



Indoor Volleyball Competition Manual

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1 INDOOR VOLLEYBALL

1.1 General Information

Dates	17-24 June 2024 (Pending submission of numerical entry forms)
Venue	Marshall Islands High School Gym
Technical Meeting	TBD
Competition Manager	Dustin Langidrik +692 4556469 dlangidrik@cmi.edu
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2 COMPETITION DETAILS

2.1 Technical Committee

Technical Delegate	Sam Montalvo
Competition Manager	Dustin Langidrik

One representative from each participating member association.

2.2 Officials

- 2.2.1 Floor officials for the tournaments will be drawn from accredited referees nominated by the participating MGAS. All MGAs entering teams are expected to send one suitable referee per team. Referees will be assigned to games and evaluated under the supervision of Oceania Zonal Volleyball Association (OZVA) and the International Volleyball Federation (FIVB). Table officials will be supplied and assigned by the host country, in consultation with OZVA. All officials must attend the official clinics to be presented by the Representative of FIVB.

3 CONDUCT OF THE TOURNAMENT

3.1 Competition Date/Venue

- 3.1.1 The MAJOL2024 Indoor Volleyball competition will be held 17-24 June 2024 (Pending submission of numerical entry forms).

3.1.2 The competition will be held at the Marshall Islands High School Gym, which is on the Athletes' Village grounds.

3.2 Practice Schedule

3.2.1 This will be determined at a later date and distributed to all teams when they arrive.

3.3 Competition Schedule

3.3.1 To be finalized during technical meeting, following final registration through Accreditation and Sport Entry System May 15 deadline and consultation with the technical delegate.

3.4 Events

3.4.1 The competition will be comprised of two tournaments: a men's division and a women's division.

3.5 Technical Committee

3.5.1 Two (2) Representatives from each Team may attend the Technical Meeting. The Technical Delegate will welcome and preside over the meeting. All matters pertaining to the competition will be covered at this Meeting.

3.5.2 Key Competition Officials including SIC Manager, Call Room Manager and Volleyball Referees will be present to answer any questions.

3.5.3 The MAJOL2024 Technical Committee shall consist of two representatives from the host country and one representative from each of the competing MGAs all with voting rights..

3.5.4 The Technical Committee shall be chaired by the Technical Delegate or the chair will be appointed by the Technical Delegate.

3.5.5 The Technical committee is responsible to ensure that the MAJOL2024 Volleyball competition is conducted in accordance with the technical rules and regulations of the FIVB as established by the MAJOL2024 OC in conjunction with the Technical Committee, as well as to oversee the competition schedule and rule on any and all protests brought to its attention.

3.6 Technical Committee Meeting

3.6.1 The Technical Meeting will be held no more than 48 hours prior to the commencement of the competition. Schedule will be communicated prior to your arrival. Visit Sport Information Center (SIC), located in the Athletes' Village, for technical meeting schedules.

3.7 Agenda

1	Welcome remarks by the Competition Manager
2	Introduction of Relevant Key Competition Technical Officials
3	Final Timetable
4	Confirmation of the Jury of Appeal
5	Protests and Appeals to the Jury
6	Confirmation of Entries
7	Failure to Participate
8	Medal Ceremonies and Procedures
9	Draws
10	Venue visit
11	Other Concerns

3.8 Competition Format

3.8.1 The MAJOL2024 Indoor Volleyball Competition shall take place in both Men's and Women's Divisions following FIVB Rules.

3.8.2 The men's and women's competitions will both be pool play or round robin depending on the number of teams that are registered.

3.8.3 Changes to the format will be determined by the Technical Delegate at the Technical Meeting based on seeding from previous games and number of registered teams.

3.8.4 If two or more teams are tied on competition points, they will be separated firstly by set quotients:

* Number of all sets won divided by number of all sets lost if still tied, the teams will then be separated by points quotient

* Total points scored divided by total points lost during all sets

- 3.8.5 If teams are still tied, they will be separated by the toss of a coin.
- 3.8.6 If the tie in Points Quotient is between three or more teams, the teams will be separated by taking into consideration only the matches in which they were opposed to each other.
- 3.8.7 All matches will be best of 3-out-of-5. The team which first scores 25 points with a minimum lead of two points wins a set (except a deciding 5th set). In case of a 24-24 tie, play is continued until a two point's lead is achieved. (e.g.: 26-24; 27-25...).
- 3.8.8 Scoring is "Rally Points."
- * If the serving team wins a rally, it scores a point and continues to serve.
 - * If a receiving team wins a rally, it scores a point and must serve next.

