

**RESOLUTION # 01/2017**  
**October 30th, 2017**

Which will organize regulation for the official events and championships of CONCECABOL.

**THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR CONCECABOL**

With full legal rights according to existing by laws and statutes

**CONSIDERING**

That CONCECABOL according to the statutes, article 1, number 1.4 must organize official Central American and Caribbean Championships, considering all genders and levels with the following periodicity: Adults, Senior, Super Senior and 2<sup>nd</sup> Force every two years and Youth every year.

That CONCECABOL as a member for WORLD BOWLING & PABCON, must amend the playing rules according to international governing rules.

That CONCECABOL must validate Events and Championships organized by member federations when and where the existing rules are observed.

That CONCECABOL must rule in the administrative and technical official competitions.

**RESOLVE:**

**CHAPTER 1.**

**OFFICIAL COMPETITION**

**1.1 Official competition of CONCECABOL:**

- 1.1.1 Major, female and male Central American and Caribbean Championship
- 1.1.2 2<sup>nd</sup> Force, female and male Central American and Caribbean Championship
- 1.1.3 Youth sub 21 and sub 16, female and male Central American and Caribbean Championship
- 1.1.4 Senior, female and male Central American and Caribbean Championship
- 1.1.5 Super Senior, female and male Central American and Caribbean Championship
- 1.1.6 Central American & Caribbean Games
- 1.1.7 Other Championships approved by the Executive Committee
- 1.1.8 Other events from member federations validated by the Executive Committee

1.2 Competition will be held in assigned venues approved by the Executive Committee, observing that must be done within the first 6 months of the year, except Youth that will be organized at the end of the year, November will be better; as follows:

- 1.2.1 Major will be held every two years in odd years
- 1.2.2 Senior, Super Senior, 2<sup>nd</sup> Force will be held every two years in even years
- 1.2.3 Youth sub 21 and sub 16 will be held every year

**Paragraph 1:** The Major Championship will not be held when there is Central American and Caribbean Games.

**Paragraph 2:** The Major Championship will be held in odd years and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Force will be held in even years. To be part of a Major event the bowler must be at least 15 years old on January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year the event is held. 2<sup>nd</sup> Force bowlers must be at least 12 years old on January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year the event is held.

**Paragraph 3:** The Senior, Super Senior and 2<sup>nd</sup> force Championships will be held in even years and the Adult Championship will be held in odd years. Seniors and Super Senior must be 50 and 60 years old before January 1<sup>st</sup> in which the Championship takes place.

**Paragraph 4:** Youth sub 21 and sub 16 will be for bowlers who are not yet 21 and 16 years old as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year in which the championship takes place. Youth must be 12 years old at January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year in which the championship takes place.

## **CHAPTER 2. FORMAT AND BOWLING SYSTEM**

### **2.1 Following will be the format for each CONCECABO Official Championship:**

**2.1.1 Senior Championship:** A team will consist of four male and four female bowlers. Each country may enroll two teams per gender.

**2.1.2 Super Senior Championship.** A team will consist of two male and two female bowlers. Each country may enroll two teams per gender.

**2.1.3 2nd Force Championship** (bowlers who have not bowled as a Adult for their country in the last four years). A team will consist of four male and four female bowlers. Each country may enroll two teams per gender.

**2.1.4 Major Championships.** A team will consist of six male and six females bowlers. Each country may enroll one team per gender.

**2.1.5 Youth sub 21 and sub 16.** A sub 21 team will consist of four male and four female bowlers, a sub16 team will consist of two male and two female bowlers. Each country may enroll one team per gender and age.

