



**MEN'S YOUTH PAN AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIPS** – from 04 to 08 of February, 2014

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## Bulletín #1

21/January/2014

Dear participant countries,

Please receive a warm welcome from the Organizing Committee and from the PAHF to the Men's Youth Pan American Championships 2014 - Hockey5s format, a qualifier for the Youth Olympic Games - Nanjing, 2014.

This newsletter is intended to provide important information about various aspects of the Event and operational procedures.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have queries, concerns or comments regarding any matter.

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### **A) BEFORE DEPARTURE**

**IMPORTANT:** Your team is composed with players who are still considered minor, so we would like to remind that before players departure parents or legal guardians must sign Form Code of Conduct (to be presented at the Technical Meetings before the tournament starts), and any other Travel Permits required by the laws and regulations in your country.

**ATTENTION:** According Regulation # 4.2b (see link below), players are required to submit PASSPORT as proof of identity, nationality and age - all teams. If a player has dual nationality, for purposes of the tournament, he will have to show the passport of the country represented in the competition for passports check. [even if player is traveling with another passport due to visa issues]. We remind that all delegations (Team Managers) must bring passports of the players to check with the Entry Forms at the technical meeting.

### **B) LOCAL TRANSPORT**

1 – As the Organizing Committee is planning transport to and from the airport, we kindly request participant teams to inform all **travel details** (flights of arrival and departure) and **confirmation of Hotel** where your team will be staying. Please do so directly to the staff of the Organizing Committee **by**



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**January 27, 2014 (18 hours of Puerto Rico).** Please locate tournament staff upon arrival (look for signs with the tournament logo).

2 – **Transport for Practices/Training:** Transport for practices/training (Practice-Hotel-Practice) will be provided on the 02<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> of February, 2014. For teams training before those dates, the organization may make arrangements, but teams are responsible for the costs of the transportation to and from the stadium.

3 – **Transport to matches:** Teams will be required to arrive to the stadium 45 minutes before game time. Departure times of the hotels will be confirmed on arrival of the teams to San Juan. Team Managers are required to communicate with the Local Organization for ground transportation arrangements.

### **C) MATCHES & TRAININGS**

The Venue for both Tournament and Trainings will be:

**Stadium Roberto Gotay**

**Urb. Baldrich**

**Avenue Domenech, Hato Rey, San Juan – Puerto Rico**

Some training requests were sent to the Tournament Director, Javier Zanini ([argjgz@gmail.com](mailto:argjgz@gmail.com)) and to the Competition Coordinator, Julio F Neves ([julio.neves@panamhockey.org](mailto:julio.neves@panamhockey.org)), responsible for the official schedule of tournament practices. The same will be sent shortly. (Bulletin#2)

According to the possibilities of meeting countries requests, to ensure that all teams have, at least 2 training sessions of 1h hour in the field of competition before the tournament starts, and to guarantee equity in the distribution of the number of hours of practice during the tournament, an official training spreadsheet will be prepared. Please send your requests, with preferred time to practice, to Cedric Sasso **before January 26, 2014.**

### **D) MEALS**

The choice and arrangement of meals will be responsibility of the teams (Team Managers). Meals at hotels should be coordinated by the Team Managers with their respective hotels. There are many dining options around the tournament hotels.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate contacting us.

### **E) TOURNAMENT BRIEFING MEETINGS**

It is **MANDATORY FOR ALL** teams to attend the Tournament Briefing Meetings by sending a maximum of 2 representatives per team (one must be the Team Manager).

**ATTENTION:** The following will be required to present to the Tournament Director at the meeting:



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1. Final Team Entry Forms;
2. Acknowledgement Forms of the Code of Conduct\* completed and signed by ALL team members as named at Team Entry Form;
3. Player's passports for check and confirmation of identity, nationality and age (only passports will accepted according Regulations);
4. Uniforms sets (distinct colors between Primary and Alternate sets);
5. Goalkeeper equipment and players gloves.

\* [http://www.panamhockey.org/files/documents/2012/2012-07-FIH-Acknowledgement\\_Form\\_World\\_Level\\_Events.pdf](http://www.panamhockey.org/files/documents/2012/2012-07-FIH-Acknowledgement_Form_World_Level_Events.pdf)

Tournament Briefing Meetings are scheduled for **February 3, 2013**. We will soon inform place and time (Bulletin#2). Transport to the meeting place (to and from hotel) will be provided for the 02 representatives from each delegation.

### **F) RULES & REGULATIONS**

The **FIH Hockey5s Rules dated 01 of Septiembre 2012** will be in effect for this tournament.

Current **FIH Hockey5s Regulations dated December 2013** will be applied.

All tournament documents, guidelines, forms and regulations maybe downloaded from

<http://www.panamhockey.org/en/competitions-28-2014-pan-american-youth-championship-men->  
under "Official Communications".

Since the Hockey5s format is still in its infancy, there are some inconsistencies between the Regulations and Rules, which were already detected and were sent to the FIH for clarification. Same thing about the sideboards and backboards. As soon as we have concrete resolutions, we will inform (Bulletin # 2).  
Meanwhile, do not hesitate to send us any inquiry or question.

### **G) ACREDITATION**

You are required to send 2x2 pictures of each member of your delegation (JPG format, name file with name of respective delegation member) to the Organizing Committee – responsible: Katherine Santiago, [kapsantiago@gmail.com](mailto:kapsantiago@gmail.com) .

### **H) MEDICAL**

Team Managers are required to inform PAHF and the Organizing Committee, **before January 30th, 2014**, which hospitals are allowed by your team's health insurance for use in San Juan, if needed.

There are two hospitals very near the stadium (less than 5 minutes) in case of emergency.

Team insurance is being offered by the Organizing Committee (US\$250). For more information contact Katherine Santiago, [kapsantiago@gmail.com](mailto:kapsantiago@gmail.com).

More information to be released in Bulletin#2.



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## I) CONTACT & MISCELANEOUS

1 – Your Team Manager must provide contact information (e-mail, phone) for a regular and fluid communication with the organization of the tournament, together with the Entry Form (**deadline January 21, 2014**).

2 – Tickets for the tournament will be free of charge. Donations are welcome.

3 – The rooms for team meetings in hotels must be directly requested by the team managers in their respective hotels.

4 - If Team Managers can send pictures of the uniforms for previous checking, we'll appreciate it. Please send your uniforms photos (primary and alternate) to the TD Javier Zanini, [argjpoz@gmail.com](mailto:argjpoz@gmail.com) .

5 – Uniform Advertising specifications at

<http://www.fih.ch/files/Sport/Event%20Management/Uniform%20Advertising%202013.pdf>

## J) SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT DATES

1- Send the Team Entry Forms by: **January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014**

2- Send request for practices by: **January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

3- Send travel and hotel information by: **January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

4- Send information about medical/health insurance and permitted hospitals by: **January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

5- Tournament Briefing Meetings: **February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014**

We are looking forward to a great event and your cooperation will be important and appreciated.

Kind Regards,

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