3.9 Participating Teams

- 3.9.1 Final Number of team entries will be known after the submission deadline of May 15.
- 3.9.2 Fourteen (14) players maybe recorded in the score sheet and play in a match provided that team registers two Liberos.

4 RULES & REGULATIONS

4.1 Entries

- 4.1.1 A team may consist of up to 14 players maybe recorded in the score sheet and play in a match provided that team registers two Libero.

4.2 Starting Line Up

- 4.2.1 Before the start of each set, the coach has to present the starting line-up of team on a line-up sheet. This sheet is submitted duly signed to the second referee or the scorer.
- 4.2.2 The players who are not in the starting line-up of a set are the substitutes for that set (except for the libero).
- 4.2.3 Once the line-up sheet has been signed by the coach and delivered, no

change in the line-up is authorized without normal substitution.

4.2.4 If there is a discrepancy between the line-up sheet and actual position of the players, the players must move to the positions indicated on the line-up sheet before the start of the set. There will be no penalty.

4.2.5 If one or more players on the court are not registered on the line-up sheet, the players on the court must be changed according to the line-up sheet without penalty.

4.2.6 However, if the coach wishes to keep such non-registered player(s) on the court, the coach has to request regular substitution (s) which will then be recorded on the score sheet.

4.3 Rotation Order

4.3.1 Rotation order as determined by the starting line-up has to be maintained throughout the set. There must always be six players per team in Play. Players must be in correct rotational order and position as per FIVB rule.

4.4 Substitution of Players

4.4.1 Definition: A substitution is the act by which player, after being recorded by the scorer, enters the game to occupy a position of another player, who must leave the court (except for the libero).

4.4.2 A substitution requires the referee's authorization.

4.4.3 Six substitutions is the maximum permitted per team per set. One or more players may be substituted at the same time.

4.4.4 A player of the starting line-up may leave the game and re-entered, but only once in a set, and only to his/her previous position in the line-up.

4.4.5 A substitution player may enter the game only once per set, in the place of a player in the starting line-up, and he/she can only be replaced by the same player.

4.5 Libero Player

4.5.1 Each team has the right to designate, from the list of players on the score-sheet up to TWO specialized defensive player, known as the "Liberos". If a

team has more than 12 players recorded in the scoresheet, TWO Liberos are mandatory in the team list.

- 4.5.2 All libero must be recorded on the score sheet before the match in the special line reserved for this. The libero's number must also be recorded on the line up sheet for the first set.
- 4.5.3 The Libero on court is the Acting Libero, only one Libero maybe on court at any time.
- 4.5.4 The libero must wear a uniform (or jacket/bib for the re-designated libero) whose jersey at least must contrast in color with that of the other members of the team. The libero uniform may have a different design, but it must be numbered like the rest of the team.
- 4.5.5 The libero is allowed to replace any player in the back row position, the libero may only perform as a back row player and is not allowed to complete an attack hit from anywhere if at the moment of the contact the ball is entirely higher than the top of the net.
- 4.5.6 The libero may not serve, block or attempt to block. A player may not complete an attack hit from higher than the top of the net if the ball is coming from and overhead finger pass by a libero in the libero's front zone.
- 4.5.7 Replacements involving the libero are not counted as regular substitution. They are unlimited but there must be a rally between two libero's replacements. The libero can only be replaced by the player he or she replaced.
- 4.5.8 The libero and the replacing player may only enter or leave the court by the sideline in front of their team's bench between the attack line and the end line.

4.6 Uniforms

- 4.6.1 The player's uniform consist of a jersey, shorts, socks (the uniform) and shoes Teams are required to have two sets, "Home" and "Visitor" uniform.
- 4.6.2 The color and the design for jerseys, shorts and socks must be uniform for the team (**except for the Libero**). The uniform must be clean.
- 4.6.3 Players uniform must be numbered from 1 – 20.