### **2.2 Following will be the system used for each CONCECABOL Championship:**

**2.2.1 Senior Championship, 18 games per bowler.** Following style will be used:

**2.2.1.1 Singles** 6 games

**2.2.1.2 Doubles** 6 games

**2.2.1.3 Teams** 6 games in two series of 3 games each (2 days)

**2.2.1.4 Singles All Event**

**2.2.1.5 Team All Event**

**2.2.1.6 Master Finals** per gender

**2.2.2 Super Senior Championships, 18 games per bowler.** Following style will be used:

**2.2.2.1 Singles** 6 games

**2.2.2.2 Doubles** 6 games

**2.2.2.3 Mixed Teams** 6 games in two series (2 days)

**2.2.2.4 Individual All Event**

**2.2.2.5 Teams All Event**

**2.2.2.6 Master Finals** per gender

**2.2.3 Second Force Championship, 18 games per bowler.** Following style will be used:

**2.2.3.1 Singles** 6 games in one series of six games

**2.2.3.2 Doubles** 6 games

**2.2.3.3 Team** 6 games in two series (2 days)

**2.2.3.4 Singles All Event**

**2.2.3.5 Team All event**

**2.2.3.6 Master Finals** per gender

**2.2.4 Major Championship, 24 games per bowler.** Following style will be used:

**2.2.4.1 Singles** 6 games

**2.2.4.2 Doubles** 6 games

**2.2.4.3 Trios** 6 games in two series of 3 games

**2.2.4.4 Team of five** 6 games in two series of 3 games

**2.2.4.5 Individual All Event**

**2.2.4.6** Team All Event

**2.2.4.7** Master Finals per gender

**2.2.5** Youth under 21 Championship, 18 games per bowler. Following style will be used

**2.2.5.1** Singles 6 games in one series

**2.2.5.2** Doubles 6 games

**2.2.5.3** Teams 6 games in two series

**2.2.5.4** Singles All Event

**2.2.5.5** Team all events

**2.2.5.6** Master finals per gender

**2.2.6** Youth under 16 Championship, 18 games per bowler. Following style will be used

**2.2.6.1** Singles 6 games

**2.2.6.2** Doubles 6 games

**2.2.6.3** Mixed teams 6 games in two series of 3 games

**2.2.6.4** Singles All Event

**2.2.6.5** Teams All Event

**2.2.6.6** Master finals per gender

**Paragraph 1.** To award first 3 positions, the category must have at least 3 countries as a minimum in that category. If there is not the required minimum, all games will be considered for the All Event.

**Paragraph 2.** Bowlers from teams that are not complete may bowl in all categories for All Event.

**Paragraph 3,** Rotation will be open

### **CHAPTER 3. MASTER FINALS**

**3.1** The first eight (8) male and the first eight (8) female in the accumulated pin knock down in the All Event will qualify for the Master Finals

Paragraph 1. If by any reason one or more of the eight qualified bowlers is not able to bowl, no substitution will be allowed.

**3.2** Style of play: Eight (8) bowlers qualified on the championships Super Senior, Second Force, Ault and Youth (Seniors may qualify 16 depending on the quantity of lanes available at the venue) to the Masters will bowl on following style:

Bracket 1: 1 vs. 8

Bracket 2: 4 vs. 5

Bracket 3: 2 vs. 7

Bracket 4: 3 vs. 6

Winner of 2 out of 3 games will advance to the next step.

**Paragraph 1.** For each game, the best positioned in All Event entering this Master Finals, will chose the lane condition to bowl and who starts the competition.

**Paragraph 2.** Lanes will have the conditions used for the championship, longer condition on the odd lanes and shorter on the pair lanes, or just one pattern as the event is scheduled

**Paragraph 3.** Before each step there will be a 10 minutes practice.

**3.3 SEMIFINAL AND FINAL:** The four winning bowlers from the brackets will bowl as follows:

Game 1: Winner of bracket 1 vs. winner of bracket 2

Game 2: Winner of bracket 3 vs. winner of bracket 4

Will start from zero and winner of 2 out of 3 games will advance to the final.

Paragraph 1. Best-positioned bowler will chose condition and who starts the game.

**3.4 TIE BREAKING.** WB rules will apply.

**Paragraph.** Lanes will be defined for each Championship according to the venue's capacity and will be informed in the Technical Meeting.

