

International Island Games Association

The Sports and Sports By-Laws

PART 1 – GENERAL

This Section applies to all of the approved Sports as listed below.

Section 1 - The Sports

1.1 The Approved Sports are:

- Archery
- Athletics
- Badminton
- Basketball
- Bowls – one from Indoor Bowls, Outdoor Bowls or Ten Pin Bowling
- Cycling
- Football
- Golf
- Gymnastics
- Judo
- Sailing - may also include Sailboarding
- Shooting
- Squash
- Swimming
- Table Tennis
- Tennis
- Triathlon
- Volleyball - may also include Beach Volleyball

1.2 For clarification Sailing and Sailboarding are not separate sports.

1.3 For clarification Volleyball and Beach Volleyball are not separate sports

1.4 'Bowls' shall include Indoor Bowls, Outdoor Bowls and Ten Pin Bowling but only one discipline can be held at a Games.

Section 2 - The Responsibilities of the Host Island Organising Committee

2.1 The IIGA retains overall control of the Games.

2.2 The Organising Committee shall ensure all sports operate under the IIGA Constitution Operational Guidelines and Sports By-laws and where there is no direct conflict they shall also operate under each Sport's International Federation Rules.

- 2.3** The Host Island Organising Committee (hereafter called 'the Organising Committee') shall provide medical treatment during the competitions. Arrangements must be made with a nearby hospital for emergency treatment
- 2.4** The Organising Committee shall ensure that each sport in the Games is overseen by a Technical Committee.
- 2.5** The Organising Committee shall be responsible for appointing all Sports Technical Officials for the Games
- 2.6** The Organising Committee shall appoint a suitably qualified and experienced Sports Director who shall be responsible for ensuring that each sport is properly administered.
- 2.7** The Organising Committee shall appoint suitably qualified and experienced Coordinators for each sport; who will, in partnership with the Host Island's Sport Governing Body, be responsible for arranging the competitions and ensuring that all necessary venues and facilities meet with the requirements of the IIGA Guidelines and Sports By-laws. Any doubt that exists as to the suitability of any venue or facility must be reported immediately to the Executive Committee by the Organising Committee.
- 2.8** Each Sport Coordinator shall arrange a suitable date, time and venue for both the Pre-Competition and Post-Competition Sports Team Managers Meetings.

Section 3 - Sports Team Managers Meetings

3.1 Arrangements

- 3.1.1** Each Sport Coordinator shall be responsible for:
- Notifying all of the competing Member Islands Team Managers, the Chairman and/or Secretary of the Technical Committee and the General Secretary of the IIGA of the date, time and venue of the Pre-Competition Sports Team Managers meeting 2 weeks before the Opening Ceremony of the Games.
 - Ensuring that the date, time and venue of the Post-Competition Sports Team Managers Meeting are confirmed during the Pre-Competition Sports Team Managers Meeting.
- 3.1.2** The Meeting shall be chaired by the Chairman of that Sport's Technical Committee.
- 3.1.3** The Secretary to that Sport's Technical Committee shall act as Secretary for the Meeting

3.2 Attendance – those entitled to attend are:

- A maximum of 2 representatives of each of the competing Member Island Sports Teams
- The Technical Committee including any Co-opted Members for that sport.
- An Observer from the Sport's International Federation (if appropriate).
- The Senior Official responsible for conducting the event
- The Host Island Sport Coordinator.

- The future Host Island Sport Coordinator
- The IIGA Officers and Executive Committee Members.

3.3 Voting Rights

3.3.1 1 vote only per Member Island present

3.3.2 The Chairman shall have the casting vote if required.

3.4 The Pre-Competition Sports Team Managers Meeting

3.4.1 Suggested agenda:

- 1 If the Chairman of the Technical Committee is not present one shall be appointed from those present.
- 2 If the Secretary of the Technical Committee is not present one shall be appointed from those present.
- 3 The Chairman should: -
 - Introduce:
 - Member/s of the IIGA Executive Committee (if present)
 - The Technical Committee Members including any co-opted Members
 - Host Island Sport Coordinator
 - Observer from the International Federation (if present)
 - confirm those voting Members present
 - confirm the Programme and Order of Events
 - clarify the Rules e.g. seeding
 - notify meeting of withdrawals etc.
 - explain the procedures to be followed
 - confirm arrangements for training and warm-up
 - medal presentations
 - explain the appeals process
 - take questions from the floor
- 4 Appoint of a Jury of Appeal
- 5 Any Other Business
- 6 Confirm the day, time and place of the Post-Competition Sports Team Managers Meeting.

