

2019 WESTERN CANADA SUMMER GAMES BEACH VOLLEYBALL TECHNICAL PACKAGE

Every Games' coach, manager, Sport Chairperson and Mission staff has an obligation to read and understand every aspect of the Technical Package. Failure to do so could cost an athlete his or her eligibility for the Games as well as affect final standings or the conduct of the competition. If someone does not understand an aspect of a Technical Package, he or she is to seek clarification from the Technical Committee of the Western Canada Games Council through his or her Chef de Mission or Provincial/Territorial Sport Organization.

Technical Packages are developed primarily by the Western Canada Games Technical Committee in conjunction with the various Provincial/Territorial Sport Organizations, following principles, guidelines and requirements of the Western Canada Games Council. As the overall governing body of the Games, the Council has the ultimate authority for Technical Packages.

If an individual wishes to initiate a change to a Technical Package leading up to a Games, the desired change should be first directed to the Provincial/Territorial Sport Organization or the Chef de Mission. The P/TSO or Chef will evaluate the merits of the change and will, if it has merit, submit the requested change to the Technical Committee of the Western Canada Games Council. The P/TSO or Chef will submit the rationale for the change. Changes to age groups, eligibility requirements, team sizes or staff complements will not be considered after three years prior to the Games. Substantive changes to events or competition formats will not be considered after 18 months before the Games. Minor corrections will be considered at almost any time, but will be increasingly difficult to achieve within six months of the Games. Changes made by the NSO's regarding WCSG alignment to the Canada Games will not be considered after April 1, 2018. These time frames reinforce the importance of complete understanding of the Technical Package early.

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**2019 WESTERN CANADA SUMMER GAMES
ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY**

1. The Western Canada Summer Games are open to Canadian citizens and landed immigrants.
2. The Games are open to athletes who are members in good standing of their provincial/territorial and/or national sport organization.
3. An athlete's permanent domicile or actual residence must be located, for at least 180 days prior to the opening of the Games, within the recognized boundaries of the province or territory they are representing. An athlete can have only one domicile.
4. Students attending school on a full-time basis outside their province/territory of permanent residence during the year of the Games shall be permitted to compete for either their province/territory of permanent residence or the province/territory in which the athlete attends school. To be eligible to compete for the province/territory where the athlete attends school, the student must be enrolled on a full-time basis during the academic year preceding the Games.
5. If a non-student athlete attends a recognized national training centre outside his or her province/territory of permanent residence, the athlete is encouraged to represent his or her province/territory of permanent residence; however, the athlete could represent the province/territory where the centre is located under the terms of paragraph (6), below.
6. Exceptions to the domicile requirement will be possible if the athlete can demonstrate a commitment to the province/territory she or he wishes to represent by such means as having been a member of a club or provincial/territorial sport organization in that province/territory for the entire previous competitive season, having represented that province or territory at a previous national or regional championship or having attended school full-time the previous academic year or a recognized national training centre full-time during the previous 12 months. Other similar circumstances may be considered.
7. Competitors must meet all eligibility requirements outlined in the Technical Package.
8. An athlete is permitted to try out for only one province or territory per Games.
9. An athlete may participate in more than one sport, provided the sports occur in different phases of the Games.
10. The Technical Committee of the Council shall determine the eligibility of any athlete that is not clearly established by these rules and by the Technical Package. **Coaches or PSOs/TSOs must bring forward any cases in question to their Chef de Mission as early as possible before the competition for forwarding to the Technical Committee.**
11. Where a team/province/territory/Chef wishes to challenge the eligibility of an athlete on another provincial/territorial team, it is expected that such a challenge will be made as soon as the protesting team knows that an athlete may be ineligible. Every effort must be made to ensure that protests on eligibility are lodged before an athlete competes.