3.5 CENTRAL AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN GAMES: The Technical Committee will define competition format for the Masters Event.

3.6 CHAMPION FOR THE EVENT: First place of singles all event will be the champion

## **CHAPTER 4.**

### **RULES AND FINANCES**

#### **4.1 Registration and inspection of the balls**

The balls will be inspected to determine if they comply with the specifications established by the WB.

#### **4.2 Official Practice**

Official practice will be according to WB rules

#### **4.3 Style of Play and Event**

Each game will take place on American style lanes. Rotation will be done to the right lane, or odds to the left and evens to the right on each game of each event.

#### **4.4 Tie Break Procedure**

Tie breaking procedures will be according to WB rules.

#### **4.5 Lane assignation.**

The lanes shall be assigned by draw for each event.

#### **4.6 Lane Dressing Procedures**

The oiling patterns established by the Executive Committee for official WB championships, will be used (long, medium and short or any other variable).

#### **4.7 Competition Area**

The competition area has to be defined by the Championship Manager, using obvious methods of identification for the spectators. Only one coach or dignitary from a member federation duly uniformed and credited will be allowed in the competition area.

#### **4.8 Awards**

In the championships of *CONCECABOL*, gold, silver, and bronze medals will be awarded for the first three positions to all winners (except in Master Finals where two bronze medals will be awarded) in the following events:

**4.8.1** Singles

**4.8.2** Doubles

4.8.3 Mixed Teams

**4.8.4** Trios

**4.8.5** Teams

**4.8.6** Individual All Events

**4.8.7** Team All Events (A diploma will be the award for each team)

**4.8.8** Masters Finals

#### **4.9 Appeal Procedure**

All the appealed decisions made by the Administrative Committee must be presented in written form with the referee or the President of *CONCECABOL*. Each appeal must be specific and will include a fee of US\$100.00. The jury shall be empowered to cite before it every person involved in the appeal.

#### **4.10 Technical Meeting**

Before official practice begins, a meeting with delegates and coaches shall take place to give out all the necessary information regarding the competition and related activities.

The President of *CONCECABOL* will lead together with the Director of the Championship. The Technical Meeting will have translating services if necessary.

#### **4.11 Playing Uniforms**

**4.11.1** The players shall wear the uniform approved by their association and national federation. No individual variations are allowed. The men must use pants (no jeans, drill or short pants will be allowed) or slacks; the women may use skirt, pants, slacks, or dress-shorts, but not a combination of both.

**4.11.2** The following must appear on the uniform: the country's name.

**4.11.3** The following may appear on the uniform:

4.11.3.1 the player's name

4.11.3.2 the country's logo or member federation represented by the player.

4.11.3.3 Advertising, provided the size is not more than half the sized of the largest text on the player's back, and the advertisement does not pose a conflict with the laws of the country of the host federation and the rules of the International Olympic Committee.

**4.11.4** Not following these rules will carry a fine of US\$35.00 each time. The fine will paid to *CONCECABOL*

#### **4.12 Records of *CONCECABOL***

The following records per event for the *CONCECABOL* championships will be registered:

**4.12.1** One individual game per team

**4.12.2** Three games per team

**4.12.3** Six games per singles, doubles, trios and team

**4.12.4** 24 or 18 games individual All Events

**4.12.5** Higher game Male and Female

**4.12.6** Masters Final Male and Female

4.13 At any moment that World Bowling makes a change on the rules, *CONCECABOL* may validate without modifying this rulebook.

## **CHAPTER 5**

### **CEREMONIES**

**5.1 Opening Ceremony:** The opening ceremony shall include, as a minimum, a parade of the delegations, unfurling of the flags of the participating countries, the appropriate distinctions of the host federation and those of *CONCECABOL*. This may be done before the start of the Championship or between two shifts of the first day of competition.

**5.2 Award Ceremony:** The medals shall be of quality, designed by the host federations and been previously approved by the President of *CONCECABOL*.

