



PANAM AQUATICS U19 WATER POLO CHAMPIONSHIPS SAN SALVADOR 2024

SUMMONS

Qualifying event for the 2025 U-20 World Championship

May 20 – 26, 2024

Hosted by:

**Federación Salvadoreña de Natación
El Salvador, San Salvador**



La Federación Salvadoreña de Natación is pleased to invite your Federation to participate in the PanAm Aquatics U19 Water Polo Championships San Salvador 2024, May 19-27, 2024 at Polideportivo Ciudad Merliot.

PARTICIPATING TEAMS:

There can be a maximum of 16 teams in each category, men and women, representing the five zones of the Americas. Teams will be composed of athletes **born in 2005 or later**. The participating teams at the Pan American Junior Water Polo Championship will include: the host team, one team from zones IV and V; and teams selected by rotation between Zone III, II and I (in that order) until the maximum of sixteen (16) teams is achieved.

The teams qualifying for these Championships are as follows:

a. ZONE I – CONSANAT

- **Men:** Seven (7) teams to be nominated in order of results at the CONSANAT Championships
- **Women:** Seven (7) teams to be nominated in order of results at the CONSANAT Championships

b. ZONE II-III – Operating within CCCAN

- **Men:** Six (6) teams plus the host to be nominated in order of results at the corresponding Championships
- **Women:** Six (6) teams plus the host to be nominated in order of results at the corresponding Championships.

c. ZONE IV – United States

- **Men:** United States
- **Women:** United States

d. ZONE V - Canada

- **Men:** Canada
- **Women:** Canada

These Championships are the qualifying event for the 2025 Junior World Championships for Men and Women in Croatia and Thailand respectively. The number of teams qualifying for the Junior World Championships will be determined at a later day by AQUA.

EVENT ORGANIZATION

The organizing committee information:

Luis Araujo - Chairperson

Armando Abrego - Venue Coordinator

Marcela Lemus - Accommodations Coordinator

Andrea Pineda - Protocol and Ceremony Coordinator

Genesis Granadeño - Local Transport Coordinator

Luis Araujo - Delegations Coordinator

Karina Mejia - Payments and Charges Manager

General email for the OC: Fedenat.fsn@gmail.com

Website for the event: <https://fedenatfsn.com/>

KEY DATES

Preliminary team entry deadline	February 22
“Long list” entry deadline (maximum 25 athletes)	April 1
Hotel booking form deadline	April 1
50% Down payment on lodging and food	April 1
Final entry deadline (maximum 15 athletes)	April 23
Team arrival/departure form deadline	May 15
Full payment of lodging and food	May 15
Arrival of Delegations	May 19
Deadline for late replacements, subject for approval (medical reasons)	May 19, 18:00
Technical Meeting	May 20, 18:00
Competition Dates	May 20 - 26
Closing Ceremony	May 26
Departure of Delegations	May 27

DETAILED SCHEDULE AND COMPETITION PROGRAM

May 19		Arrival and training
May 20	8:00	Training
May 20	18:00	Technical Meeting
May 21	8:00	First day of competition and Opening Ceremony
May 22	8:00	Second Day of Competition
May 23	8:00	Third Day of Competition
May 24	8:00	Fourth Day of Competition
May 25	8:00	Fifth Day of Competition
May 26	8:00	Final Day of Competition
May 27		Departure

TRAINING VENUE & SCHEDULE

The OC will organize training sessions in the main competition venue starting May 19 at Polideportivo Ciudad Merliot.

- AM: 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM
- PM: 1:00 PM – 6:00 PM

IMPORTANT: For all those teams arriving earlier than May 19, the OC will provide training options under previous request. Therefore, if your team is planning to arrive earlier than May 19, please contact the OC with your training plans and request so they can organize the training accordingly.

Technical Meeting

- The technical meeting will take place on May 20 at 18:00, at the INDES Hotel. All team's delegates and referees must be present at the Technical Meeting with the official team roster and player's passports. The PanAm Aquatics Water Polo Chairperson will lead the meeting, which will be conducted in English and with translation in Spanish.
- The Referee Meeting will take place immediately after the Technical Meeting.

