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TECHNICAL RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL PADEL FEDERATION

IPF WORLD JUNIORS CHAMPIONSHIPS

CHAPTER I: GENERAL

I.1. PURPOSE AND APPLICATION

The aim of these rules and regulations is to regulate the organization and running of all the Official Padel Competitions for Juniors, organized, authorized, or recognized by the International Padel Federation (henceforth IPF) anywhere in the world.

I.2. AUTHORITY

The expression Official Competitions refers to all those which have been included in the Official IPF Calendar and count for the official FIP-WPT ranking. (WPT points will apply while the unified ranking agreement between the International Padel Federation and the World Padel Tour is in force).

I.3. RESPONSIBILITY

The IPF is responsible for the general running of all the Official Competitions, including:

- I.1.1.** Selection: Choice of the competitions to be included in the Official Calendar.
- I.1.2.** Dates: Confirmation or appointment of competition dates.
- I.1.3.** Conflicts: Classification and resolution of all conflicts that arise.

I.4. CALENDAR

The IPF will publish the Official Calendar every year on the 31st of December.

Modifications and inclusions can be done throughout the year and will be communicated to the Associate Members and posted in the official web system.

I.5. TAKING PART IN COMPETITIONS

Each competition authorized by the IPF will be subject to these Rules and Regulations. All players who participate in a Competition authorized by the IPF will likewise be subject to the present Rules and Regulations.

To participate in the Official Competitions, players are required to hold a valid membership or licence issued by a National Federation or Association affiliated to the IPF.

I.6. ANTI DOPING REGIME

All competitions under the control of the IPF will be bound by its Anti-Doping Regime, by the stipulations set by the World Anti-Doping Code, and by the list of prohibited substances and pharmacological groups and non-regulated sports doping methods approved by the World Anti-Doping Agency.

CHAPTER II: OFFICIAL COMPETITIONS

II.1. DEFINITION

The Competitions in the Official Calendar are “Official Competitions”. “Official Competitions” are divided into:

- The “**World Championships**” are those in which the World Champion Title is at stake. They are defined and selected by the IPF
- The “**Continental o Regional Championships**” are those in which the Continental o Regional Champion Title is at stake. They are defined and selected by the corresponding Continental o Regional Federation in the event that it is recognized by the IPF, or in their absence, by the IPF itself.
- “**International Tournaments**” are all the other competitions included in the IPF Official Calendar and it includes the tournaments of the World Padel Tour (WPT) circuit, while there is a current agreement, and the FIP TOUR

II.2. CATEGORY, NAME, LICENCES AND UMPIRING

II.2.1. Category and Official Calendar

- II.2.1.1. The “Official Competitions” depend directly on the FIP (except for the WPT tournaments, which only share Ranking and calendar) regarding Competition Rules and Regulations, Disciplinary Rules and Regulations, Game Rules, etc ... titles of World or Continental and/or Regional Champions simply count towards the Official IPF Rankings. They will also be considered “Official Competitions” those that do not meet the indicated requirements but for which their Organizer has requested their inclusion in the Official Calendar, committing to respect all the Rules and Regulations of the FIP and the latter has accepted their request, which will be subject in all cases, to the authorization of the national member federations FIP in the case of competitions in the territory where there is one.
- II.2.1.2. The following will be included in the Official Calendar: World Championships in all categories, Continental Championships, Regional Championships, and those Tournaments that, in the opinion of the IPF, form part of a sports project that meets all the appropriate budgetary, sponsorship and organizational conditions.
- II.2.1.3. To count towards the IPF Ranking an event must be included in the Official Calendar and all the requirements established by the IPF for its development are met.
- II.2.1.4. World, Continental, and Regional Championships requests must be made to the IPF via the corresponding National Federations/Associations who must ensure that IPF Rules and Regulations are respected. If the IPF considers it convenient, it will sign contracts awarding competitions to Potential Organizers, but if these have the authority to choose the country in which the competition will be held, the application must be escalated to the IPF via the Federation/Association of the Associate Member. The Association/Federation will give course to the request if in agreement, but should it do so it will have to respect the terms agreed between the IPF and the Potential Organizer.
- II.2.1.5. If the IPF considers it convenient, they sign contracts awarding competitions to Potential Organizers, but if these have the authority to choose the country in which the competition will be held and select a country without Associate Member, the application must be escalated to the IPF directly and will be provided the necessary help to IPF to carry out the own functions of supervision and control, to approve the competition.

II.2.2. Names

World Junior Championships are the following:

- World Junior Championships, Male and Female National Teams.
- World Junior Championships, Male and Female National Pairs.
- World Open Junior Pairs Championships, male and female.

Continental Juniors Championships are the following:

- "Continental" Junior Championships, Male and Female National Teams.
- "Continental" Junior Championships, Male and Female National Pairs.
- "Continental" Open Junior Pairs Championships, male and female

Regional Juniors Championships are the following:

- "Regional" Junior Championships, Male and Female National Teams.
- "Regional" Junior Championships, Male and Female National Pairs.
- "Regional" Open Junior Pairs Championships, male and female.

II.2.3. Licences

- II.2.3.1. As indicated in paragraph I.5., in order for a player to participate in Official Competitions, they have to hold a valid licence or membership issued by one of those National Federations - Associations that are an Associated Member of the former and which, furthermore, have not been sanctioned by the IPF or any other member
- II.2.3.2. All National Federations upon request will inform the IPF of the licences issued to players so they can be checked, providing a record of the official licences issued during the season.
- II.2.3.3. Each player may have as many licences or memberships as he wants, (if the statutes of the issuing federations allow it), issued by any Associate Member, but the player must declare the elected nationality at the time of requesting the licence in order to show it in the official IPF Individual Ranking. Considering very especially that the player when declaring a license to the IPF will be indicating his "sports nationality" which implies that for the purposes of IPF competitions he may only represent that sports nationality in all IPF competitions for the period indicated by the regulations in force.
- II.2.3.4. The players who participate to the World Junior Championships for National Teams or National Doubles, representing a country from which they are native or naturalized citizens, and from which have a valid document showing the correspondent nationality, will hold the federative licence of the Associate Member of this country.
- II.2.3.5. It must be available for each entry player an electronic file with the following data:
- licence number,
 - recent photograph,
 - Date of birth
 - address and phones of parents or tutors,
 - RH group and relevant medical data for urgencies

Considering the data protection laws could be different country to country, and considering the legal limitations could arise, when possible the Associated Members of applied countries will forward the information about the own players to the Organizing Committee of Associate Member, who will hand-over the file and use it only for organization and medical needs.

II.2.4. Umpiring

- II.2.4.1. The special features of Padel and the lack of means at specific times, means that it is impossible to demand the presence of an Umpire at all matches. When this occurs, the players themselves should apply the Game Rules, generally, each couple umpiring in their own court. If it is not possible to reach an agreement concerning a specific point or action, the presence of the Referee will be requested, this person taking the final decision once both sides have been heard.

Control of the match by the Umpires and their team can have two different forms:

- Active Umpiring: In active umpiring play stops once the umpire has called a decision signaling all infractions to the rules. II.9.15.
- Passive umpiring: In passive umpiring the umpiring team intervenes directly when points named in II.9.14. arise but in all others act at the request of players.

- II.2.4.2. Le The IPF will determine whether the umpiring is active or passive, but their decision should be known before the competition begins.

- II.2.4.3. The Chair Umpire shall be obligatory in all finals and semi-finals of the World, Continental, and Regional Juniors Championships, for National Teams, for National Doubles and Open Pairs

II.3. COMPETITIONS ORGANISERS

- II.3.1. The following will be considered as Potential Organizer of competitions included in the IPF calendar:

- National Federations/Associations which are an Associate Member.
- Promotion Companies that are accredited by the IPF.

- II.3.2. Organization of all the World Junior Padel Championships corresponds to the IPF, which can delegate to the Associated Members or directly contracted with a potential organizer but, in this case the terms of the agreement may not be imposed on the Associate Member in the country where the said championships will be held. The concession of the World Junior Championships is decided in the general Assembly.

II.4. REQUESTING COMPETITIONS

- II.4.1. Assembly sets the dates and location two years in advance of the World Junior Padel Championships. The Associated Members that wish to bid to organize a World Championship should present their bid document allotting for the period as defined in the by-laws and present it to the general assembly. If, for whatever reason, the Assembly cannot choose the Organizer of the World Championships they will give instructions to the Board of Directors to delegate, setting the delays and conditions they consider appropriate. If any of the members of the Board of Directors are of the same nationality as any of the organizers the request, then they will abstain from participating in any of the tasks related to the issue.

The IPF, will send to the Associated Members approximately before the 30th of November a Provisional Calendar stating all the World, Continental and Regional Championships that have been programmed for the year with an indication of the estimated dates. It will also include all the Tournaments included in the Official Calendar of the previous year attempting to adjust the dates to the New Year as far as possible. The said Provisional Calendar will provide guidance concerning the name of the competition, the prize amount, venue, and probable dates

- II.4.2. Once the Provisional Calendar has been received, the Associated Members and promoting Companies that wish to repeat the organization of Tournaments or organize new ones should apply by writing to the IPF through their Associated Member, indicating the Tournament name, tentative date, and the budget available for prizes. Obviously, when requesting dates, preference will attempt to be given to those Tournaments that have already been held in previous years.

The information about the facilities of the Club where the competition will be held must be included; they must be registered and up to date on payment to the Associated Member corresponding to its country, except in special circumstances to spread and promote Padel: organization in a street or square, shopping center etc.

The IPF must receive all requests prior to the 15th of December.

- II.4.3. Once the information has been received, the IPF will draw up the Tentative Calendar which will be published approximately prior to the 31st of December, showing the bids chosen to organize the World Championships as well as the Tournaments that meet the requirements. The Board of Directors, once they have considered to the comments of all the interested parties, will draw up the Official Calendar, no later than the 31st of January.

II.5. COMPETITION ADJUDICATION

- II.5.1. To adjudicate the Junior World Championships, the IPF will take into account, amongst others, the following circumstances:

Facilities:

- Number of courts and their technical conditions: dimensions, lighting, wall materials, surface, etc...
- Existence of glass courts.
- Adequate changing rooms

- Players' room.
- Room or reserved space for the use of Umpiring Team.
- Other usable installations: gym, swimming pool, SPA, etc.

