



GENERAL PARAMETERS OPEN WORLD CUP UNDERWATER HOCKEY

Directed to the International Community of Underwater Hockey:

The organizing committee UWH OPEN WORLD CUP COLOMBIA 2010 along with AHOSUB (association of Colombian Underwater Hockey Players) asociación de jugadores de hockey subacuático de Colombia) lays out the following conclusions in respect to the planning of the championship.

1. Dates:

10-13 of August: Pre-world cup
13 of August: Inauguration
14-22 of August: World cup
22 of August: Closing ceremony
23 Fieldtrip.

2. Regarding the organizing committee:

2.1 WAA supports as an organization and international representation of the event before the World community for Under Water hockey.

2.2 It is organized for Colombian underwater hockey players supported by the association that represents us: AHOSUB.

2.3 It does not have direct participation of C.M.A.S, but that does not exclude the participation of CMAS or its associated federations.

3. Regarding the type of event:

It is defined as an open tournament which implies.

3.1 Inclusion of 3 official categories of active competition of under water at the world level with some chances.

OPEN ELITE Man and OPEN ELITE Women.

Depending on the number of teams signed up there will be a group A and B like this:

GRUPO A:

The 8 Top Teams Open elite man classified in the last worlds Durban 2008 (France, New Zealand, South Africa, Australia, Holland, Colombia, Canada and USA).

The 8 Top Teams Open elite women classified in the last worlds Durban 2008 (Australia, South Africa, Holland, New Zealand, France, Colombia, England and Canada).



GRUPO B:

Alternatives teams by countries or clubs, Example (Colombia B, New Zealand B etc...)

GRUPO C: Approving the participation of teams (world Team) This team made up of players of different nationalities.

the idea is that nobody is left out who wants to participate.

3.2 in the JUNIOR category:

This category includes all the players that are under 23 years old until the tournament

3.3 in the MASTER category:

The master female and male categories shall be governed in the same manner as described for the open Elite men and women.

If the categories Master men and master women do not have enough equipment for the development of the relevant category that will compete with open Elite category of the group B without affecting the official classification of the group. Getting these your own ranking in the category.

3.4 Addition to the categories described the tournament to involve WORLD TEAM equipment according comply with the conditions of each of the categories.

The conditions for the formation of a team WORLD TEAM will be described later.

4. Regarding the referees:

4.1 There will be a fund to subsidize the work of 12 TOP REFERRES with level 2 during the competition, they will have to sign up in advance in order to be considered. These 12 professional referees will have to include in their work hours during the event, training hours for referees that are in the process of learning or have just begun.

4.2 Each country will have to (independent of the TOP 12 referees) sign up at least 1-2 referees that will participate in the event, unpaid.

4.3 Colombia, as it is the sight of the event will provide 10 non-professional referees, that will support the labor of the professional referees and will fill out the referees screen of the competition. .

5. Regarding registration:

5.1 The championship for the first time, has decided to exclude the registration fee for the **Champions** of the last worlds in Durban 2008 in the categories of ELITE Masculine and Feminine – **France and Australia**, respectively.

5.2 Limits and expiration dates for the first semester of 2010 are:



- Planning to participate, before January 20th
- January 21- 30: registration with 30% discount
- February 16 –March 15 : registration with 15% discount
- March 16- April 30: Discounts no longer apply.
- May 1 – June 15: 15 % extra fee.
- June 16 – the first days of worlds August 13th: 30 % extra fee.
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5.3 Total registration fee for each TEAM:

Category ELITE feminine and masculine: **2,500 USD**

Category JUNIOR and MASTER: **2,000 USD**

5.4 For Incomplete teams and/or extra players, the price will be determined, depending and in accordance with the number of participants, as soon as it is decided that there are players to form the tournament INDEPENDENT and parallel to the World Cup.

6. Regarding the official puck:

6.1 The puck that will be used during Worlds is produced specifically for the tournament, it has been tested in different pools in Colombia and its technical and physical characteristics meet the highest expectations required for competition at this level.

6.2 For each paid registration, the team will be sent one free puck in order to train and become accustomed to its features.

7. Regarding the pools:

7.1 April 2010 will be the opening of the Underwater Activities complex with the purpose of hosting the South American games in 2010, for swimming and synchronized swimming.

7.2 For the Underwater Hockey World Cup there have been technical modifications in the infrastructure of the complex to adapt to our necessities as a separate discipline within underwater activities.

7.3 The complex's exclusive use for Underwater Hockey will take place for the first time in August 2010 for our inaugural event.

8. Regarding filming:

8.1 The filming of games will be done by a local organization that does not have any contract with any private or particular entity.

8.2 We will offer at **247.tv** the possibility of transmitting the games live through our web page. (at this time there is no official agreement regarding this).



We hope that this has cleared up some of the principal points regarding this event, You are all cordially invited to come. We are counting on your participation. We want to make it clear that our intention as Underwater Hockey players is to support the integration and growth of the sport.

Cordially,

AHOSUB
Asociación de jugadores de hockey subacuático de Colombia.