

INFORMATION BULLETIN

6TH FINA WORLD MEN'S WATER POLO DEVELOPMENT TROPHY

TAL-QROQQ SPORTS COMPLEX, GZIRA, MALTA

17 – 22 OCTOBER 2017

The Aquatic Sports Association of Malta has the honour and pleasure to invite you to the 6th FINA World Men's Water Polo Development Trophy to be held in Gzira, Malta. The following information has been designed to assist your National Federation in its attendance to this event.

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IMPORTANT DATES	
20 th July 2017	Submission of Preliminary Entry Form
20 th August 2017	Submission of Preliminary Hotel Reservation Form & Flight Details
20 th September 2017	Submission of Documents for accreditations
20 th September 2017	Submission of Final Hotel Reservation Entry Form & Flight Details
5 th October 2017	Submission of Final Team List

COMPETITION VENUE

All matches and training sessions will take place at the newly refurbished Tal-Qroqq Sports Complex, Gzira, Malta. The complex houses a 50m pool and a 25m pool both of which are outdoor and heated.

The venue offers an OMEGA Swiss Timing ARES scoring system linked to a 4m x 3m electronic scoreboard which displays players' names, exclusions, time-outs and scores. The pool is also equipped with 4 OMEGA Shot-Clocks. The Tal-Qroqq Sports Complex abides by International Olympic Swimming Standards and follows safety procedures on security, first aid and fire-fighting and also provides medical care on call.

Other facilities available at the complex are changing rooms and showers, meeting rooms, an Arena sports shop and a cafeteria. The spectator capacity is 3000 pax.



TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENTS

Arrival Airport: Malta International Airport (MLA)

Free transportation will be offered only to the participating teams who book their hotel through the ASA as follows:

- Airport transfers to and from the official hotel
- Transfers for all training sessions and matches from the official hotel to the pool and return.

VISAS

Some countries may require an entry Visa to Malta. We suggest you confirm this from your end and should you require any assistance please contact us in order to provide our support in obtaining the necessary Visa.

QUALIFICATION

1. The competition shall be between a maximum of twelve (12) teams selected through continental qualification tournaments, continental championships or subcontinental competitions in the following manner:
2. The twelve (12) teams from the nominated continents shall be selected according to the following formula: Americas – 2, Asia – 4, Africa – 4 and Europe – 2. The Host Country will be considered a representative from that continent. For subsequent editions the formula will rotate according to the availability of teams.
3. The nominated teams from the continental qualification tournament, continental championships or sub-continental competitions shall be entitled to represent that continent; if any teams do not accept, then the next nominated team from that continent willing to accept shall qualify.
4. If there is an unfilled vacancy from a continent, then that vacancy shall be filled by the next nominated team(s) from the continental qualification tournament, Continental Championships or Sub-Continental Competitions with the following rotation: Host Continent of the Development Trophy Tournament, Americas, Asia, Africa and Europe.

COMPETITION

There will be six (6) days of competition and will be conducted under FINA Rules.

The competition system will be an abbreviated Olympic Games Programme as identified in FINA BL 9.4.1.2 with two (2) groups of six (6) teams playing a single round robin in each group. The final round will be using an abbreviated formula with the first ranked team in each group playing each other for first and second placing, the second ranked team in each group playing each other for third and fourth placing...and so on.

SEEDING

Group A	Group B
A1 Africa	B1 Africa
A2 Europe	B2 Europe
A3 Americas	B3 Americas
A4 Americas	B4 Americas
A5 Asia	B5 Asia
A6 Asia	B6 Asia