The award ceremonies shall preferably take place after each event. The awards for the finals may be presented in the closing ceremony or at the farewell banquet. The national anthems of the winners shall be heard.

The presentation of the medals shall follow the plan established by the host federation and the approval of the President of *CONCECABOL*. The awards protocol will include the dignitaries that will hand out the medals.

**5.3 Closing Ceremony:** There will be an official closing ceremony, which will include the celebration of the transfer of the venue in which the next site for the championships will be officially presented. The President of CONCECABOL must approve the program of the closing ceremony.

**5.4 Host Transfer ceremony:** There will be a transfer of host ceremony.

## **CHAPTER 6 VENUES**

**6.1 DEFINITION OF VENUES AND DATES:** The Executive Committee will do Definition of a Federation or National Association to host championships and dates for them. Official invitation to all Concecabol members will be done previously.

Requirements to host a championship will be mentioned on the named invitation sent to all members. Requirements are as follow:

**6.1.1** At least 9 months before the opening of a championship, the Executive committee will send to all members a form that must be filled by the ones that want to host the competition. This form will include:

**6.1.1.1** Place for the competition

**6.1.1.2** Hotel that will host delegations

**6.1.1.3** Preliminary schedule for competition

**6.1.1.4** Entry fees

**6.1.1.5** Deadlines for registration

All Championship bulletins will be informed trough the web site of the host Federation or Association and also on Concecabol's web site. All bulletins will be sent by e-mail to all members. Following deadlines are fixed to circulate information:

Bulletin No. 1 Nine months previous to Championship start

Bulletin No. 2 Six months previous to Championship start

Bulletin No. 3 Two months previous to Championship start

### **6.2 Applications to Host the Championships**

**6.2.1** The federations interested in serving as hosts, shall issue a written request to the Executive Committee at least one (1) month after call.

Only the member federations of *CONCECABOL* may request hosting a championship.

The request must indicate:

**6.2.1.1** Location (city, state, region)

**6.2.1.2** Proposed dates

**6.2.1.3** Bowling Center (capacity, security, general description, number of lanes, facilities)

**6.2.1.4** Hotels Available (rates, facilities, distance to the bowling alley, meeting rooms, etc.)

**6.2.1.5** Lane dressing equipment.

**6.2.2** The applicant federation must comply with the following responsibilities:

**6.2.2.1** Transfer to and from the assigned hotels to the bowling center

**6.2.2.2** Opening ceremony and farewell banquet

**6.2.2.3** Transfer to and from the airport

**6.2.2.4** Meeting rooms for assembly reunions, the Executive Committee, administrators, and coach

**6.2.2.5** Refreshments for the assembly participants and the Executive Committee reunion

**6.2.2.6** Certified Paramedics (if possible)

**6.2.2.7** Aerial transport of the President of *CONCECABOL* and the Technical Delegate (Championship Director)

**6.2.2.8** Accommodation for the President of *CONCECABOL* and the Technical Delegate for the duration of the event

**6.2.2.9** Exclusive daily transfer for the officials of *CONCECABOL*, including the Technical Delegate for the duration of the event

**6.2.2.10** Badges for all participants

**6.2.2.11** Translation services for the assembly, executive committee meetings

- 6.2.2.12 US\$100.00 Per Diem fees for the Technical Delegate
- 6.2.2.13 Referees for the championship. Must have and international referee dully sanctioned by CONCECABOL and/or Pabcon and may be from host country.
- 6.2.2.14 Medals for all competitions
- 6.2.2.15 Transportation for all participants
- 6.2.2.16 Fulfill of all rules and bylaws for CONCECABOL
- 6.2.2.17 Payment to CONCECABOL of 10 % of total entry fees received (bowlers, officials and guests)
- 6.2.2.18 Payment of bowling costs for the championship

6.2.3 The host Federation will pay the President of *CONCECABOL* or a designated representative the expenses made in the inspection of the facilities informed of at the moment it requested hosting the championships. This center must comply with the WB specifications pertaining the lanes. In that moment, the agreement between the host federation and *CONCECABOL* will begin.