Services:

- Club restaurant with accessible prices.
- Massage and physiotherapist services.
- On-site medical attendance.
- Availability of communication media: telephones, e-mail, internet, Wi-Fi, etc.

Media:

- Press room.
- Relevant information about the event (results, information releases, access to IPF web-system, etc.) to press and Associated Members.
- Space reserved for TV cameras and photographers.

Organizational Capacity:

- Organizational experience of sporting events.
- Sufficient and qualified personnel.
- Board and lodging in appropriate hotels.
- Transport between club-hotel or sufficient proximity for transport to be unnecessary.

Once these concepts have been taken into account, others relating to rotation or geographical distribution can be taken into account, at the sole discretion of the IPF.

Article II.12. that shows the economic conditions relating to the adjudication of Competitions the bidder's document must refer to the Technical Conditions and Requirements as agreed with the IPF, taking into account as guideline the document: "Indications of Needs to organize a World Junior Padel Championships" (see annex A)

- II.5.2.** The IPF may demand a deposit, that cannot exceed US\$ 30.000,00, either in cash or by means of a bank guarantee, to assure that the requested Championships or Tournament is held in the agreed to conditions.

These deposits will be returned immediately should the inscription request for the Championships in the Official Calendar be turned down, or if the bid to organize a Championships is not selected. Otherwise, the refund will be made within 60 days of the completion date of the Championships.

- II.5.3.** En In the event that an Associated Member that has requested a Junior World Championships at the Annual General Meeting of IPF -or after it has been assigned by the Board of Directors if it is then communicated that they will not be able to follow through with the event, the Associate Member not only will lose the guarantee deposit but may also be required to pay a fine for damages caused by the cancellation of the event. The documentation will also be forwarded to the Disciplinary Committee for their analyses and decision about the application of Disciplinary Code.

II.6. AMENDMENTS TO THE OFFICIAL CALENDAR

- II.6.1.** In order to change any of the data relating to a competition once it has been included in the Official Calendar, the requesting Organizer has to make the appropriate written request to the IPF within the following periods:

- Change de City: four (4) months
- Change de Club: four (4) months
- Change of Referee: fifteen (15) days

All these periods are understood to be the minimum before the programmed Competition start date.

The IPF will study the received requests and attempt to deal with them as long as they do not harm the rights of third parties or that the requested changes are not sufficiently big to alter the normal programming of the competition calendar.

Any Organizer that cancels a competition or introduces changes in its organization without the authorization of the IPF will lose their deposit and can, in addition, be sanctioned by not being able to organize competitions included in the Official Calendar for one (1) year irrespective of the possible sanctions that might arise in accordance with the Sporting Discipline Regulations.

II.7. INSTALLATIONS

In order to hold a World Junior Championships, the Organization must have sufficient courts with specified lighting to assure that the competition runs smoothly, taking into account the available days, the numbers of matches to be played and the fact that the players -in principle and except in particular cases- cannot play more than two matches a day, as well as adequate auxiliary installations and sufficient human and material resources.

In cases of exception, the IPF, in defense of the promotion of Padel, can decide to authorize holding the tournament in installations that do not meet the mentioned requirements, providing the courts respect the IPF's Rules for the Game of Padel. Competitions will always be held on courts with lighting with the same type of walls and surface. When the courts where the matches to be held are of different surface or construction (glass and brick-wall) the criteria to be followed for the adjudication should be publicly established beforehand, included the possibility for the organizer to assign the court due to TV needs. Should these criteria be lacking, there will be a draw to decide who plays on each court.

Inspection of the installations: The IPF reserves the right to send a Supervisor to review the general infrastructure and courts, assessing their state to hold matches as well as the other directly related installations, such as changing rooms, dining rooms, rest rooms, etc...

Should the report be negative, the Organizer, the Referee of the competition and the Owner of the installations will immediately be informed so they can remedy the noted faults before the start of the matches. Should this not be possible, the necessary measures will be taken, from forbidding the use of the defective installations to cancellation of the Competition.

II.8. COMPETITION DIRECTOR

II.8.1. The Competition Director will be designated by the Organizer, bearing in mind that no one may be Competition Director and Player or Umpire in the same event

II.8.2. The Competition Director is responsible to the Organizer for the organization and smooth running of the competition, and the latter is responsible to the IPF.

II.8.3. Competition Director Duties:

- To ensure that the sports installations are prepared to hold the competition.
- To check that the balls and trophies are in the installations before the beginning of the competition.
- To check the registrations and provide the Referee with a list of the players who have not paid so the latter can prevent them from taking part.
- To send to the IPF a list of the players that have declared a W.O. and who have not paid the registration.
- To liaise between the Organizer, the people responsible for the installations, the players, the sponsors, the Referee and the IPF Supervisor.
- To be prepared to handle any emergency that may arise during the competition, especially from the medical point of view.
- To attend to the press and provide them with all the necessary information should there be specifically designated Press Manager to do so.

II.9. UMPIRING TEAM

II.9.1. The umpiring team will be made up of the Umpire, Auxiliary Umpire, Deputy Umpire, Chair Umpire, Assistant Umpires. All of them must hold the qualification issued by a National Federation or Association affiliated to the IPF. The Referee, Auxiliary and Deputy should wear some distinctive clothing or article which identifies them e.g.: T-shirt, cap, arm band, etc.

- Head Umpire. The person with maximum umpiring responsibility in an Official Sports Competition. In addition, they assign the tasks that the Referees making up the umpiring team should carry out at any time.
- Auxiliary Umpire. Basically, the person responsible for the administrative control, announcing of results, calling players, etc.
- Deputy Umpire. Collaborates with the umpire to oversee matches when there are a large number taking place simultaneously.
- Chair Umpire. Umpires the match and has a microphone to inform spectators of the details.
- Assistant Umpires. Collaborate with the Chair Umpires in controlling a match.

II.9.2. For the Tournaments included in the Official Calendar, the Organizer will propose the name of the Umpire to the IPF at least three (3) months before the programmed start date. The proposed Umpire should be an official from a National Federation or Association affiliated to the IPF. This proposal should be accompanied by their umpiring curriculum. The proposal will not be accepted, considering that the person is not the ideal Referee for the Tournament in question, or if the Organizer chooses not to use any of the selected Umpires that are deemed to not have the capacity to perform the work, the IPF, after consulting with the corresponding Federations, will provide the name of three (3) people so that the Organizer can chose the Referee from among them.

II.9.3. No-one can be a member of the Umpiring Team and a player in the same competition.

II.9.4. Head Umpire duties are:

1. Carry around the Game Rules and Technical Rules, respect them and ensure they are respected.
2. Draw up the timetables and announce them in a timely manner.
3. Designate the duties of each one of the Umpiring team, and should there be events that so require, halt them in their exercise of those functions.
4. Decide whether a court meets the necessary conditions to be able to play on it, whether a court should be changed for a match or decide on which court each match should be played.
5. Identify participating players.
6. Not allow players to participate if their age or nationality does not correspond to the event category in which they intend to take part, or those people who, according to the report presented to the Organizer, have not paid their inscription.
7. Notify players of the game system and conditions.
8. Notify players, before the start of the competition, of the criteria to be followed to allocate courts when there are different construction types.
9. Apply Walk-Over (W.O.).
10. Carry out the draws of the plate tournaments.
11. Order the change of balls. These are obligatory for semi-final and final matches, the first change occurring after nine (9) games and then every eleven (11) games. In the other matches of the first level table, they will only be changed, in the event of three (3) sets being played at the start of the third set.
12. Note all the results of the tables: winners, set results, players' licence numbers, etc.
13. Decide when a match must be delayed or restarted.
14. Apply the Sports Discipline Rules approved by the IPF.
15. Be present at the competition venue during all the matches and should that not be possible name an Umpire to stand in provisionally during their absence.
16. Oversee as much as possible all the matches being played through being present on the courts, and, in the absence of a Chair Umpire, can carry out their duties, such as decide whether the players are appropriately dressed or do the draw for courts and service.
17. Take the final decision when disagreements arise between players during a match without a Chair Umpire. If the disagreement persists, it will demand to end it within twenty (20) seconds, even if their intervention has not been requested, if the disagreements continue, he will be the one taking the last decision.
18. Take the final decision if there is a conflict between the players and the Chair Umpire in the interpretation of a concrete point of the Rules.
19. Name a provisional Umpire if they must act as a Chair Umpire.

20. Send the results, reports of incidences relating to the Umpiring Team and final report of the competition in the set delays and by the means determined.

II.9.5. The IPF's Disciplinary Committee will consider the possibility there could have been errors or misinterpretations committed by the Umpires either voluntarily or unknowingly:

1. They the Rules have ignored.
2. They have made errors in the draw.
3. They have falsified the results.
4. They have favored or prejudiced, clearly, and unjustifiably, a player with their decisions.
5. They have falsified the competition report.
6. They have allowed an unregistered player to participate or substitute a third party acting in the stead of a registered player, or one who has not paid the inscription.
7. And, in general, they have not respected the duties of their position.

II.9.6. The decisions of the Umpires are without appeal with regard to technical rules of the game, without prejudicing a possible recall to the IPF Sports Discipline Committee. The Umpire is also capacitated to take decisions concerning any incidence that may arise during the competition, even in the case that it was not covered by the Rules and Regulations.

II.9.7. Report of incidences and match results. The report of the draws and the results of the matches in which the name and licence number of the players must appear, the umpiring report and incidences reports, should be sent to the IPF in a period of three (3) days from the end of the competition. In the team competitions they will also send the reports of the knock out matches, duly completed and signed by the team captains.

II.9.8. In the case of inclement weather, the Umpire will be responsible for taking the appropriate decisions, but under no circumstances can the competition continue later than 12 p.m. of the day specified as being as the last day of the competition if the players do not agree. If, by this time, the competition has not finished and the players are not ready to continue, the competition will be delayed until the IPF decides whether to suspend it indefinitely or notifies of the dates of its continuation.

II.9.9. The Umpire is responsible, unless they themselves consider that there is a case of force majeure, for declaring W.O. partners or a team that do not present themselves in the court, ready to play, once ten (10) minutes after the time set for the match to start have passed.