- 4.6.4 The number must be placed on jersey at the center on the front and center on the back. The color and brightness of the numbers must contrast with the color and the brightness of the jerseys.
- 4.6.5 The number must be a minimum of 15 cm in height on the chest, and a minimum of 20 cm in height on the back. The stripe forming the numbers shall be a minimum of 2 cm in width.
- 4.6.6 The team captain must have on his/her jersey a stripe 8 x 2 cm underlining the number on the chest.
- 4.6.7 It is forbidden to wear uniforms of a color different from that of the other players (except for the Libero), and or without official numbers.

4.7 Team Composition

- 4.7.1 A team may consist of a maximum of 14 (it is mandatory to have two Libero) players and 2 coaches.

4.8 General Rule Guidelines

- 4.8.1 The ball may touch any part of the body.
- 4.8.2 While crossing the net, the ball may touch it (please note that this includes on service)
- 4.8.3 Only one toss of the ball to serve is allowed. Dribbling or moving the ball in the hands is allowed. The server must hit the ball within eight (8) seconds after the first referee whistles for service.

4.9 Code of Conduct

- 4.9.1 Participants must know the "Official Volleyball Rules" and abide by them.
- 4.9.2 Participants must accept referees decisions' with sportsmanlike conduct, without disputing them.

In case of doubt, clarification maybe requested only by the game captain.

- 4.9.3 Participants must refrain from actions or attitudes aimed at influencing the decision of the referees or covering faults committed by their team.

- 4.9.4 Participants must behave respectfully and courteously in the spirit of FAIR play, not towards the referees only, but towards other officials, the opponent, team mates and spectators.
- 4.9.5 Communication between members during the match is permitted.
- 4.9.6 Players, coaches, managers and team officials shall be expected to adhere to the highest standards of conduct as representatives of their home Islands.
- 4.9.7 Players, coaches, managers shall NOT consume alcoholic beverages, chewing tobacco or betel nut and shall not smoke or vape within the competition venues and Games Village.

4.10 Competition Playoff Schedule

- 4.10.1 The competition and playoff schedule will be issued by the Technical Director no later than two (2) weeks before the opening ceremony of the Micronesian Games.
- 4.10.2 Any changes in schedule must be coordinated with the Technical Director and Team Management officials in accordance with the Micronesian Games Council during the Technical Meeting in accordance to the rules and regulations of the FIVB.

5 ELIGIBILITY

5.1 Athlete Eligibility

In order to be eligible to compete at the Micronesian Games, an athlete must comply with one of the following criteria:

- (1) The athlete must have been born in any state, country, or territory which is a member of the Micronesian Games Council -- that is, Palau, Guam, CNMI, Yap, Chuuk, Pohnpei, Kosrae, Marshall Islands, Nauru, or Kiribati -- and must have lived in any of those states, countries, or territories for a period of (5) five years up to and including the start of the Games; OR
- (2) The athlete must be the child of at least one parent, or two grandparents, who were born in any state, country, or territory which is a member of the Micronesian Games Council (see above), without regard to residence; OR

- (3) The athlete must have resided in any state, country, or territory which is a member of the Micronesian Games Council (see above) for a period of (5) five years up to and including the start of the Games, AND, resides in the state, country, or territory for which the athlete will compete, as of the start of the Games, without regard to ancestry.

The temporary absence of an athlete from the territory of a member of the Micronesian Games Council for purposes such as education, sports, training, military service, and health care, or other legitimate absences of a similar kind, are not considered as interrupting a previously-established residency.

In addition, athletes must:

- (a) Complete all necessary entry and participation forms;
- (b) Not be currently under disqualification or suspension by any relevant authority;
- (c) Comply with all relevant rules and regulations of the Micronesian Games Council, the MGC Constitution, and the World Anti-Doping Code.

It is the responsibility of each participating state, country, or territory to ensure that all competitors comply with these requirements.

These requirements apply only to athletes. There are no eligibility requirements for coaches or technical officials.

Entries by name must be submitted at least 30 days prior to the start of the Games. Late entries will not be accepted. At the close of entries, the MAJOL2024 OC will communicate a list of all named competitors to each competing state, country, or territory. Each competing state, country, or territory will have 10 days to challenge the eligibility of a competitor. A \$50 bond is required for each challenge. The bond is refundable if the challenge is successful, but is forfeited if the challenge is unsuccessful.

