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## **Winter Deep Water Polo Championships 2018**

### **Rules and Regulations**

1. Competition rules are modified from the official rules and regulations from FINA. Otherwise stated, the rules and regulations shall follow the latest official version from FINA.
2. Ball Sizes: Size 4 in Junior Division; Size 5 in Senior Division.
3. **Age Limit of Participation: 20 years old or under are eligible to participate in the Junior Division; Applicants above 20 years old will be requested to participate in the Senior Division.**
4. Number of Players: Maximum 13 players in roster; 7 players shall be sent to the field during the match, with 6 field players and 1 goalkeeper.
5. Duration of Games:
  - (i) **Round-Robin & Classification** - 2 halves with **12** mins each (non-stopping clock), 1-min break between halves  
**Bronze Medal & Final** - 2 halves with **15** mins each (non-stopping clock), 1-min break between halves
  - (ii) One timeout in the Bronze Medal & Final in each half
6. The classification of teams in the Preliminary Round will be made on points namely 3 points for each match won, 1 point for each match drawn and 0 points for each match lost.
7. The ranking in each group is determined as follows:
  - (i) Greatest number of points obtained in all group matches
  - (ii) If 2 teams shall have equal points, further classification shall be established as follows:
    - A. The team winning the game between them shall be placed higher.
    - B. If the game between them was tied, then the results against the highest placed team(s) in the group shall be considered.
    - C. The first comparison shall be based on goal difference, and if still tied, then based on goals scored.
    - D. The comparison shall be made first compared to the highest placed team (or teams, if tied) in the group.



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- E. If still tied, the results against the next highest placed team (or teams, if tied) shall be used in succession until all results have been considered.
  - F. If still tied, the teams shall shoot penalty shots to determine which team shall be placed higher. Each team shall nominate 5 players and a goalkeeper who will participate in the penalty shoot-out. The team shall shoot 5 penalty shots at the goal of the other team, alternating shots. If a tie exists after each team has taken 5 shots, then teams shall take sets of alternate shots until one team scores and the other does not. The procedure shall be conducted following the final game of the round or at the first practical opportunity.
  - G. If there is more than one tie in a group, the highest placed tie shall be determined first.
  - H. If it is the situation where there is more than one tie in a group and it is not possible to determine the highest placed team then all results within the group shall be used to determine the highest placed team.
8. Referee may call a turnover if the attacking team has no intention to attack.
  9. In case of exclusions, the 20 sec exclusion rule will be applied.
  10. Substitute player may enter the field by swimming in from the exclusion area, as soon as the player is visible on the water surface of the waiting area, which is on the opposite side of the table.
  11. Substitution is allowed at all times.
  12. In case of a team not showing up after 5 minutes of the official starting time of the match, the result of the match shall be 5-0, with the present team being the winner.
  13. In case of a draw after full time in elimination matches, penalty shoot-out shall be conducted to determine the result.