II.9.10. The following are the duties of the Auxiliary Umpire: from those assigned to the Umpire the following: 1, 5, 6, 12, 13 and 14 in the case of incidences to send the written report to the Umpire.

II.9.11. The following are the duties of the Deputy Umpire: from those assigned to the Umpire the following: 1, 4 (in what concerns the match court conditions), 13, 14, 16 and 17 and in the case of incidences to send the written report to the Umpire.

II.9.12. The Chair Umpires duties are out of those assigned to the Umpire the following: 1, 5, 7, 11, 13 and 14 and also to:

1. Determine whether the players are correctly dressed.
2. Give each player the necessary information regarding the match.
3. Draw courts and who starts the service.
4. Give the public relevant information during the match.
5. Apply the Game Rules actively or passively as needed.
6. Resolve conflicts that arise concerning the application of Padel rules, accepting the player's right to consult the Umpire.
7. Announce the score in accordance with set conditions.
8. Control the public, halting play if necessary, until order has been re-established.
9. Fill the score and behavior sheet.
10. Inform in writing to the Referee of all the incidences that occur during the match.

II.9.13. Son The following are the duties of the Assistant Umpires. Collaborating with the Chair Umpire in the conditions fixed in these rules for the type of active or passive umpiring to be applied.

II.9.14. The passive umpiring the Chair Umpire intervenes at the request of the players, but should stop play when one of the following infractions has occurred:

- Service faults (those produced in the servers' side of the court)

- Let (player who touches the net)
- Double bounce
- Through ball (ball that goes through a hole in the net)
- Shot against the rules (double hit, handball, etc.)
- Let
- Hindrance

In the event of discussion between players who have not requested the intervention of the Chair Umpire, the latter will be responsible for ensuring that the discussion does not last for longer than the twenty (20) seconds indicated in the rules as the maximum delay to serve. After these twenty (20) seconds without agreement the Chair Umpire will decide, and play will continue.

In opaque courts the Chair Umpire can be helped by an Assistant Umpire, in this case they will be situated one on each side of the court at net height.

II.9.15. In Active Umpiring all rule infractions that occur are called. If the match is played on opaque walled courts the Umpiring crew will consist of a Chair Umpire and an Assistant Umpire who will occupy the positions indicated in the previous point.

If the transparent courts are used, the Umpiring team will be formed by a Chair Umpire and one or two Assistant Umpires. The role of the Assistant Umpires is to check the bounce of the ball on the wall opposite that occupied by the Chair Umpire, and the service line on the receiver's side of the net.

II.9.16. The IPF's Disciplinary Committee will hear all the possible intentional faults or those due to lack of awareness committed by the Umpires when exercising their duties:

1. Having falsified the Rules.
2. Having falsified the Results.
3. Having clearly and unjustifiably favored or prejudiced a player with their decisions.
4. Having falsified the match report.
5. Having permitted a player to compete who is not registered or being registered has replaced a third party.
6. And, in general, has not met the duties related to their position.

II.10. THE FEDERAL DELEGATE WITH SUPERVISION FUNCTIONS

II.10.1. This person is an official representative of the IPF during a Competition. They are named by the Junior's Committee itself at the request of the IPF President. Their role is to act as observer and supervisor, without any power to intervene in any kind of technical decision, this corresponding solely to the Umpiring Team. At the end of the Competition, they will present a report of the event which will be an official document.

II.10.2. Any party interested in a Competition can request from the President of the IPF the presence of a Federal Delegate, with at least thirty (30) days' notice. Should any travel/lodging costs be incurred they will be borne by the applicant.

II.10.3. The name of the Federal Delegate with Supervisor functions will be sent in writing to the Referee, who in turn will inform all the participants, or otherwise, will place an Information Note next to the Competition match draws.

II.11. THE PLAYERS

II.11.1. To take part in an Official Competition the player must be in possession of a player's licence issued by the National Federation or Association of an Associated Member recognized by the IPF. In addition, they should be covered by a Sports Insurance Policy that covers the possibility of an accident during the Competition. In the cases that the licence the player holds does not cover the possibility of an accident when doing sport, the IPF or in the event the National Federation or Association of the Affiliated Member in whose country the event is taking place, will have the right to demand that this risk be covered.

II.11.2. In the case the represented National Federation or Association has not performed the entry payment, the player must pay the inscription set for the Official Competition for National Doubles or Open in advance. Should they not do so the Organizer will inform the Referee in writing so they can stop the player from taking part, the match being lost by W.O. For the purposes of sanctions, this will be an unjustified W.O.

- II.11.3.** Registration payment should be made even when the player declares W.O., not being able to play in another competition until it has been paid. The organizer will therefore send a list of players that declared W.O. and have not paid to the IPF who will inform the players concerned sending a copy to the represented Association/Federation who issued the player's licence, warning them that they cannot enter any competition until the situation has been dealt with.
- II.11.4.** If a team, a pair, or player unjustifiably leaves a competition, the team in the first case, the doubles pair in two others, will lose any rights to the prize they might have won so far. The player/s can appeal against this sanction in writing within a fifteen (15) day delay, without prejudice to any eventual disciplinary responsibility that might be incurred.
- II.11.5.** The trophies and prizes must be collected during the closing ceremony. Should the players absence been unjustified the player will lose all rights to the prizes. The trophies will be relayed to the IPF, where the player can recuperate them.
- II.11.6.** During the rest periods of the match, the players can receive instructions and technical advice relating to the game from their trainer or captain that has been duly registered with the umpire prior to the start of the match. The selected trainer and/or 13 captains should present themselves to the Chair Umpire or Referee before the beginning of the match. They will remain in one place outside the court, next to the players' chairs. They can only have verbal contact with the players during the rest and for the time permitted, not during the change of sides without rest. This rule is applicable both the doubles and team matches
- II.11.7.** Rest between matches. When necessary if the schedule programs more than one match in a day for the same double players, the Umpire will allow a period of rest to affected players if the previous match is up next to the upcoming match, unless both players accept to start before.

If the previous match lasts less than one (1) hour	One (1) hour of rest
If the previous match lasts between one (1) hour and one (1) hour and a half (½)	One (1) hour and a half (½) of rest
If the previous match lasts more than (1) hour and a half (½)	Two (2) hours of rest

Apart from exceptional cases, the players cannot play more than two (2) matches a day. In the Junior's World, Continental, and Regional Championships, and irrespective of their being two (2) parallel competitions, this rule will be upheld, and the exceptions will be determined by the Umpire, who will inform the IPF's Supervisor and the Tournament Director before give notice about the programmed changes.

- II.11.8.** . The players must be correctly attired, the Chair Umpire or Referee being responsible for this point. In team competitions the players are obligated to wear the same clothes.
- II.11.9.** The players can use the shoes and rackets they wish if they respect the rules, also with clothes, with the exception for the team competitions indicated in the article II.11.8.
- II.11.10.** If any of the players registered in one of the competitions included in the Official IPF Calendar is declared W.O., or once the draw has been made decides not to take part in the Competition, they must justify of their absence within fifteen (15) days. Should they not do so, or should the Discipline Committee consider that the given reasons are insufficient, the Disciplinary Rules and Regulations will be applied.
- II.11.11.** A player who is obviously not fit to play, as the consequence of an accident or injury that occurred prior to the warming up of the first match of the draw, will not be able to start the match, losing by W.O., without the right to any points. If the affected player has classified to play at a specific level, by playing the previous level, even though they lose by W.O. they will have the right to points.
- II.11.12.** Participants have, in any official Competition, to prove when requested to do so by to the Referee, their identity, nationality, age or any other circumstance related to the Competition, by means of the presentation of the appropriate documentation.

II.11.13. Player Eligibility

In order to represent a Country in Official Competitions, the players must:

- have the nationality of that country, confirmed through a valid document;
- be in good standing with the affiliation of the Associate Member of the country, and also be free of penalties of any other Associate Member from which has a valid licence;
- have lived in the country in the last twenty-four (24) months and have not represented another country in the last thirty-six (36) months before the event.

II.11.13.1. All those players who have not competed in an Official Absolute Competition representing their country can compete in Official Competitions representing another country whose nationality they have acquired there being any time limit.

II.11.13.2. All players who have competed in an Official Competition for a country, and for reasons that their parents or tutors have been translated to another country residence and are there registered once twenty-four (24) months have passed, they can represent the new country whose nationality they have legitimately acquired.

II.11.13.3. All players who have competed in an Official Competition for a country can represent another country whose nationality they have legitimately acquired once thirty-six (36) months have passed since the date on which they officially represented the first country, except of residence change previously indicated in the point II.11.13.2

If a player complies with the above indicated requirements and could represent more than one country, and the Associate Member of one of them would like to select him, the Associate Member must send a communication to the IPF at least three (3) months before the entry deadline, who will send a communication to all others engaged Associated Members, and they have to reply in the following fifteen (15) days.

Also, it will be automatically accepted in the following situations:

- A player who has represented or has been eligible to represent a country, and this country is now divided in two or more countries, it will be immediately eligible to represent one of these new countries.
- A player who has represented or has been eligible to represent a country, and this country is now included in part or totally in another country, it will be immediately eligible to represent this country.

An Associate Member could appeal to the IPF's Board of Directors to nominate a player who is not eligible following the indicated rules of the present technical rules book, and the Board of Directors could accept it if the general circumstances guarantee that the requested exception could be acceptable. The request shall be received by IPF at least five (5) months before the entry deadline. The Board of Directors will inform the Junior's Committee about the adopted decision.

The IPF's Juniors Committee and the Board of Directors have the right to ask to an Associate Member to demonstrate in clear manner the used method to select one or all players who are their representing in an official competition

II.12. COACHES

II.12.1. It will be the obligation of the National Federation, when registering, to include the name of the person who will be the accredited coach in a tournament and to be able to give instructions or advice in a match only to the pairs of the team that registers him/her.

II.12.2. Each pair may include a maximum of two coaches per Competition.

II.12.3. The coach must be in possession of a coach license from any associated member country, or at least a certification signed by a member federation affirming the title of coach for that country.

II.12.4. During matches, only one coach may sit with the accredited pair. You may not, under any circumstances, change the coach in the middle of a game.

