



Competition Regulations
Netball World Youth Cup 2017
Gaborone, Botswana

The Netball World Youth Cup 2017 (NWYC2017) shall be conducted in accordance with these Competition Regulations with reference to other relevant policies and procedures, which include but are not limited to:

- The International Netball Federation General Regulations;
 - International Netball Federation Event & Commercial Operations Manual; and
 - The International Rules of Netball.
1. All players must have signed the INF Player Declaration form which is confirmation of each individual's eligibility in relation to nationality and age. For the NWYC 2017 in Gaborone competitors must be under 21 years of age on 31st December 2016.
 2. The Preliminary Team Entry Form – which includes a squad of up to 20 athletes and 5 Team Officials (with profiles and photographs) - must be submitted three (3) months prior to the scheduled first day of competition of the event.
 3. The Final Team Entry Form – which include a squad of 12 athletes, 5 Team Officials and the 3 non official team members, must be submitted six (6) weeks prior to the scheduled first day of competition of the event. The squad of 12 players nominated to represent the Member Country must have been registered on the Preliminary Team Entry Form, unless otherwise approved by INF in consultation with the OC.
 4. Final Team Registration of the up to twelve (12) players and five (5) team officials to participate in the World Youth Netball Cup 2017 shall be finalised by each competing team at the Team Manager Meeting to be held Thursday 6th July 2017. After this time, no changes or amendments will be permitted.
 5. Athlete biographical information shall be submitted for each player to the Organising Committee as part of the accreditation application process. This information may be used for media, sports presentation and INF purposes.
 6. Each team shall play in the registered uniform of that Country. If alternative bibs are required for identification purposes the teams shall toss to decide who shall wear them. All teams must carry two sets of bibs with them at all times.
 7. Matches shall be 60 minutes in duration – that is 4 quarters of 15 minutes with intervals between the 1st and 2nd quarters and the 3rd and 4th quarters of 4 minutes. Half time interval (between 2nd and 3rd quarter) of 12 minutes.
 8. No less than sixty (60) minutes before the due time for a match to commence, each team must submit to the Competition Management Office, the Team Start List for that match. The names of all the players and officials shall be listed, identifying those players, and their respective positions, that will commence the match on court.
 9. Once the Team Lists are submitted this information will be made available to Bench Officials, Media, Sports Presentation and each team competing in that match.

10. No alterations or additions can be made to the players identified as starting on court or their positions within 60 minutes of the scheduled commencement time. Except in event of injury/illness in the 60 minutes prior to the start of the match. A change in playing position/s or substitution of that player with another may be permitted if, in the opinion of an independent medical practitioner or designated Match Official, the player is deemed to be incapable of participating in or commencing that match. In such a case, the Bench Officials shall be notified immediately and the alteration registered as a team substitution or change.
11. The OC prepares the playing enclosure, the goalposts and ball to the specifications stated in the INF Rules [Rules 3.1 – 3.2]
12. During each match, Team Managers shall provide as required team changes and/or substitutions to the designated officials.
13. Team Benches shall be allocated on the following basis:
 - a. Team 1 (first named team on the match schedule) will take the bench to the right of the scorer's desk as it faces out on to the playing court
 - b. Team 2 (second named team on the match schedule) will take the bench to the left of the scorer's desk as it faces out on to the playing court
14. The captains toss for choice of first centre pass or goal end [Rule 5.1.1 (v)]. The toss up is conducted on the court and is observed by the reserve umpire who conveys the result to the umpires. The captain from the first named team shall toss the coin with the captain from the second named team calling either heads or tails.
15. The umpires for all matches shall be appointed by the INF Umpires Appointment Panel (UAP).
16. All matches will be played with the official netballs as supplied by Gilbert in conjunction with INF.
17. Teams shall where provided use all Event Sponsor related items. Teams are not permitted to have Sponsors which conflict with the Event Sponsor or to use items which conflict with Event Sponsors, except where prior permission has been granted by INF.
18. Teams shall not be required to play more than one match each day. Except in circumstances, which may include but are not limited to; a protest being upheld, or that a match is unable to be played. If a match has to be rescheduled and/or an additional match is required to be played, consideration shall be given to scheduling this match at a time that takes into account factors, which may include but are not limited to; adequate recovery time, equitable schedules for the teams concerned.
19. During the preliminary matches within the NWYC, draws are permitted in matches.
20. During the preliminary matches within the NWYC, points for the result of each match will be awarded as follows:
 - a. 2 points Win
 - b. 1 point Draw