Summary of Draft Changes to Technical Package

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April 24, 2017	2.0 Participant numbers revised from original application.2 teams from each Prov/Terr.	Sport tech	Approved

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1. Sport: **BEACH VOLLEYBALL**

2. Participants:

2.1 **Competitors:** 4 male athletes
4 female athletes
Each Province/Territory will be allowed 2 male and 2 female teams

2.2 **Staff:** 2 coaches (one must be female and one male)

3. Classifications:

3.1 **Year of Birth:** Born in 2001 or later (18 and under as of 12/31/19)

4. Eligibility:

4.1 **Athletes:** Must be members in good standing with their Provincial/Territory Volleyball Association.

All athletes must meet the Western Canada Games eligibility criteria, as outlined in Appendix 1 which forms an integral part of this Technical Package.

4.2 **Coaches:** Any staff listed as Head Coach on the official registration form must be fully certified under the National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP) at the Advanced Development Coach level.

Coaching certification must be completed no later than ninety (90) days before the opening of the Games.

As a coach of a Provincial/Territory team, you will be volunteering with children, who are vulnerable members of our society, therefore all coaches and managers are required to undergo a Criminal Record Check and a Vulnerable Sector Check.

4.3 **Exclusions:** None

5. Competition:

5.1 **Rules:**

The most current official rules of Volleyball Canada for domestic competition will govern the completion.

5.2 **Sanction:**

The competition is sanctioned by Volleyball Canada.

5.3 **Equipment:**

The game ball will be the MIKASA VLS300.

5.4 **Event format:**

5.4.1 Round robin to determine placing for medal round.

5.4.2 All matches will be best two (2) of three (3) sets.

5.4.3 To win a set: A set, except the deciding third set, is won by the team that scores 21 points via rally point scoring and with a minimum lead of two (2) points, no cap.

5.4.4 To win a match: The match is won by the team who wins two sets. In the case of a 1-1 tie, the deciding set (3rd) is played to 15 points, with a minimum lead of two (2) points, no cap, via rally score.

5.4.5 The scoring procedure for the non-play off matches will be:
Win – 2 points
Loss – 0 points

5.4.6 Teams:

Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Northwest Territories,
Yukon, Nunavut – 2 teams per gender.

5.4.7 The tournament format will allow for a minimum of 3 round robin matches plus a full round of play offs.

6. Seeding:

The seeding will be based on the results of the 2015 Western Canada Games.

Male

1st AB
2nd BC
3rd SK
4th MB
5th NWT
6th YK

Female

1st BC
2nd AB
3rd MB
4th SK
5th NWT

B.C. will be dropped out of the seeding and the teams seeded below them will move up one seeding position.

7. Tie Breaking Procedure:

7.1 As per Volleyball Canada rulebook.

8. Sport Protest Procedure:

8.1 As per Volleyball Canada rulebook.

8.2 All protests shall be filed in accordance with the Western Canada Games procedures, which are attached as appendix 1 and form an integral part of this Technical Package.

9. Competition Uniform:

9.1 Provincial colours must be worn and all competitive uniforms must be in accordance with Volleyball Canada rules and regulations.

10. Provincial/Territory Rankings:

10.1 For an event to be eligible for Provincial/Territorial points, three or more provinces/territories must participate.

10.2 Once the scoring procedure for the sport determines a winner, points for the aggregate award will be as follows:

1 st place – 9 points	5 th place – 5 points
2 nd place – 8 points	6 th place – 4 points
3 rd place – 7 points	7 th place – 3 points
4 th place – 6 points	8 th place – 2 points
	9 th place – 1 point

Final Provincial/Territory point standings will be the total number of points after the scoring of the team competition. Separate points will be awarded for the men's and women's competition. The maximum number of points a province/territory could receive is eighteen (18).

11. Medals:

11.1 Gold, silver, and bronze awards will be presented on a team basis to the first, second and third place finishers, including the coaches and managers.

11.2 **Medals:**

Event	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Women	3	3	3
Men	3	3	3
Total	6	6	6