II.12.5. Before each match, the coach must present himself to the main referee of the tournament.

II.12.6. During breaks in matches, players may receive instructions or technical advice, related to the game, from their coach and / or captain. The coach and / or captain must present himself to the Chair Umpire or, failing that, to the Main Referee before the start of the match. He will maintain a fixed position on the outside of the court, next to the players' chairs.

II.12.7. He will only be able to maintain verbal contact with the players during breaks, not during non-break end changes.

II.13. ECONOMIC CONDITIONS FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF COMPETITIONS

- II.13.1.** In each case the IPF will agree with the corresponding Organizer on the conditions on which the organization of a World Junior Championships is granted, including the amounts that can be charged for registration, both in pairs and Team Competitions, and the amounts that must be paid to the IPF as a levy. If available a Potential Organizer and the agreement has been made for two or more Championships, it will be signed an agreement between the IPF and the Potential Organizer, but it will be requested also for each championships the acceptance of the Associate Member from the country where it will be held.

The Organizer must submit to the IPF, a signed agreement to show their acceptance, the document indicating the Technical Conditions and Specifications that will be satisfied for the organization of World Juniors Championships. In that document it will be indicated the imposed IPF conditions and requirements to ensure the competitions are of the required level, considering as guideline the document: "Needs and Indications to organize a World Junior Padel Championships" (see Annex A).

- II.13.2.** The Organizer is liable to the IPF for the economic repercussions that could arise from the organization of the Competition and bear all the costs arising from it. They are also responsible for compliance with the conditions agreed upon with the IPF, clubs, installations, etc... They are also responsible for obtaining and benefiting from sponsorship or advertising income, without affecting that which corresponds to the IPF.

- II.13.3.** The Organizer will reach an agreement with all the other interested parties (promoters, sponsors, clubs, and sports installations) about all the necessary conditions to ensure the Competition runs smoothly. Likewise, the organizer must contract a Civil Liability Insurance to cover the event.

- II.13.4.** The accommodation and local transport costs of the Official Delegations of the competing Countries are included within the conditions mentioned in point II.12.1 to grant a World Junior Padel Championships for National Teams and National Pairs. The makeup of these Delegations and the days to be covered are given below in detail:

- II.13.4.1.** Delegation made up of twenty-four (24) players: four (4) for each category Under 14, Under 16 and Under 18, male and female, one (1) or two (2) captains and one (1) federation representatives. The costs the Organizer must bear are:

- Eight days stay:
 - First day: Only dinner.
 - Days 2 to 7: Breakfast, lunch, and dinner
 - Día 8: Breakfast, Lunch must be included if there is any sporting activity.
- Seven nights at the hotel
- Transport to and from the airport or station in the city where the Championships is held.
- Transport to and from the hotel and venue.

All other players signed on for the World Junior National Doubles Championships will cover their own expenses of accommodation, meals and transport, except where otherwise specified by the Organizing Committee in the Championships Documentation.

- II.13.5.** The organizer will be responsible for ensuring that the players, Organizers and IPF members have free access to the Padel installations. Right to access the remainder of the installations can be restricted in accordance with the internal rules of the venue. Competitors should be notified of these restrictions.

- II.13.6.** The IPF reserves the right to supervise the organization of all the competitions included in the Official Calendar and will require all the conditions agreed upon and covered by the form "Technical Conditions and Specifications to be satisfied for the Organization of the World Juniors Championships" and those included in the documents mentioned in point II.13.1. are to be met.

II.14. COMPETITIONS BY AGE CATEGORY

- II.14.1.** The following are the categories for competitions by age

- **Under 12:** Must not have reached the age of 12 by 1st of January of the year of the competition.
- **Under 14:** Must not have reached the age of 14 by 1st of January of the year of the competition.
- **Under 16:** Must not have reached the age of 16 by 1st of January of the year of the competition.

- **Under 18:** Must not have reached the age of 18 by 1st of January of the year of the competition.
- **Under 20:** Must not have reached the age of 20 by 1st of January of the year of the competition.

And generally:

- **Under X:** Must not have reached the age of X by 1st of January of the year of the competition.

II.14.2. The only competitions that are considered “official” are the ones for “under 14”, “under 16” and “under 18” categories. The competitions for all other categories are considered “not official”.

II.14.3. The minimum age to be eligible and be part of a Junior National Team is 11 years of age that must be reached by 1st of January of the year of the competition.

CHAPTER III. TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

III.1. GENERAL TECHNICAL REGULATIONS

III.1.1. All competitions should adopt specific IPF Rules and Regulations. In the event of any irregularity or infraction being uncovered, the Competition could be declared null and void for the classification purposes.

III.1.2. The competitions included in the Official Calendar will be played with the official FIP ball, if its distribution by the brand is ensured, using a new can of ball in each match. In the finals and semifinals, the change of balls will be made at nine (9) and eleven (11) games. For consolation and previous draws, the organizer, together with the referee, will have the power to choose whether to play with balls with a second use.

III.1.3. In the World, Continental and Regional Championships, the men’s and women’s gender categories must be held.

III.1.4. On receiving the adjudication of a Competition, the Organizer must immediately propose the name of the person responsible for it, called the Competition Manager, who will liaise with the IPF for everything relating to the technical / sports organization.

III.1.5. All matches will be played with “Golden Point” score systems.

III.1.6. Unless otherwise established for the needs of the Tournament, all matches will be played to the best of three (3) sets. In the case of a tie at six (6) games, a “Tie-Break” or “sudden death” will be played to decide the set.

III.1.7. In the case of a tie between three doubles pairs or teams in a ranked competition the solution is as shown in the rules and regulations in relation to that competition. Should there be no established regulation the following process will be followed:

In the case of a tie in Pair’s competitions:

1. use the difference between sets won and lost, only considering the result of the players in the tie, and if the tie persists;
2. use the difference between games won and lost, only considering the result of the players in the tie, and if the tie persists;
3. a coin will be flipped.

Once solved the tie between three doubles pairs and in case remain the tie between two doubles pairs, win the winner of their direct match.

In case of tie in team competitions:

1. use the difference between matches won or lost between teams only considering the result of the teams in the tie, and if the tie persists;
2. the difference between sets won or lost between teams only considering the result of the teams in the tie, and if the tie persists;
3. the difference between games won or lost between teams only considering the result of the teams in the tie, and if the

- tie persists;
4. a coin will be flipped.

Once solved the tie between three teams and in case remain the tie between two teams, win the winner of their direct match series.

For the single purpose of breaking a tie during doubles pairs or team competitions, the result of the matches in which one of the contenders does not show up will be 6/0-6/0.

Also, in case of W.O. in the second or third match in the Round-Robin group, and if are excluding major force reasons, the double pair or team shall be disqualified, and will occupy the last position in the group.

In case of two or more double pairs or teams are disqualified, the last position in the group will be decided considering the indications written at the beginning of this current article.

In the case that a match is not finished due to player injury, the result will be defined supposing that of injury the loser has not won a point.

Example: the match is stopped when the injured player was winning 6/4-5/1, result 6/4-5/7-0/66.

- III.1.8.** In ranked competitions the winning doubles pair or team will get two (2) points, the loser gets one (1) and zero (0) points for a no show.
- III.1.9.** Unless the needs of the Competition state otherwise, all matches will be played over the best of three (3) sets. In the case of tie at six (6) games a "Tie-Break" or "sudden death" will be held to decide the winner of the set.
- III.1.10.** It is the duty of the Organizer to assure that the semi-finals and finals are played on time and on the courts, they designate, always with the intention of attracting the greatest sports coverage, public and commercial interest.
- III.1.11.** The organizer should provide to the players one or more courts for training free of charge, and the Tournament Manager -or his designed assistant- will be in charge to regulate the access to them and give notice in a schedule-plan sheet, considering the received requests:
- From the morning two days before the competition starts and until its official start, allowing also to the last minute arrived teams to have time to test the court before their first match;
 - Along the competition, considering the matches schedule, and giving priority of time for the rounds of participating National Teams.
- III.1.12.** The Competitions Committee has the authority to interpret these Technical Regulations. When the existence of non-regulated issues is deduced from this interpretation, the necessary actions must be initiated to update them. Notwithstanding, in these cases, the final interpretation of the IPF competition committee must be followed when it implies immediate resolution.

III.2. REGISTRATIONS

- III.2.1.** To register for an IPF World Championship, the player must be in possession of a valid official federative license issued by a Federation / National Association that is an Associate Member and that he understands to represent.

In the event that the organization marks it, the players must pay the organizing club and before their first match, a registration fee in the established amount. The Referee will not allow a player to participate until the payment has been made up to date.

If the competition is by National Teams, the registration will be paid by the National Federation / Association.

- III.2.2.** Registrations in the World, Continental, and Regional Juniors Championships, both by National teams and by pairs, will be adjusted to what the IPF has agreed with the organizing Federation / Association or, when appropriate, with the Potential Organizer, at the time of the award. In any case, the registration will be closed on the day and time that the IPF previously indicates, as well as the IPF will communicate the date and time of the draw.

Registration for the World, Continental and Regional Team Championships must be made through the National Federation / Association. In the championship by national pairs, provided that the game format is by successive eliminatory rounds, each

Federation / National Association must register the pairs according to the maximum number allowed in point III.4.4.

Registrations will be made by any means by which there is written proof of receipt, stating the following information:

- Denominación del Campeonato o Torneo.
- Championship or Tournament name.
- Event date.
- First and surnames of players as they appear on their federation licence.
- Players' nationality.
- Licence number.
- Event in which they wish to take part: National Teams and/or National Pairs.
- Formed pairs in case of application to National Pairs Championships.
- Date of birth

The registration to the National Pairs Championships will be done by formalized pairs. The formation of the pairs can only be changed up to the moment of the end of deadlines for registration.

- III.2.3.** In the World Championships the agreement reached between the IPF and the Federation/Association of the Member Country where it is held, and the organizer will be respected. In principle, the amount raised through registration fees will correspond entirely to the organizer, who will pay to the IPF and to the National Federation or Association the agreed fee, and in absence of a written related agreement, the tournament fee will be "zero" (0)).
- III.2.4.** The signed-on participants to World Championships will be published in the IPF web page. A period of forty-eight (48) hours will be given from the time of the publication for implicated parties to present any appropriate complaints should they consider there are errors or omissions. Once this period has passed, no changes can be made and the draw could proceed, when the IPF decides.
- III.2.5.** The IPF will communicate the deadline date for the National Federations or Associations from Associate Members to declare their participation with their National Teams to the next World Championships, which will be approximately one (1) year to eight (8) months prior to the start of the World Championships.