3.5 The Post-Competition Sports Team Managers Meeting

3.5.1 Suggested agenda:

- 1 If the Chairman of the Technical Committee is not present one shall be appointed from those present.
- 2 If the Secretary of the Technical Committee is not present one shall be appointed from those present.
- 3 The Chairman should: -
 - Introduce:

- Member/s of the IIGA Executive Committee (if present)
 - The Technical Committee Members including any co-opted Members
 - Host Island Sport Coordinator
 - Observer from the International Federation (if present)
 - Confirm those voting Members present
- 4 Approve the Minutes of the last meeting (if available)
 - 5 Matters arising from the Minutes
 - 6 Review all aspects of the current Games:
 - pre-Games information
 - entries
 - programme
 - officiating
 - results service
 - 7 Agree an outline Programme for the next Games
 - 8 Formulate recommendations, if any, for the next Organising Committee
 - 9 Review the sport specific IIGA By-laws and forward any proposed amendments to the Technical Committee.
 - 10 Elect a Technical Committee to serve until the conclusion of the next Games. Contact details for the Chairman and Secretary to be noted in the Minutes of the meeting.
 - 11 Any Other Business
- 3.5.2 The Sports Coordinator for the next Games should, if possible, be present at this meeting.
- 3.5.3 Within 2 months of the Closing Ceremony of the Games
- Minutes of both the Pre-Competition and Post-Competition Sports Team Manager Meetings should be sent to the General Secretary of the IIGA, the Sports Coordinator of the next Host Island, to each Member Island that participated in the sport, and to any new Member Island
 - **The General Secretary of the IIGA must be informed of the names and contact details for both the Chairman and Secretary of the newly elected Sports Technical Committee**

Section 4 - The Sports Technical Committees

4.1 Meetings

The Technical Committee may meet at such times as is deemed necessary during the course of the Games.

4.2 Appointment

Each Sports Technical Committee:

- Will be elected at the Post-Competition Sports Team Managers Meeting and serve until the conclusion of the next Games.
- Shall consist of a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 6 Sports Team Members, preferably from different Member Islands.
- Shall have either a permanent Chairman or Secretary to ensure continuity.
- Include a representative from both of the future Host Islands (if applicable).

4.3 Roles & Responsibilities

4.3.1 Each Technical Committee shall:

- Oversee the Technical arrangements for their sport during the Games.
- Ensure that all sports shall operate under the IIGA Constitution, Operational Guidelines and Sports By-laws and where there is no direct conflict they shall also operate under each Sport's International Federation Rules.
- Each Technical Committee may co-opt non-voting persons to act as advisers.

4.3.2 In the period between the Games the Technical Committees will act in an advisory capacity for the Executive Committee, the next Host Island Organising Committee and Sport Coordinator.

4.3.3 Any proposed amendment to the Sports By-laws must be forwarded by the Technical Committee to the General Secretary of the IIGA no later than 6 months before the Games at which the changes will come into effect for approval by the IIGA Executive Committee.

Section 5 – Jury of Appeal

5.1 The Jury of Appeal for all sports will:

- Be appointed at the Pre-Competition Sports Team Managers Meeting.
- Consist of a panel of 5 Members, preferably from different competing Member Islands, plus a non-voting Secretary.
- Have no more than 40% of the Members from 1 Member Island.
- Require a minimum of 3 Members, plus the Secretary, to hear an appeal.
- A Member of the Jury of Appeal cannot participate in an appeal which concerns a competitor from the same Member Island.
- Permit the official International Federation Delegate/Observer of the sport or event to attend if present at the Games but not have a vote.

PART 2 – SPORTS SPECIFIC BY-LAWS

Section 6 - The Sports By-laws

Volleyball By-laws

Section 1 - Competition Rules

- 1.1 The Volleyball competition shall operate under the IIGA Constitutional Operational Guidelines and Sports By-laws and where there is no direct conflict with the aforesaid IIGA Rules and Regulations shall also operate under the International Volleyball Federation (FIVB) Official Rules of the game.
- 1.2 Competitors can participate in both Volleyball and Beach Volleyball competitions but **NO** allowance will be made for a clash of timetables.
- 1.3 Transport will not bear the blame for late of arrival of players known to be competing in both events.
- 1.4 The results of the day's matches and Team rankings will be entered onto the online results system.
- 1.5 **Transport Schedule**
Information regarding the transport arrangements will be provided by the Organising Committee on arrival at the Games.