Competition Venue

- Polideportivo Ciudad Merliot, Final Col. La Sabana N2 Polideportivo de Ciudad Merliot La Libertad, El Salvador. Venue of the 2023 Central American and Caribbean Games.
- The field of play for both genders (men and women) will be 25 m length.

Equipment

- Colorado Timing System will be utilized.
- The official playing ball shall comply with all the requirements of AQUA regulations.
- Teams must bring their own playing caps for the games, in compliance with AQUA regulations.

Entry Rules

- The PanAm Water Polo Championships are open to entries from competitors in good standing with their National Federations who are members of PanAm Aquatics and AQUA.
 - The athlete must be a citizen, whether through birth or naturalization, of the country being represented, according to the GR-2.5 Rule of AQUA.
 - Each PanAm Aquatics Federation will be allowed to enter fifteen (15) players per team.
 - *Juniors* are Water Polo players ages 19 and under. The minimum age for a Junior Water Polo player is 15. Age is determined as of December 31, 2024
 - Teams will be composed of athletes born in 2005 or later.

Competition Format

- For the events of the different categories to be recognized as “Championship”, there must be competitors from at least two (2) different countries. If there are not at least two (2) countries participating in an event, the organizing committee shall advise the President of PanAm Aquatics of the elimination of such event no later April 1, 2024.
- The competition format will be based on the number of participating countries.
- The countries can bring up to fifteen (15) players. Caps have to be numbered 1-15 with 1 and 13 red colors.
- Teams will be able to change their 11 field players no later than 8:00 PM the night before the next day’s games. Every team MUST have two goalkeepers on their 13-player daily roster.

Awards

- All registered players in the teams arriving in the first three positions of the final standing of the Championships for each category (men and women), will receive medals in gold, silver, and bronze colors.
- Most valuable players will be selected by PanAm Aquatics Water Polo Committee for each category (men and women).
- Best goalies will be selected by PanAm Aquatics Water Polo Committee for each category (men and women).
- Best scorer will be determined based on the statistics provided by Deporte Virtual for each category (men and women).
- All competitors shall receive a certificate in recognition of their participation.

Clothing and Equipment

- Clothing and equipment used by athletes and other participants in the Championships must comply with the documents listed in the AQUA Competition Rules available at aqua.org. This includes the rules that concern advertisements.

Anti – Doping

- During the competition, anti-doping control tests may be conducted, according to the control rules established by AQUA.

Protests

- Protests will be resolved under [AQUA Competition Rule 13](#).
- Protests must be submitted to the WPC Game Delegate in writing by the team leader, with a deposit of US\$100, within 30 minutes following the conclusion of the respective game.
- All protests will be considered by the WPC.
- The commission will consider appeals against decisions by the WPC and give recommendations to the jury of appeal, whose decision will be final.

Jury of Appeal

- For the Championships, the jury of appeal shall consist of a minimum of three persons and will be comprised of the PanAm Aquatics Executive Committee and PanAm Aquatics Honorary Members present and the AQUA Delegate (if present) with the PanAm Aquatics President or in his or her absence a PanAm Aquatics Vice-President and/or PanAm Aquatics Executive Liaison for Water Polo as chairperson.
- A jury member will be allowed to speak, but not to vote, on a case in which the interest of his/her PanAm Aquatics Federation is involved. Technical Officials and Judges for Water Polo shall not be entitled to form part of the jury.
- In case of urgency, the jury may vote on a matter even if it has not been possible to contact all members.
- The decision of the jury will be final.

Technical Officials

- All PanAm Aquatics affiliated Federations, regardless of their participation or not in these Championships, are welcome to send one referee to officiate in this tournament. Participating Federations must send at least one referee. The PanAm Aquatics Water Polo Committee can use them in any of the games and in any gender. The country that registers a team and does not bring a referee will be fined US \$2,500.00 in accordance with PanAm Aquatics regulations. All technical officials are expected to cover their travel and accommodation expenses.

Technical officials will be appointed under AQUA Water Polo Rules 2021-2025 and will comprise of:

- 2 Referees, 2 Goal Judges, Timekeepers, Secretaries, and Video Assistant Referee.