III.3. COMPETITION DRAWS, BOXES AND DRAW SHEETS.

- III.3.1.** World and Continental Championships draws must be public and the Organizations responsible for them is the IPF, in the date, time and place that the IPF itself will decide and communicate.
- III.3.2.** In Official National Pairs Competitions, no player can enter the draw if:
 - Has an unpaid registration.
 - Does not have a current active licence.
 - Has been disqualified or has received a sanction.
 - Whose age or nationality does not correspond to the event category.
 - Whose registration arrives once the deadline has passed.

In Official National Team Competitions, teams will not be allowed to enter the draw if they represent an Associated Members that:

- Have debts with the IPF or do not have an accepted payment-plan from the IPF.
 - Are not up to date with the payment of quotas of current year.
 - Have been disqualified or received sanctions.
 - Whose registration has not arrived by the deadline set by the IPF or who have not made the prior registration in the set manner.
- III.3.3.** Types of draw sheets and their characteristics will depend on the Official Competition in question.
 - III.3.4.** In the Junior's competitions is not predicted the entry by "Wild Card". In any case, the IPF is the only entity that can grant in exceptional and particular cases a "Wild Card" (W.C.) to be able to participate in an Official Competition.
 - III.3.5.** Generally, the choice of the World, Continental and Regional Championships seeds should be based on the IPF Ranking, for

National Teams, updated of the day of the draw. The number of seeds will be always 1/4 of the registrations (rounded to the nearest whole number), except where other numbers or percentages are specified.

III.3.6. To calculate the total points of the pair, the points of both players will be summed up, if any of them appears in the Ranking they will be considered to have zero (0) points. The order of the seeds will be based on the sum of points. When two (2) or more pairs have the same number of points the order will be drawn between them.

III.3.7. The draw sheets corresponding to World Championships will be published on the IPF web system. No amendments to the published draw sheets will be made unless the IPF's Junior Committee consider it necessary

III.3.8. Once published the Entry list, it will be not allowed any change or substitution of players in the doubles.

The IPF could accept a change or substitution of player in the pairs until five (5) days prior to the date of draw, only when the change is motivated by major force cause or medical problem, properly justified.

Once the draw is made, the formation of the pairs will remain the same throughout the Competition. Nonobservance of this rule means immediate disqualification of the pair as soon as it is detected, without affecting the actions that the Discipline Committee might consider opportune.

III.3.9. A pair must withdraw from the competition if either of the players pulls out or does not turn up to play in the set period.

III.3.10. The obligation to organize the consolation competition depends on the Competition in question. In case of competitions with an initial phase of groups, it will be not necessary to organize a consolation round. Should it exist, first round losers of the respective draws will have the right to take part. No doubles pair that has lost the first round by W.O. or have won the first match W.O. and lost the second will be able to compete. Neither doubles pair that has obtained a "BYE" in the draw and then lost the match will be able to compete.

In the eventual case exists enough court availability and time to complete the consolation competition without influence to the normal development of main draws, the Umpire could accept in the consolation competition a double pair who won the first match W.O. and lost the second, and whom have obtained a "BYE" and then lost.

III.3.11. In competitions in which there is a consolation phase, the doubles pairs who have the right to play in it and desire to do so, should inform the Referee within thirty (30) minutes of the end of their match.

III.3.12. A new draw will be made with the doubles pairs that go through to the consolation, following the article III.3.5 the number of seeds being obtained by dividing by four the number of competing doubles pairs, rounding upwards or downwards to the closest power of two. In the case of identical standings, the lowest will be chosen.

The Umpire has the right and could decide to organize the consolation competition with "mirror-exit" method from the main draw, without the necessity to identify the new seeds of consolation phase and new draw.

This decision shall be communicated before the competition starts.

III.3.13. Any challenge or complaint related to the plate draw should be made in writing to the Referee before the start of the event. Once an event has been started, no change at all can be made to the draw for that event, even if the complaint is justified.

III.3.14. The National Doubles Competitions could use:

- a) a) the system of successive elimination, or
- b) Round-Robin firstly followed by successive elimination system:

The indication about the selected method to be used in the next World Championships will be done in the final call moment, considering the registered applications.

If the number of registered pairs in a certain category is five (5) or less a Round Robin will be played, with solely one group, all pairs play against each other.

- a) System of successive elimination

When the number of couples making up a draw are not a power of two, the system of “byes” will be applied which enables having this power in the second round. Those players who do not need to play the first round will be called “byes”. In the draw will appear as “BYE”.

To calculate the number of byes, the total number of registrations is taken away from the power of two immediately above. The first bye will be the number one seed; second bye, number two seed; third bye, number three seed; etc..

If, once all the seeds have been placed, there are more byes, they will be divided into two parts, one half being placed in the upper half of the draw sheet, the other half in the lower, filling in the upper part the highest empty slots and in the lower part, those that are the lowest alternatively.

When the numbers are odd, one more will be placed in the draw sheet part where the number one seed is positioned.

III.3.14.1. Seeded players will be put into the draw as follows:

- The **number one seed** will be placed in the first row of the draw and the **number two seed** in the last row.
- The **seeds three and four** will draw for their placement, not being able to meet with the one and the two until the semifinals and each other until the final.
- The **seeds five and six** will draw for their placement, not being able to face the seeds 1, 2, 3 or 4 until the quarterfinals, or each other until the final.
- The **seeds seven and eight** will draw for their placement, not being able to face the seeds 1, 2, 3 or 4 until the quarterfinals, or each other until the final.
- The **seeds nine and ten, eleven and twelve, thirteen and fourteen, fifteen and sixteen**, when there are any, will draw for their placement, not being able to face another seed until the round of 16, or each other until the quarterfinal.
- The rest of the pairs will draw their placement.

The confrontation of two pairs from the same country in the first round will be avoided. In case this happens with the last line, it will be changed to the one immediately before.

b) Round-Robin or Groups phase, followed by successive elimination system

Competitions will be held using the groups system in the first round and qualifying rounds in the second. Groups be drawn up in the form of an inverted "C" for the first two pairs in each group, and the number will depend on number of pairs competing, ensuring that each zone has no more than four pairs of players and no less than three pairs of players.

III.3.14.2. The seeds of each group will be determined according to the position in the IPF Ranking for Junior National Teams. If there are more groups than National Teams participating in the last World Championships, it will start a second rotation following the same order, until all groups have a seed. In all cases, the second rotation will be completed with the appointment of the second pairs in the group following the order of the seeds. The rest of pairs of each country registered will occupy the group assigned to it according to the draw, considering that if any country competes in a category with two or more pairs, they should try to make sure that players of the same nationality are not integrated in the same zone.

III.3.14.3. At the “groups” stage matches won will accumulate two (2) points, matches lost one (1) point and no shows (W.O.) with zero (0) points.

III.3.14.4. The top two (2) pairs classified in each group will go into the second round. Those classified in first place in the first four (4) groups will be considered seeds and in the same order. All other places will be decided by draw, done by the Head Umpire at the end of the first round. Two (2) representatives from each country may take part in the draw if desired. Two (2) pairs who played against each other in the same group should not face each other in the first match of the second round

III.4. WORLD JUNIORS BY NATIONAL PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIPS, MALE AND FEMALE

III.4.1. The World Juniors by National Pairs Championships and the World Juniors by National Teams Championships, male and female, will be held every two years, coinciding with the **odd-numbered years**.

III.4.2. Both male and female categories to be officially played are: Under 14, Under 16 and Under 18.

Unofficially the organizing country can also include categories for Under 20, Under 12 and others that could be proposed, although these categories may not have official recognition.

In general, the players must compete in their corresponding category but will be allowed to do in the next category up.

A player will never be allowed to compete in two different categories at the same World Juniors by National Pairs Championships

- III.4.3. Players must be made up of couples of the same nationality and who are in possession of a current player's license issued by the represented Associate Member and recognized by the IPF.
- III.4.4. Each National Federation or Association qualified for the Final Stage of the World Juniors Championships by National Teams may sign on a maximum of four (2) pairs per category. When a country does not register one of the pairs, that place may be filled by a pair from the host country if no other non-classified member country requests a W.C.
- III.4.5. The competitions of each category will be organized considering the art III.3.14.
- III.4.6. The seeds will be determined according to the IPF Ranking for Junior National Teams.
- III.4.7. At the "groups" stage matches won will accumulate two (2) points, matches lost one (1) point and no shows (W.O.) with zero (0) point.
- III.4.8. When selected the system of successive elimination competition and the quantity of entries are enough, the Main Draw will be made up of a maximum of thirty-two (32) pairs, both in boys as girls' categories.

Cuadro final masculino y femenino de 32 parejas:

- 32 pairs will be directly selected by the Associate Members participating in the World Juniors by National Team Championship, two (2) pairs for each one of them (16 countries)
- When a country does not register one of the pairs, that place may be filled by a pair from the host country if no other non-classified member country requests a W.C.
- If there were more places, they can be filled by pairs from the host country until the Main Draw is completed

The creation of a qualification draw for this type of competition is not contemplated.

Seeds: article III.3.14 will be applied and always avoiding the possibility that two pairs from the same country play against in the first round. In case this happens, the pair will be changed with the immediate previous pair position.

- III.4.9. When an error is detected in the draw of any of the events before they have started the draw must be repeated.

Any challenge or claim concerning the draw must be put in writing and sent to the Umpire before the event. Once begun no changes may be made to the draw corresponding this event, even if the claim was justified

III.5. WORLD JUNIORS BY NATIONAL TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIPS, MALE AND FEMALE.

- III.5.1. The World Juniors by National Pairs Championships and the World Juniors by National Teams Championships, male and female, will be held every two years, coinciding with the **odd-numbered years**.
- III.5.2. Each team is made up of a maximum of twelve (12) players, four (4) for each category, Under 14, Under 16 and Under 18.