The burden of proof of eligibility is on the sponsoring state, country, or territory, rather than the challenging state, country, or territory. In the event of a challenge, the sponsoring state, country, or territory must submit documents proving eligibility.

Challenges to athlete eligibility are made to the Micronesia Games Council Executive Board, not to the MAJOL2024 OC, which will refer them for decision

by a Disputes Tribunal, consisting of three persons appointed by the Micronesia Games Council Executive Board. All challenges to eligibility shall be decided at least 10 days prior to the start of the Games. The decisions of the Disputes Tribunal are final and may not be appealed.

A state, country, or territory whose athlete is successfully challenged and is deemed ineligible to compete will be liable for a penalty in the amount of \$100. Failure to pay the penalty means that the state, country, or territory will not be allowed to compete in the sport in which the ineligible athlete was registered.

The contents of this section are a summary of the relevant provisions of the Micronesia Games Council Constitution. While every attempt has been made to assure the accuracy of this summary, in the event of any inconsistencies between this summary and the provisions of the Micronesia Games Council Constitution, the provisions of the Constitution shall be controlling.

6 PROTESTS TO THE JURY OF APPEAL

6.1 Protest

6.1.1 Any protest must be lodged with the Competition Manager in writing in English and signed by the leader of the delegation. A check or cash in the amount of \$100.00 must be included with each protest.

6.2 Jury of Appeal

6.2.1 The Jury of Appeal shall consult, all relevant person, including the Referee and Judges. If the Jury of Appeal is in doubt, other available evidence may be considered. If such evidence, including video evidence, is not conclusive, the decision of the Referee shall be upheld. The Jury Chairman gives the jury's decision to the Competition Manager, who institutes preparation of an Amended Result, if required.

7 ATHLETES' VILLAGE

7.1 Accommodations

7.1.1 Athletes and coaches will be housed at the Marshall Islands High School campus.

7.2 Meals

- 7.2.1 Meals will be provided at each Athlete's Village cafeteria upon presentation of an accreditation card and meal voucher. Only accredited persons will be provided meals.
- 7.2.2 If the sports competition schedule conflicts with the dining hall hours, teams may request takeout meals. It's the responsibility of the Chef de Mission to request takeout meals during the CdM meeting at least 24 hours in advance and to pick up the takeout meals in the dining hall: take-out meals will not be delivered.

7.3 Medical

- 7.3.1 Primary care medical facilities (first aid) will be available, without charge, at the sports venue. More advanced care will be on call. Care other than primary care is the sole responsibility of the individual, and will be made available on the same basis (including cost) as it is to the general public.

7.4 Sport Information Center (SIC)

- 7.4.1 The SIC located at the Athletes' Village, will be open and manned during regular business hours.
- 7.4.2 The SIC is the formal communication center for the receipt and distribution of all sports information and results.
- 7.4.3 A set of daily results will be prepared, and will be distributed to each Chef de Mission at a daily morning meeting. There will be a bulletin board in the Gym on with basketball tournament results.

7.5 Transportation

- 7.5.1 Transportation will be provided for teams by the MAJOL2024 OC. Games transportation schedule will be disseminated at a later date.

7.6 Security

- 7.6.1 Security will be provided at all MAJOL2024 venues.

8 DOPING CONTROL

8.1 Random Testing

8.1.1 Athletes are advised that random drug testing will be conducted for the duration of the 2024 Micronesian Games.

8.2 Prohibited Substances

8.2.1 It is the responsibility of the athlete to check the status of all medications and refrain from using prohibited substances. Athletes who test positive for a prohibited substance will be disqualified from, including but not limited to, the 2024 Micronesian Games.

8.2.2 Complete listing of prohibited substances can be found on WADA website.

9 CODE OF CONDUCT

9.1 Conduct

9.1.1 The conduct of athletes, coaches, managers, and team officials are expected to adhere to the highest standards reflective of national pride and the spirit of the 2024 Micronesian Games. All participants shall appreciate the goodwill and regional unity that are the objectives of these Games.

9.2 Tobacco, Betel-nut, Vape, Alcohol and Drugs

9.2.1 The use and consumption of Tobacco, Betel-nut, Vape, Alcohol and Drugs in or around any Games facility is prohibited.

Good Luck to all the Teams!!!!