DELEGATIONS

Registration

- All National Federation registrations and sport entries must be done through the PanAm Aquatics General Management System (GMS) <https://sistemasansalvador2024.panamaquaticsevents.com/login/en>. Each national federation must complete their registrations before the designated deadlines. In the interest of providing the Organizing Committee with optimal time to make hotel, meal, transportation, and other logistical arrangements, please submit your registration at your earliest convenience.
- Entries will be accepted until midnight April 1, 2024.

Team Officials

- The Organizing Committee will guarantee room and board to a maximum of 20 persons for each team delegation in each category, men and women. Each delegation shall consist of 15 players and 5 supporting personnel, one of which must be a referee.

Accreditation

- The Organizing Committee will provide all Athletes and Team Staff with an official Accreditation card. Only accredited people will be allowed to access certain venue areas. All accredited people are requested to always carry their Accreditation Cards with them and to show them upon request. Team managers will be required to present photographic identification for all team members to collect the Accreditation cards.

Entry Fee

- Entry fee per team: USD \$450.00

Host Hotels for Teams

- Hotel Courtyard by Marriott San Salvador
- **Address:** Centro de Estilo de Vida La Gran Via, Esquina Calle 2 y, San Salvador
- **Phone:** 2249 3000
- <https://www.marriott.com/es/hotels/salcy-courtyard-san-salvador/overview/>

Host Hotel for Referees

- Fairfield by Marriott San Salvador
- **Address:** Calle 2, Contiguo A Centro Comercial Centro de Estilo de Vida La
- **Phone:** 2529 2200
- <https://www.marriott.com/es/hotels/salcy-courtyard-san-salvador/overview/>

Single	US\$	225.00	per day and per person	King bed (200 x 190 cm)
Double	US\$	180.00	per day and per person	2 queen beds (150 x 190 cm)
Triple	US\$	145.00	per day and per person	2 queen beds (150 x 190 cm)*
Quadruple	US\$	125.00	per day and per person	2 queen beds (150 x 190 cm)*

* It implies sharing beds.

- The special competition daily fee includes:
 - Transportation to and from the airport and host hotel.
 - Transportation to and from the official venue and host hotel.
 - Three meals daily starting with dinner on May 19, 2024, and ending with breakfast on May 27, 2024
 - Hotel accommodations
 - Transportation between the training and competition venues and the hotel
 - The special competition daily fee listed above is limited to the official delegation and is depended **upon the down payment deadline, April 1, 2024, and final payment deadline May 15, 2024. After those dates, the OC will not be able to guarantee availability of rooms, and the rates will increase by 30%.**
- A fee of \$100.00 USD per person per day will be applied to those who do not wish to use the hotel site of the Championships, and transportation to and from the airport, and to and from the competition and training venues will not be provided.

Bank Information for Payments

BANCO AGRICOLA, S.A.
Boulevard Constitución No.100
San Salvador, El Salvador, C.A.
SWIFT CODE: CAGRSVSS

TO CREDIT ACCOUNT No. 564-000791-7
TO: FEDERACIÓN SALVADOREÑA DE NATACIÓN
TELEPHONE: 2278-8316

Airports

- El Salvador International Airport Saint Óscar Arnulfo Romero y Galdámez (SAL) is the official port of entry for the event. It is located within 45 miles from the hotel. The Organizing Committee will provide airport transfers to and from the meet hotel upon arrival and departure.

Visa Support

- If your team requires a visa for entry in El Salvador, San Salvador, please notify the Organizing Committee and copy office@panamaquatics.com and we will work to create an invitation letter to be presented to your Embassy/Consulate to assist in the visa process. Please send a list of all travelers with Full Name, Passport Number, Date of Birth, Gender, Nationality, and Role within the delegation.

Medical Care

- As a reminder, all Federations MUST carry their own travel and health insurance. The OC will provide First Aid Personnel at the competition pool. All Federations must take full responsibility for any other needed medical expenses, including all costs related to COVID testing.

Information Desk

- Each Official Hotel will have an Information Desk where all the information will be provided, and where the accreditations will be delivered. Information Desk Schedule: 7am to 7pm.

Weather

- With an **average high of 88°F (31°C) and a low of 75°F (24°C)**, it generally feels very warm and muggy. There might also be a good chance of rain.

Clinics

- PanAm Aquatics, in collaboration with the Water Polo Committee and Executive Director and OC/NF, will assist in hosting a coach's, official's and athlete's clinic on May 19-20.