All players must hold the nationality of the country they represent and the corresponding age for the category in which they will play.

If due to injuries or similar circumstances, a team are not able to form the pair in a particular category, they will be allowed to promote a player from the category immediately below, on the understanding that that player may not play two matches at the same team event.

A player will be permitted to register to play in the corresponding age category and registered or lined up in an age group higher than the one corresponding to his/her age. In such a case, the player won't have to remain in the same category for the entire

team competition.

Once registration done, it will be possible to change categories if allowed by corresponding age, then a player, registered in an age group higher than the one corresponding to his/her age, will be allowed to play in the applied category and in the lower category (if corresponding to his/her age).

- III.5.3.** To participate to the Championships by National Teams, it is mandatory to present a team with at least two (2) players Under 14, two (2) Under 16 and two (2) Under 18.

If it is not possible to compose a minimum and complete National Team, it will be only possible to play the championships by National Pairs, and the cost of meals and accommodation will be assumed by the Associate Member of the country who apply, unless the organizer proposes another solution.

- III.5.4.** When registering, in addition to the names of all the players on the team and the category of each one of them, the passport numbers, the federation license numbers, and the date of birth will be displayed (see III.2.3).

Also, the name of the captains who may be substituted if, in case of force majeure, the head coach will not be able to attend the tournament will also be announced. The reserve captain must be authorized by the organization upon his arrival.

- III.5.5.** The captain is responsible for:

- Being in contact with Judge Umpire.
- Communicate the match times, instructions etc. to their players.
- Monitor punctuality and sportsmanship of their players.
- Enforce and ensure their players comply with everything stipulated in these regulations.

- III.5.6.** Each team encounter will be played over the best of three (3) matches: one pair of Under 14 players, one pair of Under 16 and one pair of Under 18, without any player being able to participate in more than one match.

It is mandatory to present the required three pairs except in the case of injury which occurs during the duration of the said competition.

- III.5.7.** Thirty minutes prior to the start of each qualifying round, the captains must hand in the details of their team in duplicate.

The Main Umpire will submit a copy of the teams to each Captain.

Captains will have fifteen (15) minutes to present any challenge of the rival teams. If an objection concerning the makeup of the opposing teams is accepted by Umpire or an abnormality is found, the team will be requested to rearrange the team order, without infringing on any actions that the disciplinary Committee may take.

- III.5.8.** Any challenge must be submitted in writing before the start of the round.

- III.5.9.** The captain may vary the formation of their teams in each round.

- III.5.10.** The four (4) players or each category can be freely combined to compose the corresponding pair.

- III.5.11.** Once the list of players playing in the confrontation has been sent, no player can be substituted, unless it is due to an error or a challenge, and the referee requests it.

- III.5.12.** The three matches may be held in the following way:

- Simultaneously, playing the round in three (3) courts. If the matches are played simultaneously another qualifying round may not be started until those matches started have finished or at least are in progress.
- Mix, playing the round in one (1) court initially, with the match of Under 14, and when this match has finished, continuing the round in two (2) courts simultaneously, with the matches of Under 16 and Under 18.
- Consecutively, playing in one (1) court only in the following order: Under 14 plays first, Under 16 second and Under 18 last

In case of major force or climatic conditions and for the benefit of competition development, the Umpire could modify, giving previous notice to the captains, the way of round playing.

- III.5.13.** Once the round has started, each match won will give one (1) point, if one pair, or either a player from the pair is not present or defeat due to injury, the team loses the point of this pair.

The W.O. will be considered as lost match with result 6/0-6/0 when necessary to define tie, and the match leaving due to injury will be considered as no other game was won until the match finish. (i.e., leaving the match due to injury losing the first set 6/3 and partial score 2/5 in the second set ... it will be signed 6/3-7/5)

When playing the group phase and a triple tie occurs, the following criteria will be applied to break the tie:

- first criteria: use the difference between matches won or lost between teams only considering the result of the three teams in the tie, will classify first the higher result from won less lost matches, and if the tie persists;
- second criteria: use the difference between sets won or lost between teams only considering the result of the teams in the tie, will classify first the higher result from won less lost sets, and if the tie persists;
- third criteria: use the difference between games won or lost between teams only considering the result of the three teams in the tie, will classify first the higher result from won less lost games.

The criteria will be successively applied in the order (1st, 2nd, and 3rd criteria) along the triple tie is maintained. Once solved the tie between three (3) teams and in case remain the tie between two (2) teams, win the winner of their direct match series.

If after applying the above criteria to break the tie between the three (3) teams the results were not reached, a coin will be flipped. Once solved the tie between three (3) teams by coin flipped, will remain the tie between two (2) teams, and win the winner of their direct match series.

- III.5.14.** La The final Stage of the World Junior by National Team Championships will have a maximum of sixteen (16) men's and sixteen (16) women's teams. If the number of teams signed on is higher a preliminary or qualifying round should be played. If the number of teams signed on is lower, the Groups compositions will depend on the number of participating Teams.

When the number of National Teams signed on will be sixteen (16), four (4) Groups of four (4) National Juniors Teams will be composed.

When the number of National Teams signed on will be five (5) or less, a Round-Robin unique Group will be composed, playing all Teams against each other, and without second phase draw sheet.

When the number of National Teams signed on will be less than three (3), the Championships will be not organized.

- III.5.15.** If in the Final Stage there is less than sixteen (16) and more than five (5) National Teams, the IPF and the Organizing Committee will decide the National Team competition system. If it is decided to maintain the groups formation in the first stage, the quantity of groups and the quantity of teams per group will corresponds to the following table:

REGISTERED TEAMS	GROUPS	TEAMS PER GROUP
16	4	4+4+4+4
15	4	3+4+4+4
14	4	3+3+4+4
13	4	3+3+3+4
12	4	3+3+3+3
11	3	3+4+4
10	3	3+3+4
9	3	3+3+3
8	2	4+4
7	2	3+4
6	2	3+3
5	1	5

III.5.16. If any of the teams who have participated in a World Junior Championship do not register for the following one, they will lose their corresponding rights as qualifiers.

III.5.17. Teams that have not competed in the previous World Championship will occupy the last places and their order will be determined by the IPF Official Ranking for National Juniors Teams; or for the results of the Qualifying Round in case it is only one organized; and if there are more than one qualifying rounds, divided in two (2) or more Continents, at a complete IPF full decision; or finally by a draw if no qualifying round was organized and no position occupied in the IPF Official Ranking for National Juniors Teams.

III.5.18. PRELIMINARY OR QUALIFICATION ROUND

In the case of more than sixteen (16) men's and women's teams registered, a preliminary round will be played taking the following into consideration:

Automatically classified the National Teams who has been occupied the first twelve (12) positions in the World Junior by National Teams Championships last edition.

If the National Team of the Associate Member who organize the World Junior Championships is includes in the twelve (12) above indicated teams, it will automatically qualify. In the contrary, the National Team of the Associate Member who organize the Championships will occupy the twelfth (12) position.

Not direct qualified teams will be included in continental groups and will play for the places who give access to Final Stage.

In the case it has been held in the intermediate period, between the last World Junior Championships and the next, and in all Continents the correspondent Continental Juniors Championships, their results will be used to define the available places, and then will be considered valid as preliminary or qualifying rounds.

The distribution of places per continent, or the need groups conformation, will be decided by the IPF's Juniors Committee.

III.5.19. As it is impossible to predict the number of possible different situations which could occur in the Organization of the qualifying round in each continent, once closed the pre-registration, the IPF will decide about the qualification system.

III.5.20. When the National Teams number who must participate to the qualifying round in one Continent, or in a group of Continents, is higher than three (3), it will be promoted the qualifying competition organization in just one place. The IPF and the Associate Member who presented the candidacy to host the Preliminary or Qualifying Round will define and agree about the participation conditions.

III.5.21. In any case the Qualifying Round must be finished before the Final Stage starts.

III.5.22. FINAL STAGE

The World Junior National Teams Championships Final Phase is divided in two parts: one groups phase and a direct successive eliminatory phase.

In the fist part all teams in the group play against other (Round-Robin).

National Teams Registered: Twelve (12) to sixteen (16)

First Part.

Teams will be allocated in four (4) groups:

Group A, with seed the National Team who occupy the position number one (1) of the IPF Ranking for National Juniors Teams

Group B, with seed the National Team who occupy the position number two (2) of the IPF Ranking for National Juniors Teams

Group C, with seed the National Team who occupy the position number three (3) of the IPF Ranking for National Juniors Teams

Group D, with seed the National Team who occupy the position number four (4) of the IPF Ranking for National Juniors Teams

The National Teams names who occupy the position numbers n° 5, n° 6, n° 7 and n° 8 of the IPF Ranking for National Juniors Teams, will be put in a draw to define the second National Team of each Group A, B, C and D.

if more than eight (8) National Teams have signed up, the National Teams names who occupy the position numbers n° 9, n° 10, n° 11 and n° 12 of the IPF Ranking for National Juniors Teams, or have reached the Final Phase due to Qualifying, or because is the National Team of the Associate Member Organizer of the country where the Championships held, will be put in a draw to define the third National Team of each Group A, B, C and D, taking into account the signed up applications.

Subsequently, if up to sixteen (16) National Teams have been registered, the names of the teams that occupy positions No. 13, No. 14, No. 15 and No. 16 of the IPF Ranking by National Teams for minors will be placed in a ballot box and proceed to a draw per draw to define the fourth National Team of each Group A, B, C and D.

If there are not sixteen (16) registered Teams, the first draw will be placed in Group D, the second in Group C and the third in Group D, as appropriate depending on the registered.

Second Part

Winners against winners, losers against losers, define all positions, as indicated in the following schemes.

If the signed on National Teams are less than sixteen (16) the same exit to draw sheet will be maintained, with all necessary "BYE" in the draw sheet part where are defined the positions 9° to 16°.

