will be decided in accordance with the host National Federation, taking into consideration the TV transmission schedule, except for the Bronze Medal and Gold Medal Championship matches of the tournament, which must be the last two matches, first the Bronze and finally the Gold Medal Match, scheduled to conclude the tournament.

November 21, 2014 Departure of Control Committee members, Referees and participating teams.

5. Participating Teams & Delegation Composition

5.1 A maximum of eight (8) teams are qualified to participate in the **XXII Central American and Caribbean Games , Veracruz, 2014**. The qualified teams are the Host Country (1), the top 8 teams in the Norceca ranking in addition to the two South American Countries affiliated to **CACSO**:

Mexico	Republica Dominicana
Cuba	Venezuela
Trinidad & Tobago	Colombia
Costa Rica	Puerto Rico

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

5.2 Team Composition

Each team delegation will be composed of a maximum of 20 persons, consisting of:

- Twelve (12) Players
- Four (4) Officials (One Team Manager, One Head Coach and Two Assistant Coaches/Athletic Trainers)
- One (1) Doctor (FIVB accredited)
- One (1) Physiotherapist (FIVB accredited)
- One (1) Sports Journalist or Team Statistician (FIVB, NORCECA or CSV accredited)
- One (1) Referee (FIVB, International FIVB Referee, or Continental Referee) to be approved and designated by NORCECA and the Pan American Volleyball Union President

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 registers 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 XXII Central American and Caribbean Games, Veracruz , 2014. The names of these persons should be submitted in advance to NORCECA.

6. **Player's Eligibility**

6.1 **The eligibility of participating players in the women competition of the XXII Central American and Caribbean Games , Veracruz 2014;** participating 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. Team Managers must submit, for control and database purposes, color copies of the National Team players' passports (provided on CD or paper color copy) during the Team Preliminary Inquiry.

6.2 The passports of all players and ID Credential provided by COVER 2014, 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 will consist of submitting the FIVB O-2 Form to NORCECA before the established deadline. The O-2 form may contain up to 25 athletes, and no declaration of Captain or Libero(s) is required. No substitutions or changes of athletes are permitted after the submission of the O-2 Form. The final list of 12 participating athletes on the O-2bis Form must be constituted from among the 25 players listed in the O-2 Form.

The O-2 Form submission must be completed online (www.fivb.org/vis/login.aspx) for the implementation of the FIVB Live Score system (O-2 VIS). A printed copy of the completed form must be sent to the NORCECA Sport Events Department prior to the established deadline of

the event. If you require assistance, please visit the webpage above or contact the FIVB VIS Webmaster.

7.2 A copy of the FIVB O-2 Form, one (1) team photo and individual photos (size 2x2) of all members of each participating team delegation (players, officials, doctors, journalists and referees) must be remitted by email to the NORCECA Sport Events Department (norcecasportevents@gmail.com) prior to the established deadline.

7.3 Player Final Registration (FIVB O-2 bis Form)

During the Preliminary Inquiry, the Team Manager must submit, to the Control Committee, the FIVB O-2 bis Form with a maximum of 12 players (comprised only of the players registered in the O-2 form). In the case that the FIVB O-2 bis Form is not provided to the Control Committee, the first 12 players in the FIVB O-2 Form will constitute the team.

8. Official Rules, Ball & Uniforms

8.1 The XXII Central American and Caribbean Games Women Volleyball Competition will be played under the current FIVB Rules of the Game 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

The official competition game ball will be the **Molten V5M-5000**. The Pan American Volleyball Union/NORCECA will provide to the XXII Central American and Caribbean Games Organizing Committee, COVER 2014 a total of fifty (50) **Molten V5M-5000** volleyballs.

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 three (3) sets of playing uniforms of different colors, one of which should be based white in color. The team Captain and Libero uniforms should be presented at the Preliminary Inquiry for Control Committee inspection. The player's names and numbers on the uniforms must be the same as on the FIVB O-2 and O-2 bis Forms.

8.4 Publicity on Uniforms

Publicity on player's uniforms must be authorized by CACSO, the XXII Central American and Caribbean Games Organizing Committee, COVER 2014 and approved by NORCECA/PVU previous to completion of the publicity uniform form and in accordance with the FIVB/Norceca 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.