Section 2 – General

2.1 Island Representation

- 2.1.1 Each Member Island may enter a maximum of 1 Team per gender.
- 2.1.2 Competitors will form a Team of a single gender.
- 2.1.3 There will be separate competitions for each gender
- 2.1.4 12 Competitors and up to 5 (2 x assistant coaches) bench personnel are the maximum composition of any Team.

2.2 Age of Competitors

- 2.2.1 The minimum age limit for competitors will be 13 years on the day of the Opening Ceremony of the Games.
- 2.2.2 In respect of competitors under the age of 18 years competing Member Islands must make arrangement for them to be correctly supervised and comply with all relevant child welfare legislation of their own Island and that of the Host Island.

2.3 Officials

- 2.3.1 To be appointed by the Organising Committee
- 2.3.2 The competition will be controlled by the Technical Delegate who will be independent. A minimum of 12 Referees and sufficient Line Judges and Scorers all of whom shall be suitably qualified.
- 2.3.3 The Host Island must be prepared to bear the costs of officials to ensure that the standards of officiating are of an acceptable level.

- 2.3.4 At least 2 Line-Judges will be provided for the semi-finals and the finals. If possible all matches should be played with Line-Judges.
- 2.3.5 The Technical Delegate will nominate Referees for each match based on the skill of each Referee and the level of the match.
- 2.3.6 The Organising Committee shall provide a competent Scorer for each match.
- 2.3.7 The Organising Committee shall provide Court Managers who will be responsible for the playing venue and all the equipment. Preferably there should be 2 per court.

2.4 Training

- 2.4.1 Arrangements for any Pre-Games training/practice shall be made at the discretion of the Organising Committee.
- 2.4.2 The Organising Committee should provide training sessions at the playing venues to be used in the competition for those Member Islands wishing to practice before the tournament starts where the timetable allows.

2.5 Draws

The Serpentine system is the recommended seeding system for the Games. The qualifying groups will be set up based on the results of the last IIGA Tournament and follow the serpentine system as shown below.

Group A	Group B
1st	2nd
4th	3rd
5th	6th
8th	7th
9th	10th
12th	11th

If a Member Island that did not take part in the last Games wants to play in the next Games, a draw will take place to determine in which group they will play and at what rank. However, should a Member Island with a very high standard apply to play in the Games, the Volleyball Technical Committee will have the prerogative to seed that Member Island.

2.6 Venues

- 2.6.1 The tournament shall be played in venues that are approved by the Volleyball Technical Committee, and must conform to agreed standards. (Initially to FIVB standards for the court areas – other facilities should be discussed during the Pre-Games technical visit).
- 2.6.2 A Sprung wooden floor is an acceptable playing surface. Portable Taraflex or Mondo (FIVB approved) flooring may be used; however they must be used if proposed venues have solid floors.

2.7 Equipment - The Tournament Ball

- 2.7.1 The Organising Committee must inform participating Teams of the name of the Match Ball before the final date of inscription to the competition. The match ball must be approved by the FIVB

2.7.2 The Organising Committee must provide a minimum 12 volleyballs at each court used for the official warm up. All volleyballs used during warm-up and matches must be of the same type and standard.

2.7.3 The Organising Committee may offer a 3-ball system at their own discretion. If a 3-ball system is used 5 match balls must be provided otherwise 2 match balls are required. If the 3-ball system is to be used it must be used for the entire tournament.

2.8 Clothing

2.8.1 The regulation of FIVB concerning clothing and advertising on clothing will apply; provided that any further regulations that may be imposed by the IIGA shall take precedence.

2.8.2 Team Kit

2.8.2.1 The FIVB Rule on Team kit will be applicable in this tournament; however the Rules applicable to sponsorship shall not be in force see Rule 2.8.4.

Team shirts will continue to be numbered front and back. These numbers will be between 10cm and 15cm on the front and 15cm and 20cm on the back placed centrally.

2.8.2.2 Four weeks prior to the Pre-Competition Sports Team Manager Meeting the Team Managers will be asked to submit the 2 colours of their Team kits. The Technical Committee will then formulate a schedule detailing which colour each Team will use at each match. Whenever possible this will avoid the situation in which 2 Teams play a match using the same colours. Teams must ensure that 2 playing kits are used and they are different colours and not just contrasting colours. This is to ensure that where a libero is used she/he can be clearly identified.

