

# 2008 CARIFTA WATER POLO CHAMPIONSHIPS



## SUMMONS

# XXIII CARIFTA 2008 WATER POLO COMPETITION

## 1. DATE AND VENUE

**DATE:** March 20 -24, 2008  
**VENUE:** The National Stadium Pool, Jamaica, West Indies.  
**GAMES VILLAGE:** Knutsford Court Hotel, Kingston, Jamaica  
**POOL SPECIFICATIONS:** 50m. pool, according to FINA rules

## 2. SCHEDULE

**Thursday, March 20:** Arrival of teams  
Technical Meeting – 18.00 (Hotel)  
Officials Meeting/FINA Clinic – 19.00 (Hotel)

**Friday, March 21 (Day 1):** Depending on the number of team entries:  
between 09:00 – 20.00 hrs.  
Opening Ceremony 18.00 (Pool)

**Saturday, March 22 (Day 2):** Depending on the number of team entries:  
between 16:00 – 20.00 hrs.

**Sunday, March 23 (Day 3):** Depending on the number of team entries:  
between 09:00 – 20.00 hrs.

**Monday March 24 (Day 4):** Depending on the number of team entries:  
between 09:00 – 20.00 hrs.

**Tuesday March 25:** Departure of Teams

## 3. INVITED FEDERATIONS

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|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. Antigua & Barbuda                                     | 10. Guyana                      |
| 2. France (Antilles Guyane Francaises) <b>See note 1</b> | 11. Jamaica                     |
| 3. Aruba                                                 | 12. Netherlands Antilles        |
| 4. Bahamas                                               | 13. St Lucia                    |
| 5. Barbados                                              | 14. St Vincent & The Grenadines |
| 6. Bermuda                                               | 15. Suriname                    |
| 7. Cayman Islands                                        | 16. Trinidad & Tobago           |
| 8. Dominica                                              | 17. Turks & Caicos Islands      |
| 9. Grenada                                               | 18. US Virgin Islands           |

**Note 1: France – Competitors must have been born in Martinique, Guadeloupe or French Guyana**

## **4. COMPETITION RULES**

### **4.1. THE COMPETITION**

The Competition will be conducted in accordance with FINA Rules 2005-2009 in force at the start of the competition. Depending on the number of teams a competition schedule will be made.

### **4.2. INTERPRETATIONS**

The Organizing Committee of CARIFTA Water Polo 2008 and the Jury of Appeal shall have complete authority to answer and resolve any interpretation, resolution and call relating to this Competition. Nominations for the Jury of Appeal should be submitted at the Technical Meetings.

### **4.3. AGE GROUPS**

#### **Water Polo**

Competitors will compete in the following age groups:

- a. 18 and under Male
- b. 15 and under Male
- c. 18 and under Female

The athlete's age group shall be determined by the age of the swimmer as of **midnight on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2008**.

## **5. ELIGIBILITY**

Competitors must be a citizen of the country they represent whether by birth or naturalization-provided that a naturalized citizen shall have lived in that Country for at least one year prior to that event which is also applicable to a competitor changing his affiliation from one national governing body to another - FINA Rule GR 2.5.

## **6. PRELIMINARY ENTRIES**

Preliminary Entries in each discipline must be made using the Preliminary Entry forms attached and must reach the Amateur Swimming Association of Jamaica (A.S.A.J.) by Wednesday **February 27, 2008**.

#### **Amateur Swimming Association of Jamaica (A.S.A.J.)**

Phone: (876) 920-6229; (876) 920-6230

Fax: (876) 920-6129

Email: [asaj@swimjamaica.com](mailto:asaj@swimjamaica.com)

## **7. FINAL ENTRIES**

The Final Entries must be submitted to the Amateur Swimming Association of Jamaica by **Wednesday, March 5, 2008 by 4:00 pm**.

Final Entries must include the following details:

1. Name, sex and date of birth of each participant
2. Names of qualified persons and capacity in which they are willing to serve as Technical Official (Referee or Desk Official).
3. Names of Team Officials and the position held by each official

4. Passport size photographs of each athlete, (team) official. Photographs must be submitted in electronic format as .jpg files. Each picture (.jpg file) must specify the full name and Country of the competitor. Photographs may be compressed in Zip format for efficient transmission. The zip file must be labelled with the name of the Country, team's age group and sex. Please submit separate zip files for each team.
5. Details of arrival and departure of the delegation
6. The entry should be submitted signed by the President or General Secretary of the Federation with the Association's stamp affixed and must be faxed or sent to the Amateur Swimming Association of Jamaica (A.S.A.J.) by the deadline date of Wednesday, March 5, 2008.

## **8 TEAM OFFICIALS**

**Each participating Country may include in its delegation, at the cost indicated in Section 11, the following officials:**

- A. Delegations of thirteen (13) competitors or less (1 team) will be allowed three (3) team officials,
- B. Delegations of fourteen (14) to twenty six (26) competitors (2 teams) will be allowed five (5) team officials,
- C. Delegations of twenty seven (27) to fifty two (52) competitors (3 teams) will be allowed nine (9) team officials

**NB:** Each team must have at least a minimum of eight (8) players (the maximum is thirteen (13) players).

The following persons are included in the above allocation of team officials: doctors, masseurs, physiotherapists, chaperones, managers/chefs de mission and coaches. Each of these persons must state the capacity in which they are functioning as team officials during the technical meeting on March 20, 2008.