8.5 **Dress Code for Officials on the Bench**

All Officials on the bench (**maximum of five officials on the bench**) must be uniformed according to the dress code of the current FIVB Sport Regulations. Those Officials that do not comply with the dress code established will not be allowed to sit on the bench.

9. **Competition Format and Team Distribution**

9.1 The XXII Central American and Caribbean Games will be played under one of the following competition formats:

- a) With eight (8) teams, two (2) groups of four (4) teams each will be formed.
- b) With seven (7) teams, two (2) groups will be formed: one (1) of four (4) teams and one (1) of three (3) teams.
- c) With six (6) teams, two (2) groups of three (3) teams each will be formed.
- d) With five (5) teams, a Round Robin will be played. The first four (4) teams ranked in the Preliminary Round will advance to compete in the Semifinal Round. (1st vs 4th and 2nd vs 3rd). Winners of the Semifinal Round will play a match to determine the Champion and Vice-Champion. The losers of the Semifinal Round will play one match to determine the 3rd and 4th place.
- e) With four (4) teams, a Round Robin will be played. All teams will advance to compete in the Semifinal Round. (1st vs 4th and 2nd vs 3rd). Winners of the Semifinal Round will play a match to determine the Champion and Vice-Champion. The losers of the Semifinal Round will play one match to determine the 3rd and 4th place.

NOTE: The official competition format of the event will determine the distribution of teams, according to their FIVB World Ranking, in the Preliminary Rounds, Classification Rounds, Quarterfinal Round, Semifinal Round and Final Round. No changes to the official competition format of the event will be permitted after it has been determined and approved by Norceca and the Pan American Volleyball Union.

9.2 **Classification, Quarterfinal and Semifinal Rounds**

For the Classification, Quarterfinal, and Semifinal Rounds, according to the FIVB General Competition Regulations, it must be avoided that teams from the same group play each other as established in the competition format.

9.3 According to the established competition format and the FIVB General Regulations, for the Classification, Quarterfinal, and Semifinal Rounds, if three teams from the same group qualify, the match between the highest ranked team and the lowest ranked team of their Preliminary Round will be repeated.

9.4 **Round Robin Ranking**

To establish the ranking of teams after Preliminary Round, the ranking of the teams will be determined as follows:

1. By the results of matches won and lost.
2. In case of equality in the number of matches won and lost, among two or more teams of the same group, the final ranking of the teams will be determined by the number of points gained among teams of the same group during the Preliminary Round.
3. The following points will be awarded to each team per match, according to the number of sets won/lost:

Match won 3-0 = 5 points	Match lost 0-3 = 0 point
Match won 3-1 = 4 points	Match lost 1-3 = 1 points
Match won 3-2 = 3 points	Match lost 2-3 = 2 points
Match forfeited = 0 points (25-0, 25-0, 25-0)	

9.5 **Tie Breaking Procedure**

In case of equality in the number of points gained by two or more teams, the tie will be broken by the points ratio with the following criteria, in order of importance:

- A) **Point Quotient:** In case of equality in the number of points gained by two or several teams they will be classified in descending order by the quotient resulting from the division of all points scored by the total of points lost.

- B) **Set Quotient:** If the tie persists as per the points quotient the teams will be classified in descending order by the quotient resulting from the division of the number of all sets won by the number of all sets lost.
- C) **If the tie continues as per the set quotient between two teams,** the priority will be given to the team which won the last match between them.
- D) **When the tie is between three or more teams** a new classification of these teams will be made taking into consideration only the matches in which they were opposed to each other.

9.6 Team Distribution

For the XXII Central American and Caribbean Games Organizing Committee, COVER 2014, teams will be distributed according to their position in the FIVB Senior Women's Ranking as of January 1, 2014, using the Serpentine system for their distribution.

10. Rights of the Host Country

- 10.1 The host country has the right to choose the group for the positioning of their National Team. The remaining teams will be distributed using the Serpentine System in accordance with their position in the FIVB World Ranking (as of January 1, 2014), starting with the highest ranking team as head of Group A or B. The host country has the right to choose one (1) match in the Competition Schedule of the Preliminary Round.
- 10.2 Once the Preliminary, Classification, Quarterfinals, Semifinal and Final Rounds matches are established, the XXII Central American and Caribbean Games Organizing Committee, COVER 2014 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.
- 10.2 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 XXII Central American and Caribbean Games Organizing Committee, COVER 2014:
 - a) **Internal Transportation, lodging, and meals** for Control Committee, Referees and Team Delegations, from the date of arrival to date of departure.