For the official warm up (over the net) ALL players must wear their playing shirts. Tracksuit tops may be worn for the anthems; however the whole Team must wear either tracksuits or their playing shirts. There can be no mixture.

2.8.3 Warm-up shirts - no restriction as long as they are all the same and removed before the official warm-up.

2.8.4 Team shirts – 1 logo and/or name allowed on the front and back of the shirt. 2 different names or logos can be used, 1 at the front and 1 at the back. On a second set of shirts, 2 other names or logos can be displayed. This gives each Team the possibility of displaying 4 different names and logos. (A name and or logo refers to when a sponsor e.g. *STAR, uses its name and logo as 1 on the same advert.). Member Islands can display a small flag of their own Island.

2.8.5 Advertising will be allowed on the Team shorts and numbers are also permitted subject to the Rules of the IIGA and its current partners

2.8.6 The Organising Committee should provide Referees with blue shirts to be used during the competition; these may display a sponsors name or logo. Referees will need to be provided with sufficient shirts to enable them to officiate in the tournament, minimum 2.

2.9 Medical

2.9.1 The Organising Committee shall provide sufficient medical treatment during the competitions. Arrangements must be made with a nearby hospital for emergency treatment.

2.9.2 The Organising Committee shall have a first aid kit, trained personnel and ice available at each playing venue.

2.10 Medals

The Organising Committee shall provide a maximum of 12 Gold, Silver & Bronze medals. **Only players will receive medals.**

2.11 Protests and Complaints

Any protests or complaints will be investigated by the Volleyball Technical Committee and a decision made by them. An appeal against this decision can be made to the Island Games Association Court.

2.12 Banned Substances and Drug Testing

All competitors in every event shall be subject to Section 9 of the Operational Guidelines of the IIGA.

Section 3 – Technical Committee - See PART 1 – GENERAL Section 4 – The Sports Technical Committees

3.1 Appointment – See Section 4.2 – page 5

3.2 Meetings – See Section 4.1 - page 5

3.2.1 Additional

Following the Pre-Competition Meeting and prior to the Post-Competition Meeting the Technical Committee will meet once each day to review the previous days play and resolve issues. The Organising Committee must make available a room 1 hour after the schedule start of the first match each morning. Should it be needed emergency meetings will be called to deal with matters of importance at any time.

Section 4 –Pre and Post-Competition Sports Team Managers Meetings - See PART 1 – GENERAL Section 3 – Sports Team Mangers Meetings

4.1 The Pre-Competition Sports Team Managers Meeting – See Section 3.4 - page 3

4.2 The Post-Competition Sports Team Managers Meeting – See Section 3.5 - pages 3 & 4

4.3 The Jury of Appeal – See Section 5 - pages 5 & 6

Section 5 – Team Competition**5.1 Competition Format**

5.1.1 If 7 or less Teams enter, each Team will play each other in a Round Robin tournament.

- 5.1.2 If between 8 and 12 Teams enter, 2 groups will be formed and the Teams in each group will play each other in a Round Robin tournament.
- 5.1.3 If 13 or more Teams enter the first 12 Teams to enter will be accepted. The remaining Team/s will be accepted **only** if the Organising Committee and the Volleyball Technical Committee agree that they can be accommodated and 3 or 4 groups will be formed. In all circumstances the serpentine system will be followed with the highest placed Member Island from the last Games heading each group. Then the Teams will play off for final placing based on their respective positions in their groups as follows: -
- Teams in 3rd place play off for 5th & 6th position,
 - Teams in 4th place play off for 7th & 8th position,
 - and so on until the last position is achieved.
- Semi-finals will be:
- 1st in group A against 2nd in group B and
 - 1st in group B against 2nd in group A
- Loser's final will be:
- Losers of the semi-finals play for Bronze Medal
- Final will be:
- Winners of the semi-finals play for Gold Medal
- 5.1.4 The ranking order following the Round Robin matches will be determined by:
- Matches won, if there is a tie then,
 - Set difference, if there is a tie then,
 - The difference between points scored and points lost, and,
 - If 2 Teams are still equal, then the tie shall be resolved by the result of the match that they have previously played against each other.
- 5.1.5 The Volleyball tournament should incorporate matches so that all Teams play off to achieve final positions. In addition Teams should have a minimum of 1 match per competition day with the possible exception of Finals day.