- c. 0 points Loss
- d. In the event of a tie on points at the end of the preliminary matches, the result of the match between the two teams decides the winner.

21. However:

- a. If the two teams drew their match, or if more than two teams have the same number of points at the end of the pool rounds, goal ratio of the preliminary matches will decide the placings (i.e. goals for divided by goals against);
- b. If goal ratio is identical, then goal difference will be applied (i.e. the difference between goals for and goals against);

22. In the event of a further tie, the team scoring the most goals will be declared winner. If the two teams have scored the same number of goals at this stage then the teams will need to play extra time as determined in Rule 4.2 before the next round of games commence.

23. In the event of a tie at the end of quarter 4 in any of the classification matches, quarter finals, semi-finals and final no draw will be permitted. The procedure for extra time where a winner is required will be as follows:

- a. There shall be a four (4) minute interval at the end of full time;
- b. Extra time shall consist of two (2) halves of seven (7) minutes each, with an interval of one (1) minute at half-time. Teams shall change ends at half-time. The Centre Pass is taken by the team entitled to the next Centre Pass;
- c. During both of these intervals, substitutions and/or team changes may be made [refer Rule 9.1(a)];
- d. During extra time, normal injury or illness procedures shall apply [refer Rule 9.3.1];
- e. In the event of a tie remaining at the end of extra time, a visual signal shall be used to indicate that play shall continue until one team leads by two (2) goals.

24. Event Jury of Appeal:

- a. INF shall, prior to the commencement of the NWYC, appoint a Jury of Appeal which shall comprise of five (5) members;
- b. Team Managers shall be advised of the composition of the Jury of Appeal;
- c. A schedule will be drawn up to ensure one member of the panel is present in the arena when matches are being played.
- d. An aggrieved team may submit an appeal in writing to a member of the Jury of Appeal on the INF Appeal Form, signed by the Team Manager, within one (1) hour of the termination of the match complained of. The appeal must be accompanied by a fee of \$US 200;
- e. The decision of the Jury of Appeal shall be conveyed to the Team Manager within two (2) hours of the receipt of the appeal. If an appeal is successful, the fee shall be refunded; otherwise it shall be forfeited;
- f. The decision of the Jury of Appeal shall be final;

- g. Any appeal against a decision of an umpire shall be dismissed.
25. No participant, team or official of The Netball World Youth Cup Gaborone 2017 shall be permitted to be sponsored by a tobacco product nor be permitted to advertise or sell a tobacco product while involved with the NWYC.
26. Anti Doping:
- a. Anti-Doping testing may be conducted during the NWYC according to the INF Anti-doping Rules. Samples will be tested for banned substances and methods that are currently on the WADA list of banned substances and methods;
 - b. INF shall investigate any report from the local Anti-doping Agency concerning a breach by a competitor in the NWYC relating to currently proscribed substances and currently proscribed techniques;
 - c. If one athlete in any one team is found to be in breach of the INF regulations that athlete will be disqualified from the NWYC. If two athletes in any one team are found to be in breach of the INF regulations, that team will be disqualified from the NWYC.
27. Arbitration and matters not provided for:
- a. If any dispute shall arise on the interpretation of these Regulations or the need arises to deal with any matter not provided for in the Regulations, reference in writing shall be made to the INF Secretariat, which shall refer the same to the INF Board whose decision shall be binding on all parties;
 - b. INF recognises the jurisdiction of the Court of Arbitration for Sport and the application of the Code of Sports-related Arbitration.

Approved by INF Board – March 2016