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).

c) **Payment of Per Diem** to Control Committee Members, Technical, Support Staff and Referees, according to what has been established by NORCECA and the PVU in the Memorandum of Understanding, MOU, as follows:

- **US\$155.00** (One Hundred Fifty Five Dollars) per day, two days before and one day after the competition for the Members of Control Committee, Medical Delegate, Venue Operation Manager, Members of the Appeal and Referee Sub-Commissions and the official Photographer, according to the established Regulations.

- **US\$180.00** (One Hundred and Eighty Dollars) per day, two days before and one day after the competition for the Control Committee President, Competition Director, Press Delegate, and VIS Delegate.

- **US\$155.00** (One Hundred Fifty Five Dollars) per day, two days before and one day after the competition to be paid to the FIVB International Referees or Continental Referees per participating team. Maximum participating Referees is ten (10) which includes the participating team Referees, neutral and reserved local Referees.

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 XXII Central American and Caribbean Games Organizing Committee, COVER 2014 or the Mexican National Volleyball Federation with the person contracted for the required services.

- d) The XXII Central American and Caribbean Games Organizing Committee, COVER 2014 must cover the following financial responsibilities toward the NORCECA Volleyball Confederation:

Air Fare: (economical class) for Control Committee Members and Technical Staff and one (1) Neutral Referee (as needed) as outlined in the Memorandum of Understanding, MOU. .

Event Tickets: the XXII Central American and Caribbean Games Organizing Committee, COVER 2014 must provide to Norceca/Pan American Volleyball Union fifteen (15) VIP tickets & thirty-five (35) General Admission tickets per match and/or per day of competition, in case that the event tickets are valid for each day of competition, as established in the Memorandum of Understanding, MOU.

11.2 The following are the responsibilities for participating National Federations:

- a) To remit a letter confirming the participation of their National Team to NORCECA and the host National Federation before the established deadline.
- b) Remit together with a copy of the FIVB O-2 Form, one (1) team photo and individual photos (size 2x2) of all members of each participating team delegation (players, officials, doctors, journalists and referees) by email before the established deadline.
- c) Be responsible, together with their National Olympic Committee for all other additional expenses of their delegation that may apply.
- d) Payment of international transportation, as well as visa fees, and airport taxes.
- e) To present the following documents during the Preliminary Inquiry:
 - FIVB O-2 VIS Form
 - FIVB O-2 bis Form (hard copy and the online VIS copy)
 - FIVB M-3 form
 - NORCECA L-1 Form
 - FIVB M-8 (if necessary)
 - NORCECA Publicity Form and publicity certificate approved by CACSO (if necessary)
 - Original passports of all players
 - Players ID Card official Accreditation
 - Color copy of all players' passports (provided on a CD)
 - Country National Anthem
 - Captain & Libero Uniforms

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 Article 9 of the FIVB 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 Rules of the Game) must be resolved by the acting Control Committee of the match where the violation of the Rules of the Game has been verified. The procedure must be in accordance with the FIVB Sports Regulation (**Judges Conference**). Violation of the Rules of the Game must be claimed by the affected team, during the development of the match in course and must be resolved during the match by the Control Committee.
- 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 FIVB O-2 Form and the O-2 VIS online registration 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). Also, teams presenting less than the mandatory three (3) sets of uniforms, as established in Article 8.3 above of these regulations, will be sanctioned with a USD\$1,000.00 fine for each set of uniforms not presented.

- c) All sanctions established by the FIVB Constitution, Code of Conduct, Administrative, Financial, Sport, General Regulations and Complementary Statutes would be applicable.
- d) The none fulfillment of Article 11.2, a), b), c), d) and e), above, will apply a fine of USD\$500.00 in each case as foreseen.

13. Referees

13.1 It is mandatory that each participating National Federation propose one (1) Referee from one of the following categories:

- a) FIVB
- b) FIVB International Referee
- c) FIVB Continental Referee

13.2 The NORCECA and the PVU President, with the advice of the NORCECA and CSV Refereeing Commission Presidents, will evaluate (for approval) the proposal of the Referees presented by each participating National Federation.

