



2023 PALARONG PAMBANSA
July 29–August 05, 2023 • Marikina City

TECHNICAL GUIDELINES FOR **SEPAK TAKRAW**

I. RULES AND REGULATIONS

The tournament shall be managed in accordance with the rules of the International Sepaktakraw Federation (ISTAF) currently enforced.

Any unforeseen incidents not covered by the rules shall be dealt as follows:

1. Case of general nature that shall be resolved in accordance with the Palarong Pambansa Games rules.
2. Technical questions shall be referred to and resolved by the Technical Committee.
3. In case of problems not covered by the existing ISTAF rules, the final decision shall rest with the Tournament Director.

II. ATHLETES' ELIGIBILITY

1. The provisions on the Eligibility of Athletes stipulated in the enclosure 2 of DepEd Memorandum No. 5, s. 2023 shall apply
2. Only athletes and coaches in the approved gallery of delegates shall be allowed to participate and compete.

III. COMPOSITION OF CONTINGENT

1. Secondary Boys shall be composed of Twelve (12) players and One (1) coach.
2. Secondary Girls shall be composed of Five (5) players and One (1) coach and One (1) chaperon.
3. Elementary Boys shall be composed of Four (4) players and One (1) coach.
4. Entries and Registrations of Athletes:
 - 4.1. The teams should only follow the Main Registration of its athlete's names submitted to the DepEd National Screening Committee months before the Palarong Pambansa.
 - 4.2. In no way can a team change its players prior to its first match unless the signature of approval of the Chairman of the National Screening Committee is affixed; and
 - 4.3. Upon the start of the competition no Team shall be allowed to change its players nor with the swapping of players between events in its region.
5. Only the members of the team including the Coach who are listed on the team gallery are allowed to seat on the bench during the whole duration of the game. In case of the Secondary Girls the Chaperon will be allowed on the bench.
6. In Secondary Boys, the regional team of 12 players comprising of 3 Regus is illustrated by the following the options below:

Option	No. of Schools Sending Regu	Max Number of Players per Regu
A	1	12 (for 3 regus)
B	2	8 / 4
C	3	4 / 4 / 4

For Option B and C, all regu players must come from the same school where a maximum of 4 players per regu (one school) can be sent. In cases where entry to the "Regu Event" is a concern due to a team having 4 players only per school, an additional one player from the registered 12 players can be included to complete the 5 players in the Regu Event.

IV. DISQUALIFICATION

1. A player or a team and team officials shall be disqualified based on Law 16 (Penalty) and 17 (Misconduct of Team Officials) of the International Sepaktakraw Federation (ISTAF) Law.
2. A player shall not be allowed to play if he used jersey other than the official uniform of the team or used jersey number other than his/her assigned jersey number at the start of the tournament.
3. A team who arrived late after the Fifteen minutes' grace period given to a team after the conclusion of the match prior to their game will be DEFAULTED.
4. A team or a player wearing reflectorized colors or neon-colored uniforms that will affect the vision of the opposing players will not be allowed to play.
5. A team must wear jersey with numbers at the back and front ranging from 1 to 36 only.

V. SPORTS EVENTS / DISCIPLINES

1. Sepaktakraw Secondary Boys
2. Sepaktakraw Secondary Girls
3. Sepaktakraw Elementary Boys

VI. CATEGORIES

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| 1. Sepaktakraw Secondary Boys Team | - 12 players |
| 2. Sepaktakraw Secondary Boys Regu | - 5 players |
| 3. Sepaktakraw Secondary Girls Regu | - 5 players |
| 4. Sepaktakraw Secondary Girls Double | - 3 players |
| 5. Sepaktakraw Elementary Boys Regu | - 4 players |
| 6. Sepaktakraw Elementary Boys Double | - 3 players |

VII. ATHLETES' APPAREL AND UNIFORM

1. Participating teams should wear the color of their respective regions assigned to them during their schedule games. Other set of uniforms will be allowed provided that the same permanent number shall be used by the same players.
2. Reflectorized colors or neon-colored uniforms that can affect the vision of the opposing players will not be allowed.
3. Players not wearing their proper uniform during which their team or regu is scheduled to play will not be allowed to play.
 - 3.1. Players must wear their jersey uniform with permanent number at the back of their shirt, numbering 1 to 36; and
 - 3.2. All teams are required to bring their own ARMBAND and the Team Captain shall wear it during the competition.