GROUP A				

GROUP B				

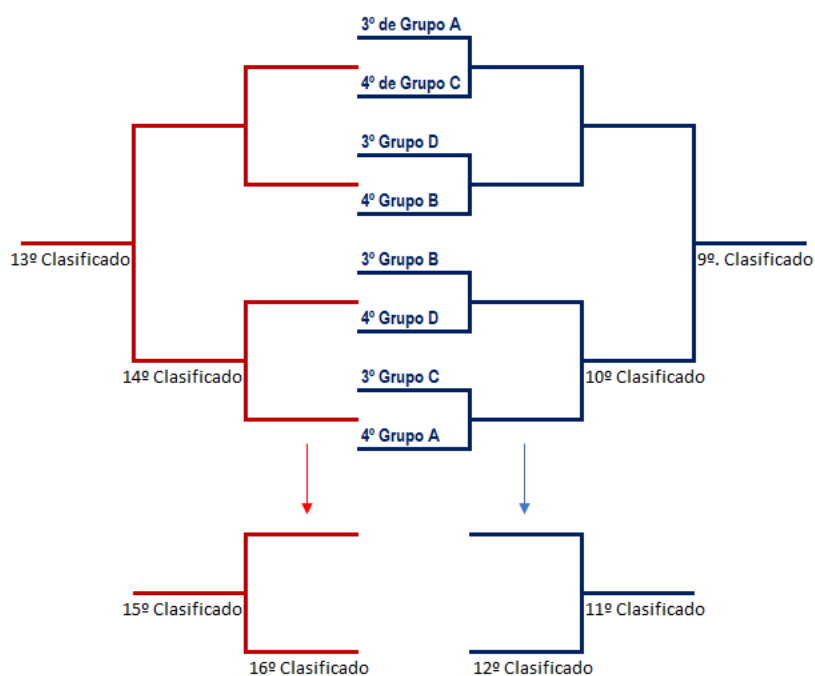
GROUP C				

GROUP D				

Positions 1 to 8 Draw



Positions 9 to 16 Draw



Registered National Teams: six (6) to eight (8))

First part.

Teams will be allocated in two (2) groups.

Group A, with seed the National Team who occupy the position number one (1) of the IPF Ranking for National Juniors Teams

Group B, with seed the National Team who occupy the position number two (2) of the IPF Ranking for National Juniors Teams

The National Teams names who occupy the position numbers n° 3 and 4 of the IPF Ranking for National Juniors Teams, will be put in a draw to define the second National Team of each Group A and B.

The National Teams names who occupy the position numbers n° 5 and 6 of the IPF Ranking for National Juniors Teams, will be put in a draw to define the third National Team of each Group A and B.

In the following, if signed on seven (7) National Teams, the National Teams name who occupy the position numbers n° 7 of the IPF Ranking for National Juniors Teams, or have reached the Final Phase due to Qualifying, or because the National Team of the Associate Member Organizer of the country where the Championships held, will be allocated in the Group B.

In the case were signed on eight (8) National Teams, the National Teams names who occupy the position numbers n° 7 and n° 8 of the IPF Ranking for National Juniors Teams, or have reached the Final Phase due to Qualifying, or because is the National Team of the Associate Member Organizer of the country where the Championships held, will be put in a draw to define the fourth National Team of each Group A and B.

Second part.

Winners against winners, losers against losers, define all positions, as indicated in the following schemes.

If the signed on National Teams are less than eight (8) the same exit to draw sheet will be maintained, with all necessary "BYE" in the draw sheet part where are defined the positions 5° to 8°, or will be organized a Round-Robin group

6 TEAMS

First Stage

GROUP A			

GROUP B			

Second Stage

7 TEAMS

First Stage

GROUP A			

GROUP B				

Second Stage



Position 5 – 7	3º Group A	3º Group B	4º Group B
3º Group A			
3º Group B			
4º Group B			

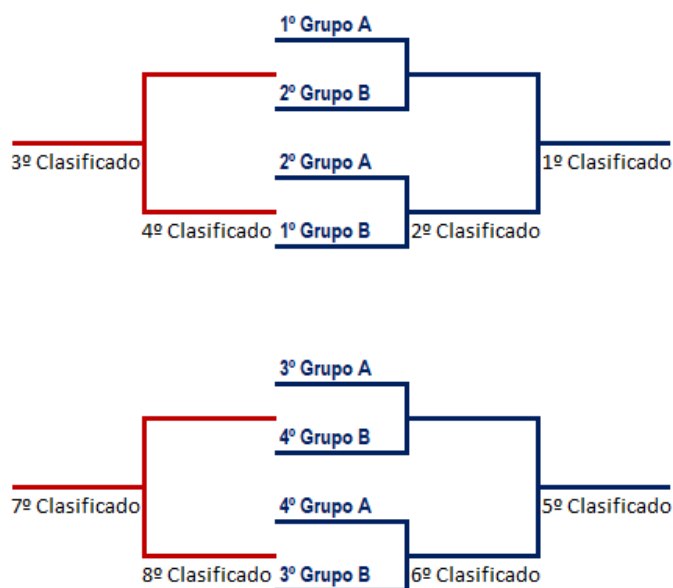
8 TEAMS

First stage

GROUP A				

GROUP B				

Second Stage



III.6. WORLD JUNIORS OPEN BY PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIPS, MALE AND FEMALE

III.6.1. The World Open Junior Championships, male and female doubles, will be held every two years, coinciding **with even-numbered years**.

III.6.2. The participating doubles should apply for the following requirements:

- each player must hold a federative official licence in effect issued by a National Federation/Association that is an Associated Member recognized by the IPF.
- Each player must compete in their corresponding category but will be allowed to do in the next category up.
- The considered ages are the ones reached along the year of competition (see II.13))

III.6.3. The main draw will be made up of a maximum of 32 men and women pairs.

Main draw. 32 pairs

- 12 highest-ranked pairs of the IPF Individual Ranking updated at the time of the draw.
- 12 highest-ranked pairs in the Pan-American Individual Ranking updated at the time of the draw.
- 4 best-ranked couples in the Asia-Pacific Individual Ranking updated at the time of the draw.
- 4 pairs from the Qualification draw played immediately before the Main Draw.

Qualifying draw. 32 pairs.

- 1 pair from any Associate Member who send a request, unless they have already been invited by the IPF to the Main draw, both players must have the same nationality.
- 4 pairs from the Pre- Qualification draw held before the Qualification draw.
- Rest of pairs direct, the best classified signed on following the valid IPF Individual Ranking and without direct access to the Main Draw, until the draw sheet is completed.

Pre- Qualification draw

- Open to all players with federative licence who do not comply with the conditions to have direct access to the Final Phase Draw Sheet or Qualifying Draw Sheet. The draw sheet capacity will be defined considering the organizing and logistic capability of the Organizer

III.6.4. The order of the seeds and the preparation of the draws in the World Juniors Open by Pairs Championships will be made according to the Individual Ranking of the IPF

III.7. CONTINENTAL AND REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The corresponding specific Regulations will be prepared when the Continental and Regional Federations have been created and recognized by the FIP, until then the Continental and Regional Championships will be governed by the rules of this document:

CHAPTER IV: REGULATIONS FOR THE I.P.F. RANKING

IV.1. GENERAL PRINCIPALS

- IV.1.1.** Rank: Is to place the names of each player in their corresponding order, based on the results obtained in the twelve (12) months prior to publication of the classification.
- IV.1.2.** The World Open Juniors Championships and the International Juniors Tournaments included the IPF official calendar will apply to official international IPF Individual Ranking.
- IV.1.3.** Rankings will be done weekly, but only in case of official included in the Official Tournaments Calendar reflected in the official IPF web page has been celebrated
- IV.1.4.** The IPF Ranking for National Juniors Teams will take into account firstly the international classification in the last World Juniors Championships, secondly the previous World Juniors Championships, and if decided by the corresponding IPF's Committee, could also take into consideration the international classification of last Continental Juniors Championships:

IV.2. POINTS SYSTEM

- IV.2.1.** The points awarded by players will be based on the evaluation of each competition category:

IV.2.2. The points awarded in the official International Juniors Tournaments, besides the FIP PROMISES tournaments, will be the corresponding to FIP STAR, multiplied by a coefficient, based on:

- 10 years old 0,15
- 11-12 years old 0,30
- 13-14 years old 0,45
- 15-16 years old 0,60
- 17-18 years old 0,75

IV.2.3. Distribution of points by tournament of the FIP PROMISES circuit.

All the qualifying events of the FIP PROMISES EUROPE circuit will award points for the European ranking, as well as the European Open Championship for National Couples and the Pan-American Championship will award points for the International Ranking.

All these tests will have a score expressed in stars, which will define the points assigned to each round, according to the table that is included. The stars assigned to each test of minors are detailed below:

- FIP FINALS Promises: 30 stars Ranking
- FIP Promises: 16 or more pairs: 26 stars Ranking
- FIP Promises: 12 to 15 pairs: 24 stars Ranking
- FIP Promises: 8 to 11 pairs: 23 stars Ranking
- FIP Promises: 5 to 7 pairs: 22 stars Ranking
- Less than 5 pairs will not count for the ranking.

Point table Start/points:

STARS	WINNER	FINALIST	SEMIS	1/4 FINALS	1/8 FINALS	1/16 FINALS	1/32 FINALS	1/64 FINALS
30	1600	1350	1150	950	800	650	550	454
26	1120	946	806	666	560	454	385	313
24	900	760	648	535	450	364	308	248
23	800	676	576	476	400	324	274	216
22	700	591	504	416	350	283	239	187

IV.2.4. For the points system of IPF Individual Ranking, please refer to the Technical Rules of IPF Tournaments. The IPF reserves the right to annually review the tournaments categories and related points table.

IV.2.5. The World Open Juniors Doubles Championships will have the maximum available points reserved to Juniors Tournaments, decided and communicated by the IPF.

IV.2.6. Ranking protected

IV.2.6.1. The protected ranking is a system that is established, solely, to guarantee certain players who take advantage of this system, a certain position in the individual FIP ranking for the purpose of drawing the tables in the Tournaments.

IV.2.6.2. The protected ranking may be requested by those players who have suffered an injury, and this has kept them out of the competition for a time greater than four (4) months and are located at the time of the injury among the top sixty (60) positions of the individual male FIP ranking or among the first thirty (30) of the individual female FIP ranking. The injury must be duly accredited by a medical certificate.

IV.2.6.3. The player who wishes to take advantage of this system must send a written request to the FIP Secretariat, requesting the

benefit of this regime and attaching the corresponding medical certificate, where the type of injury must be stated.