13.3 Other Officials

13.3.1 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 NORCECA and PVU President or his Representative and must be composed by 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, Sport Organizing, Technical, Refereeing, VIS, Press and Medical Commissions of their Confederations.

13.3.2 Line Judges, Scorekeepers, Statisticians, VIS, Ball Retrievers, Sweepers, Scoreboard Operators, Announcers and other supporting personnel shall be presented by the representative of the XXII Central American and Caribbean Games Organizing Committee, COVER 2014, and /or the Mexican National Volleyball Federation to the Control Committee President and/or his/her Representative for approval.

13.3.3 The XXII Central American and Caribbean Games Organizing Committee, COVER 2014 and the Mexican National Federation will present these personnel to the Control Committee during the Refereeing Clinic for evaluation and approval.

13.3.4 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 XXII Central American and Caribbean Games Organizing Committee, COVER 2014, must provide training facilities with appropriate conditions for the daily training of the participating teams, for at least 1.5 hours, from their arrival until the end of the competition. The minimum recovery time between competition matches and training sessions of participating teams is five (5) hours.

14.2 Each team will have a minimum of one training session of 1.5 hours in the official competition venue playing court prior to the event.

15. Security

The Organizing Committee of the XXII Central American and Caribbean Games Organizing Committee, COVER 2014 must guarantee the security of all participating team delegations members, from their arrival until their departure, including in the hotel, main competition venues, training venues, during official matches as well as during their internal transportation.

16. Accreditation

The XXII Central American and Caribbean Games Organizing Committee, COVER 2014, must provide the corresponding accreditation to all participating teams delegation members through their corresponding National Olympic Committee, NOC. In addition, NORCECA 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 Central American and Caribbean Sport Organization, CACSO.

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 XXII Central American and

Caribbean Games, COVER 2014, 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/CACSO and will be performed according to the WADA/FIVB protocol. Anti-Doping test may be performed 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

18.1 Individual Awards

The Control Committee will present individual awards to the following players based solely on the final results of the Volleyball Information System (VIS). The awards to be presented are:

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| Two Best Spiker | Best Digger |
| Two Best Blocker | Best Setter |
| Best Receiver | Best Libero |
| Best Server | Best Scorer |
| Most Valuable Player (MVP) | Best Opposite |

18.2 Best Spikers (OH);

The best two spikers must be awarded from among the Position 4 (P4) players, previously declared as spikers.

18.3 Best Blockers (MB)

The best two blockers must be awarded from among the previously declared middle blocker players.

18.4 Best Defense, Service, Reception and Scorer

The best defense, best service, best reception and best scorer (the player who registers more points in attack, serve and block during the competition) must be selected the best in each individual performance no matter the position the players occupy in the court or the position at which the player was previously declared during her Team Preliminary Inquiry.

18.5 Libero Player

The Libero players will compete among each other for the best Libero award of the event. Additionally the Libero players will be eligible for the Best Digger and Best Receiver awards of the event. If a Libero player obtains two of the three above indicated awards according to the final results of the Volleyball Information System (VIS) and her team is the Champion Medal Gold Team of the event, she is eligible for the Most Valuable Player Award (MVP) of the event.

18.6 Opposite Player (OP)

The best opposite player will be selected from among the previously declared opposite players. If the best opposite player results to be the Most Valuable Player (MVP), resulting her team as Gold Medal Champion of the event, the next best opposite player will receive the Best Opposite Award no matter the team she belongs to.

18.7 Setter Players

The Setter players will compete among each other for the Best Setter Award of the event. Additionally, the Setter players will be eligible for Most Valuable Player Award (MVP) of the event, if she obtains the Best Setter Award of the event, her team is the Champion Gold Medal Team of the event and registers a minimum average of 5.0 per set, according to the final results of the Volleyball Information System (VIS).

18.8 Most Valuable Player (MVP)

The Most Valuable Player Award (MVP) will be awarded to the player that from among the Champion Gold Medal Team of the event registers the highest amount of points scored and accumulated in Attack, Block and Serve during the competition, according to the final results of the Volleyball Information System (VIS). In addition, the Setter players will be eligible for Most Valuable Player Award (MVP) of the event as outlined in Article 18.7 above.

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