VIII. OFFICIALS

Only DepEd Accredited Officials are allowed to officiate in the Palarong Pambansa. They are required to attend the two days Refresher Course at the

start of the Palarong Pambansa. Failure to attend means, they are not allowed to officiate.

IX. PROTESTS, PENALTIES AND SANCTIONS

In the event of any question on any matter arising out of any point, which is not expressly provided for in any rules of the game, the decision of the Tournament Director, Jury and its member and the Official Referee shall be final.

X. CONDUCT OF THE COMPETITION

Secondary Boys Team (SBT), Secondary Girls Regu (SGR), and Elementary Boys Regu (EBR).

1. The Tournament shall be played in Single Round Robin System.
2. Secondary Boys Regu, Secondary Girls Double and Elementary Boys Double
 - 2.1. Only the Eight (8) Teams who qualified in the Pre-Qualifying Palarong Pambansa Competition will compete in the Secondary Boys Regu, Secondary Girls Double and Elementary Boys Double and shall be played in a single elimination system after the conclusion of the Secondary Boys Team, Secondary Girls Regu and Elementary Boys Regu;
 - 2.2. Seeding of teams shall be based on a DRAWING OF LOTS; and
 - 2.3. RULE OF SUCCESSION will be applied. Fifteen (15) minutes grace period will be given to the team after the conclusion of the last match following their game schedule. Non-appearance of the team after the grace period will mean forfeiture of the game in favor of the opposing team.

XI. DETERMINATION OF WINNERS

Winners shall be determined on the following:

1. For the Secondary Boys Team, Secondary Girls Regu and Elementary Boys Regu.
2. The Top Two (2) teams in each group will advance to 2023 Palarong Pambansa National Finals group into Two (2) using the single round robin format in each group following the format below, the top Two (2) in each group will advance to the semifinal, the rank 3 and 4 in each group will compete for ranked 5th to 8th place.
3. For Semifinal Round: The top Two (2) in each group in the quarterfinals will advance to the Semifinal round in a cross over format.

For 5th to 8th Place:

Group A3 vs Group B4

Group B3 vs Group A4

For 1st to 4th Place:

Group A1 vs Group B2

Group B1 vs Group A2

4. For Finals:

Loser GA3 & GB4 vs Loser GB3 & GA4 for 7th and 8th Place

Winner GA3 & GB4 vs Winner GB3 & GA4 for 5th and 6th Place

Loser GA1 & GB2 vs Loser GB1 & GA2 for 3rd and 4th Place

Winner GA1 & GB2 vs Winner GB1 & GA2 Championship Game

5. Two (2) points shall be awarded for the win and Zero (0) for a loss. If Two (2) or more teams obtain an equal number of points after the elimination, the following rules shall be applied:
 - 5.1. In case of a Tie, win over the other shall be applied, wherein the winner between the Two (2) teams during their elimination game shall be declared winner.
6. In case of Triple Tie, the Regu difference (Team), the Set difference between the total score "for" and "against" shall be decisive. This shall be obtained by deducting the points "against" from the points "for".
7. The score difference of the matches played by each of the teams shall be decisive.
8. If these alternatives are all found be the same, then a decision taken by the toss of the coin shall be decisive.
9. For the Secondary Boys Regu, Secondary Girls Double and Elementary Boys Double.
10. The team who has not loss at the end of the competition will be declared CHAMPION and the first team to be eliminated will rank eight (8th) and so on.

XII. AWARDING

Awarding shall be done immediately after the conclusion of the final match of the Secondary Boys Regu Competition, Secondary Girls Double and Elementary Boys Double. All Winning Teams shall wear the Official Uniform during the Awarding Ceremony (if any) Jacket, Jogging Pants and Rubber Shoes.