- IV.2.6.4. Once the protected ranking is granted to the player, this ranking will be maintained during the first five (5) competitions he plays.
- IV.2.6.5. For the application of the protected ranking, the position of the player in the individual FIP ranking at the time of injury will be taken. In this way, for the purposes of the draw for the competition, the player who enjoys the benefit of the protected ranking will be awarded the same number of points as the player who, according to the individual FIP ranking in force at that time, occupies the same position held by the player with a protected ranking at the time of his injury.
- IV.2.6.6. The protected ranking will only display its effects in relation to the draws for the positions in the competition tables. In this way, the player receiving the protected ranking will appear, for all other purposes, in the individual official ranking of the FIP in the position that his real points grant him, and not in the position he had at the time of the injury.

CHAPTER V. FINAL REGULATION

V.1. INTO FORCE VALIDITY

The present Technical Regulations shall come into force the day following their approval by the Board of Directors of the IPF, and has to be ratified by the first available Annual General Meeting.

ANNEX A

REQUIREMENTS INDICATIONS FOR ORGANISING A WORLD JUNIOR PADEL CHAMPIONSHIP

All those National Federations/Associations of affiliated countries wishing to organize a World Junior Padel Championships may make a bid request to the International Padel Federation, fixing the conditions they are prepared to meet which must follow the ideal situations as those indicated below.

1. FACILITIES

COURTS

- Central Court and ten (10) reglementary courts. All in the same venue, if there were two (2) venues (never more than two venues) they would have to be close to each other and with perfect communication.

- At least the Central Court must have a security zone that allows you to play the ball from the outside.
- Both the Center Court and court No. 1 must have stands to the public.
- Lighting on all courts.
- Referee judge's chair on Center Court
- Streaming on Center Court and court No. 1
- Same type of surface on all courts. They will be accepted to be different when installing mobile court or some courts are outdoors and others indoors.

STANDS

- The Center Court must have at least a capacity of 500 people.
- Reserved VIP Stage Zone
- Reserved area players/coaches
- Reserved press area

LOCKER ROOMS

- Female and Male.
- If there are 2 installations in both there must be changing rooms (F and M).
- Towels available.
- Minimum 6 showers in each locker room.

RESTAURANT / CAFETERIA

- Sports menu.
- Bars in the Enclosures.

PLAYERS ROOM

- Capacity between 50-70 people.
- With Wi-Fi connection.
- Personnel surveillance at the door.

VIP LOUNGE

- Capacity between 25-50 people.
- With Wi-Fi connection.
- Personnel surveillance at the door.

PHYSIOTHERAPY ROOM AND MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

- 1 physical therapist on Central Court
- Minimum at each location where the competition is contested.
- Ambulance at each location

STAFF/SERVICE FACILITY MAINTENANCE

- Have maintenance and cleaning personnel for as long as the competition requires, with the ability to replace broken glass, net arrangements, tensioners, clamping cables, etc..

INFORMATION ABOUT FACILITIES

- Scale plan of the facilities including the courts area, bleachers, village area, dining area, changing rooms, etc...

OPERATIONAL AREA FOR THE REFEREE TEAM

- Tent or office with availability of tables, chairs, Wi-Fi or Internet connection, printer, panel to display communications, equipment and various office instruments.

PRESS ROOM

- Tent or office with availability of tables, chairs, Wi-Fi or Internet connection, printer, panel to display communications, monitors, equipment and various office instruments.

VILLAGE

- With institutional tents
- Commercial
- Leisure and food

2. INFRASTRUCTURE

SPEAKERS

- At least on Center Court and court No. 1

RESULTS PANELS

- Video score on Center Court
- Well-visible updated draws of the National Team Championship and the Championship by National Pairs, on-site and at the hotels where the players are staying.

ANTHEMS AND FLAGS

- Anthems from all participating countries.
- Flags of all participating countries.

3. SERVICES

PRESIDENT, SUPERVISOR AND FIP DIRECTOR

- The Organizer will take care of the President, Supervisor and/or director of the FIP tickets, accommodation, and support.
- You must pick them up at the airport upon arrival and transfer them to the airport upon departure.
- You must provide transport between the hotel and venues.
- In addition, the Organization will make available to the Chair a Meeting Room where General Assembly meetings can be prepared and held.

TRANSFERS

- Pick up delegations at Airports/Stations and transportation to the hotel.

- Transfer Hotel/Sports Facilities/Hotel daily in several shifts, if necessary.
- Transfer of delegations to Airports/Stations on the day of departure.
- Provide information on the distance between the hotel and the facilities, estimating the time required to travel from one to the other.

LODGING

- Accommodation for all members of the official delegations registered in the Juniors Championship:
 - 7 nights hotel per delegation (Sunday to Sunday next week)
- Hotel of minimum category of three (3) stars, or in Hostel or Sports Center controlled with sufficiently satisfactory guarantees of safety and conditions of hygiene and hospitality (a report will be required and if necessary, the visit of supervisor FIP will be organized for acceptance).
- Discounts on hotels for direct family members.

MEALS

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner for all members of the official delegations registered in the Championship from the first night of the hotel included.
- Large dining hours.
- It is preferable that breakfast and dinner can be made at the hotel. Lunches at the hotel, sports facilities or in places close to them.

TOWELS

- Towels will be provided to players from the final stages, both in pairs and national teams.

DRINKS & FRUITS

- Players must have water and isotonic drinks on the court.
- The availability of fruit (at least bananas) is advised.

GIFTS

- A gift per participant is recommended.

4. ORGANIZATION

REGISTERED DELEGATIONS

- Men's team: 12 players + 1 Coach
- Women's team: 12 players + 1 Coach
- Federative Delegate

PERSONAL ORGANIZATION

- Supervisor FIP.
- Director of the World Championships. It is proposed by the Federation/National Organizing Association with FIP's acceptance. Otherwise, the FIP names it directly.

- Main Judge Umpire. It must be bilingual: Spanish and English (verified by the FIP in an interview). It is proposed by the Federation/National Organizing Association and the FIP must accept it. Otherwise, it is proposed and named by the FIP directly.
- Arbitral team: in addition to the Main Judge Umpire, it must consist of a minimum of three referees who may exercise the functions of Deputy Umpire, Assistant Umpire and Chair Umpires. They are proposed by the Federation/National Organizing Association, approved by the FIP.
- Medical service and ambulances. There must be health coverage at the facility.
- Physical therapist.
- The organizer must take the necessary security measures for the best development of the event.

OFFICIAL EVENTS AND EVENTS

- Presentation to the Media, Radio, TV, Web, etc.
- Inauguration act. National Teams Parade and Oath Ceremony.
- Act of closing and handing out trophies.
- Players Party.

The protocol of all these Acts should be submitted for approval by the FIP. The President of the FIP will always participate and grant the trophies in the award ceremony, both women's and men's competitions.

5. GRAPHIC MATERIAL (FIP Design)

The FIP logo should appear on all graphic material in a prominent place, and in size, at least like the most important of the sponsors.

CARTEL (Design by FIP)

- Shipping/Delivery to all Affiliate Members.
- Printing and decoration in the club and hotels.

INVITATIONS AND TICKETS

- The Organizer must reserve the number of free tickets agreed with the FIP for access by the related staff and the participating Federations, therefore and in the case of a competition with restricted public access or subject to entry payment for access to the dispute venue, the Organizer must provide for free delivery before the start of the competition, of at least:
 - two (2) tickets or accreditations for each participating player and for each accredited coach.
 - four (4) tickets or accreditations for each accredited federal leader.
 - The President of the FIP or his representative will have as many free tickets and/or accreditations as they need according to their needs.
- Shipping/Delivery to all Affiliate Members.

ACCREDITATIONS

- Types: Player, Coach, Judge Umpire, Federative, Press, VIP, Volunteer, Organization, Security, Medical Service
- It is recommended that it has a photo in addition to the first name, surname and country.
- It will be necessary to show a passport to collect the accreditations.

ADVERTISING MATERIAL

- Respect the agreements of the global sponsors of the FIP
- The rights of T.V. of the World Championships are the property of the FIP who will negotiate with the Organizer the transfer thereof and the conditions under which such assignment occurs.

- Adhesive vinyl to be put on a glass court must be screen-printed on both sides and tied to the outside of back walls, up to a maximum height from the floor of 40 centimeters and with the same background color.
- There may be all kinds of advertising media placed between the game court and the seats of the spectators, if they do not impede or hinder the vision and the game itself or invade the Security and Outside Play zone.
- Attached banners off the slopes, except in the center court and in No. 1 court, if they do not hinder the vision or the game.
- Painted or screen-printed posters, or stickers placed on the ground, between the net and the serve line, provided they do not alter the ball can, or make it different from the rest of the surface or cause physical danger to players.
- Advertising on opaque wall court. Attached banners outside the face of the fences, only if they do not impede or hinder vision or play.
- World Championship merchandising products free for sale but subject to a royalty of 5% to the FIP for the planned sale and delivery of 5% of the material produced for distribution due to institutional needs.

TROPHIES AND AWARDS

- World National Team Championship:
 - Trophy for the Champion team and 14 gold medals for players (12) and Captains (2). Female and Male.
 - Trophy for the runner-up team and 14 silver medals for players (12) and Captains (2). Female and Male.
 - Trophy for the third-placed team and 14 bronze medals for players (12) and Captains (2). Female and Male.
- World Pairs Championship:
 - Two Trophies for each U-18 champion pair. Female and masculine.
 - Two Trophies for each under-18 runner-up pair. Female and masculine.
 - Two Trophies for each third U-18 ranked pair. Female and masculine.
 - Two Trophies for each U-16 champion pair. Female and masculine.
 - Two Trophies for each under-16 runner-up pair. Female and masculine.
 - Two Trophies for each third U-16 ranked pair. Female and masculine.
 - Two Trophies for each U-14 champion pair. Female and masculine.
 - Two Trophies for each under-14 runner-up pair. Female and masculine.
 - Two Trophies for each third U-14 ranked pair. Female and masculine.
 - A diploma, platelet or trophy may be awarded for participation.

COMMITTEES

- Honor Committee. The President of the FIP shall be included
- Organizing Committee. A member of the FIP shall be included