



Technical Regulations – Indoor Volleyball

1. EVENTS

This competition will be conducted during the 2024 Canada Deaf Games from May 8th to May 10th 2024 and will consist of the following 1 event:

- Co-Ed Indoor 4 v 4 Volleyball

2. PARTICIPANTS

2.1 Invitation to Participate

CDSA and the Organizing Committee will invite legal residents of Canada in good standing to participate in the competition.

2.2 Eligibility

2.2.1 Hearing Loss

Participation in the competition is restricted to athletes that are deaf and/or hard of hearing. To the contrary of the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf (ICSD) that restricts participation for athletes with a hearing loss of at least 55 decibels, CDSA encourages all participants that are Deaf and/or hard of hearing involved in the Deaf community to participate at the CDG. We leave the responsibility to Provincial Deaf Sports Associations (PDSA) to explain to their participants if they are eligible or not of events sanctioned by the ICSD.

2.2.2 Age

Athletes must meet the minimum age requirement for each event listed below:

- Player's Volleyball – 14 years old as of May 8th, 2024

2.3 Number of Teams

A minimum number of teams to compete in each event listed below must be met:

- 4 teams

2.4 Number of Athletes per Team

A minimum/maximum number of athletes(s) per team is allocated to each event listed below:

- Volleyball – 4 to 5 athletes

3 COMPETITION RULES AND REGULATIONS

3.1 Technical Organization

Canadian Deaf Sports Association (CDSA) is responsible for the technical organization of the competition in conjunction with Volleyball Canada.

3.2 Technical Committee

The Technical Committee is comprised of the CDSA Technical Director and other members nominated by the CDG 2024 Organizing Committee and approved by CDSA:

John Klaver – CDSA Technical Director (Chair)

Grant Underschultz & TBC – CDG 2024 Representative

3.3 Competition Rules

The competitions will be conducted in accordance with the following Rules and Regulations. Rules not specifically outlined below will follow closely to FIVB 2021-2024 Official Rules. Notable rules specific to this competition are in bold.

- 3.3.1 The team's starting line-up indicates the rotational order of the players on the court. This order must be maintained throughout the set. Players are free to position themselves. There are no positional faults.**
- 3.3.2 The ball must contact any part of the body.
- 3.3.3 The ball must not be caught or thrown. It can rebound in any direction.
- 3.3.4 Simultaneous hits: The ball must touch various parts of the body, provided the contact takes simultaneously.
- 3.3.5 Consecutive contacts: At the first hit of the team, provided it is not made overhand with fingers) consecutive contacts are permitted provided that the contacts occur during one action. During the first hit of the team if it is played overhand using fingers, the ball may NOT contact the fingers/hands consecutively, even if the contacts occur during one action. However, at blocking, consecutive contacts may be made by one or more players, provided that they occur during one action.
- 3.3.6 Extended contacts: In defensive action of a hard driven ball, the ball contact can be extended momentarily even if an overhand finger action is used.
- 3.3.7 In blocking, a player may touch the ball beyond the net provided they do not interfere with opponent's play, before or during the latter's attack hit.

- 3.3.8** After an attack hit, a player is permitted to pass their hand beyond the net provided the contact is made within their own playing space.
- 3.3.9** Contact with the net by a player between the antennae during the action of playing the ball is a fault.
- 3.3.10** The server must hit the ball within 5 seconds of the referee's whistle.
- 3.3.11** It is a fault if a player completes an attack hit on the opponent's serve when the entire ball is higher than the top of the net.
- 3.3.12** **It is a fault if a player completes an attack-hit using an open-handed finger action or if using finger tips that are not rigid and together.**
- 3.3.13** **It is a fault if a player completes an attack-hit using an overhand pass which has a trajectory not perpendicular to the line of the shoulders. The exception is when the player is attempting to set their teammate.**
- 3.3.14** **A blocking contact is NOT counted as a hit. The blocking team will have three more contacts after the blocking contact. The first contact after the block may be touched by any player including the one who touched the ball during the block.**
- 3.3.15** A player of the starting lineup may leave the game, but only once in a set, and re-enter, but only once in a set, and only to their previous position in the lineup.

3.4 Competition Equipment

3.4.1 Equipment

All equipment used during competition must comply with the Volleyball Canada Rules and Regulations.

3.4.2 Volleyball Ball

Mikasa MVA200 shall be the official balls

3.5 Competition Clothing

Participants must wear competitive uniforms in accordance with the Volleyball Canada Rules and Regulations.

3.6 Competition

3.6.1 Competition Schedule

The competition schedule for all events will be conducted under control of the Technical Committee and in accordance with the Volleyball Canada Rules and Regulations.

3.6.2 Competition Format

3.6.2.1 Preliminary Competition (Round-Robin)

Teams will be placed in one group for each gender, playing a round robin to establish the top four ranked teams for the Championship competition. Preliminary play will be best of three sets with game 1 and 2 to 25 points with a minimum lead of two points. Deciding games are played to 15 points with a minimum lead of 2 points.

3.6.2.2 Championship Competition

Semi-finals with 1st place vs. 4th place and 2nd place v 3rd place; winners of the semi-finals play in the final (for the gold and silver medals), losers of the semi-finals play in the bronze medal game. Championship play will be best of five sets with games 1-4 to 25 points with a minimum lead of two points. Deciding games are played to 15 points with a minimum lead of 2 points.

3.6.2.3 Three Team Competition

In the event of a three team competition, teams will play a double round robin. Points will be awarded for match wins. Play will be best of five sets with games 1-4 to 25 points with a minimum lead of two points. Deciding games are played to 15 points with a minimum lead of 2 points.

3.6.3 Tiebreaking Rules

Ties will be broken according to the Volleyball Canada rules in effect at the time of Games.

Ties between teams for final ranking are broken by the following procedure in priority order. ONLY tied teams will be taken into consideration.

1. Number of matches won – 2 points per match.
2. Number of sets won – 1 point per game.

3a. Between 2 teams: Result of head-to-head match or point differential

3b. Between 3 or more teams: point differential between tied teams

4 Point differential overall.

3.7 Officials

3.7.1 Appointment of Officials

The CDG 2024 Organizing Committee will appoint Technical Committee (3.2) and an appropriate number of volunteers to conduct each event.

3.7.2 Allocation of Officials

Allocation of the officials to conduct the events will be decided and made by the Technical Committee.

3.8 Unforeseen Incidents

In the event of unforeseen incidents not covered by the rules and regulations, the Technical Committee will make a decision. In the absence of the Technical Committee, the CDSA Technical Director will make a decision.

4 COMPETITION VENUE

The competition will be conducted at Toronto Metropolitan University in Kerr Hall Gymnasium in Toronto (Ontario).

5 SCHEDULES

5.1 Competition Schedule

To be announced by April 8th, 2024

5.2 Training Schedule

The training will be held on Wednesday May 8th 2024 XX:XXam to XX:XXam.

5.3 Technical Meeting

5.3.1 Date and Location

The technical meeting will be held at TBA from Time to Time.

5.3.2 Attendance

Each team must provide a coach or captain to attend this meeting.

6 ADDENDUM

None

Notice: These Technical Regulations are subject to change.

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