If it is found that the facilities are inadequate, after consideration of the inspection report by the Executive Committee, the host shall be moved to the alternate site elected in the Assembly.

6.2.4 The country acting as host shall be responsible of the promotion of the championship to the federations

### 6.3 Invitations and Information

6.3.1 At least one year before the beginning of the championships, a package of invitations to each member federation of Concecabol shall be sent.

6.3.2 The host shall prepare the package, which will include information and documents that are necessary for the federations to file their intention to participate in the championships. At a minimum the invitation shall include information about:

6.3.2.1 The bowling center

6.3.2.2 Official hotel or hotels

6.3.2.3 Preliminary schedule

6.3.2.4 Participation fees

6.3.2.5 Deadline for submitting registration

6.3.3 After the President of Concecabol has approved the package; the host shall send it to all the federation's members.

6.3.4 The host shall also send at least two additional information bulletins to the federations members.

6.3.5 It is the responsibility of the host to have all the information pertaining the championships ready to download from an Internet website.

6.4 **ELEGIBILITY:** All the federations affiliated to *CONCECABOL* that are current with their membership fees, may participate in the championships.

These must register the documents required, for the purpose of participating, with the Federation no less than three (3) months before the beginning of it.

A photocopy of the passport must be brought forth when enrolling.

6.5. **BOWLING CENTER CERTIFICATION:** The championship will take place in countries with lanes that comply with the specifications of the WTBA.

### 6.6 CHAMPIONSHIP MANAGEMENT

6.6.1 **Management:** The *CONCECABOL* President will select a manager for each championship. The manager and the Organizing Committee will supervise and head the championship together with the Technical Committee. The referees will comply with the rules of play of the WB and aside from that with the codes of conduct of the WB.

6.6.2 The Technical Committee for the championships of *CONCECABOL* will consist of:

6.6.2.1 The President of *CONCECABOL* or a designated deputy from the President, who will chair

6.6.2.2 The Technical Delegate (Championship Director) named by *CONCECABOL*'s President

6.6.2.3 The Administrator from the host country.

**6.6.3** The President of *CONCECABOL* will designate a Jury of Appeals with three (3) members and one (1) alternate member, proceeding from the delegates present in the Technical Reunion. In this, three (3) different federations must be represented.

**6.7 Declining host.**

A member that is not able to organize a Championship that has been already assigned and a date has been fixed, must inform *CONCECABOL*'s Executive Committee at least 6 month prior to the start date of such championship in order to transfer the venue to the alternate country.

**6.7.1** Alternate host must fulfill all requisites to host the championship as per the actual rules.

## **CHAPTER 7**

### **APPLICABLE RULES AND FINANCES**

#### **7 APPLICABLE RULES**

All rules herewith detailed shall apply in all *CONCECABOL* Championships. All conflicts and protests raised during a championship will be solving using the rules. If the rules book does not provide such solution for the conflict, WB rules will apply.

#### **7.1 FINANCES**

**7.1.1** Affiliation. The federations and associations that wish to be affiliated to *CONCECABOL* must make a payment of a fixed fee; same fee must be paid by a member that wants to be affiliated once that has been suspended or retired by own decision.

**7.1.2** Annual fees. The annual fee to be paid by all members will be decided by the Executive Committee.

**7.1.3** Financial Considerations.

**7.1.3.1** The host federation must ask for authorization for the sale of promotional articles and for the sale of tickets to view the competition.

**7.1.3.2** The host federation shall request an entry fee of UP TO US\$150.00 per athlete, delegate, and coach. All companions will pay up to US\$120.00. 10 % of all these fees will be paid to *CONCECABOL*. The members of the Executive Committee of *CONCECABOL* are exempted from paying this obligation.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Valid from October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**GUSTAVO LOPEZ  
PRESIDENT**