Teams from non English-speaking countries will also be entitled to an additional official to serve as a translator. The Organizing Committee will endeavor to provide a bilingual Liaison Officer to be available throughout the competition or as required.

## **10. REGISTRATION/ACCREDITATION PROCEDURE**

- A. Upon arrival at the Hotel(s), teams will be checked and allocated into rooms based on the pre-allocation list. If no room allocation list has been provided the OC will allocate rooms prior to the team arrival.

The Head of Delegation/Manager will complete or facilitate the following:

1. Delegations will pay to the Organizing Committee the total sum of meet fees as invoiced by the host Country based on the final entries. Invoices will be sent to the National Federations prior to arrival.
2. Fees must either be paid prior to arrival or upon arrival in US dollars by travellers' cheques or cash

3. Accreditation badges will be issued to each member of the official delegation after payment has been made.
4. Submission of flags and anthems.
5. The accreditation card must be carried at all times. The loss of an accreditation card must be reported to the Competition' secretariat and will be replaced at a cost of US \$25.00.

## **11. FEES**

Meet Fees for the Competition are as follows:

1. Meet Fee – US \$50.00 per night per member of the Official Delegation (players, team officials & sanctioned meet officials) Including breakfast and dinner based upon 4 persons in a room.

If a request is made by a Federation for accommodation other than 4 persons per room, the following rates will apply;

- Triple rooms – US \$ 62.00 per person per night including breakfast & dinner.
- Double Rooms - US \$ 75.00 per person per night including breakfast & dinner.
- Single Rooms - US \$ 120.00 per person per night including breakfast & dinner.

2. Team's entry fee: US \$100 per team
3. Transportation fee: US\$ 10.00 per delegation member per day

## **12. TECHNICAL MEETINGS**

- A. The Technical Meeting will be held on Thursday March 20, 2008 at 18:00 hrs. at the Hotel observing the following order:

1. Welcome
2. Roll call teams and referees
3. Instruction regarding conduct of competition
4. Instructions of certain rules
5. Appointment of referees
6. Draw and competition schedule
7. Passport check
8. Other business

- B. Technical Meeting for referees and desk officials will be held at 19.00 hrs. following the previous meet at the same place.

## **13. PROTESTS**

All protests to a Referees' Decision must be submitted to the O.C. in writing within 30 minutes after the game, signed by the Coach or Team Manager of the team and accompanied by US \$25. If the protest is upheld the fee will be returned to the Team Manager.

#### **14. JURY OF APPEAL**

- A. There shall be a Jury of Appeal to adjudicate all appeals against a Referee's rejection of a protest.
- B. Each country shall be entitled to nominate a representative to serve on the Jury of Appeal. Nominations will be submitted in writing at the Technical Meeting on March 20, 2008.

#### **15. AWARDS**

- A. For the players of the teams which finished in position 1, 2 and 3 in each category there will be gold, silver and bronze medals.
- B. There will be 1 trophy for the "overall" winner of each category.

#### **16. WARMING UP**

The pool will be opened 30 minutes before the scheduled start of the Competition Sessions

#### **17. FLAGS AND ANTHEMS**

Each Delegation shall provide:

- A. Two (2) flags of their country no larger than 4 feet by 6 feet.
- B. A compact disk of their National Anthem with a time span of not longer than 30 seconds.

#### **18. CEREMONIES**

- A. There will be an Opening Ceremony on the first day of the Competition, March 21, 2008 at 6.00 PM at the Pool.
- B. There will be a Closing Ceremony at the end of the Competition when the trophies are presented.

#### **19. TRANSPORTATION**

- A. Teams will be responsible for arranging their own transportation to and from Jamaica and the cost there-of.
- B. Official delegations and approved meet officials will be met at the Norman Manley International Airport by Organizing Committee Volunteers and transported to the Hotel(s).
- C. Official delegations and approved Meet Officials will be transported from the Hotel(s) to the Airport for departure at the end of the Competition.
- D. Teams have to be at the pool at least 45 minutes prior to their scheduled games.
- E. The Jamaican departure tax is usually included in the airline ticket but verification is necessary.

## **20. ACCOMMODATION AND MEALS**

- A. Dinner will be provided on Thursday, March 20, 2008. Breakfast and dinner will be provided from Friday, March 21, to Monday, March 24 and breakfast on Tuesday March 25, 2008.
- B. Teams will be responsible for their own lunches, however, the Organizing Committee will try to assist in getting lunch boxes, and more information will follow later.

NOTE: The rates indicated above are valid only for the stated period (per night, March 19 to 25, 2008). Please contact the Organizing Committee for rates outside of this period.

## **21. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS**

Federations or Individuals may apply to the Organizing Committee to act as a Technical Official in the Water Polo Competition. Application forms (see att.) should be completed by the Technical Official, signed by the Federation President or Secretary and submitted to the Organizing Committee President of the ASAJ, no later than March 05, 2008.

Officials who are accepted to work at the 2008 CARIFTA Competition will enjoy the accommodation and transportation rates quoted in this summons. Officials who are selected will be notified by March 9, 2008.