COMPETITION SCHEDULE

DATE	TIME	MATCH	Grp.	WHITE	V	BLUE	TEAM	V	TEAM
Tue 17-Oct	09:00	1	A	A1	v	A6		v	
Tue 17-Oct	10:20	2	A	A3	v	A4		v	
Tue 17-Oct	11:40	3	A	A2	v	A5		v	
Tue 17-Oct	16:00	4	B	B1	v	B6		v	
Tue 17-Oct	17:20	5	B	B3	v	B4		v	
Tue 17-Oct	18:40	6	B	B2	v	B5		v	
Wed 18-Oct	09:00	7	B	B6	v	B4		v	
Wed 18-Oct	10:20	8	B	B5	v	B3		v	
Wed 18-Oct	11:40	9	B	B1	V	B2		v	
Wed 18-Oct	16:00	10	A	A6	v	A4		v	
Wed 18-Oct	17:20	11	A	A5	V	A3		v	
Wed 18-Oct	18:40	12	A	A1	v	A2		v	
Thu 19-Oct	09:00	13	A	A4	V	A5		v	
Thu 19-Oct	10:20	14	A	A2	v	A6		v	
Thu 19-Oct	11:40	15	A	A3	v	A1		v	
Thu 19-Oct	16:00	16	B	B4	v	B5		v	
Thu 19-Oct	17:20	17	B	B2	v	B6		v	
Thu 19-Oct	18:40	18	B	B3	V	B1		v	
Fri 20-Oct	09:00	19	B	B6	v	B5		v	
Fri 20-Oct	10:20	20	B	B1	v	B4		v	
Fri 20-Oct	11:40	21	B	B2	V	B3		v	
Fri 20-Oct	16:00	22	A	A6	v	A5		v	
Fri 20-Oct	17:20	23	A	A1	v	A4		v	
Fri 20-Oct	18:40	24	A	A2	V	A3		v	
Sat 21-Oct	09:00	25	A	A3	V	A6		v	
Sat 21-Oct	10:20	26	A	A4	V	A2		v	
Sat 21-Oct	11:40	27	A	A1	V	A5		v	
Sat 21-Oct	16:00	28	B	B3	V	B6		v	
Sat 21-Oct	17:20	29	B	B4	V	B2		v	
Sat 21-Oct	18:40	30	B	B1	V	B5		v	
Sun 22-Oct	09:00	31	11 th /12 th	6 th Grp A	V	6 th Grp B		v	
Sun 22-Oct	10:20	32	9 th /10 th	5 th Grp A	v	5 th Grp B		v	
Sun 22-Oct	11:40	33	7 th /8 th	4 th Grp A	v	4 th Grp B		v	
Sun 22-Oct	16:00	34	5 th /6 th	3 rd Grp A	v	3 rd Grp B		v	
Sun 22-Oct	17:20	35	3 rd /4 th	2 nd Grp A	v	2 nd Grp B		v	
Sun 22-Oct	18:40	36	1 st /2 nd	1 st Grp A	v	1 st Grp B		v	

Team Malta will be playing the last game of the day during preliminary round.

On the last day of competition all matches must be played to a conclusion so it may be necessary to apply the Water Polo Rules for a Penalty Shootout.

Please note that the Management Committee of FINA Competitions may change the order and schedule of the matches to meet with the requirements of the Host Federation and/or television.

TEAMS

Each nation's delegation is to consist of 17 persons (13 players, 3 team officials and 1 referee).

TRAVEL ASSISTANCE

FINA will provide travel expenses for the participants (excluding the Host Country) for no more than 17 persons as follows:

- USD 500.-/ per person for all teams from the Host Continent
- USD 1000.-/per person for all teams from other Continents

ACCOMMODATION

Each participating federation has to cover the cost for accommodation for the team and the accompanying referee.

The Host National Federation (HNF) will cover all accommodation expenses for 4 FINA Delegates, 1 Press Delegate, 1 Medical & Doping Control Delegate, 2 Neutral Referees in single rooms in a first-class hotel on full board basis.

Details of the official hotel accommodating the teams are listed below and reservations will be accepted on a first come first serve basis. The Organising Committee reserves the right to accommodate teams at other hotels of the same category should the need arise. **The hotel rates are on full board basis and are guaranteed if reservations are made by 20th August 2017.**

Each team has been allocated 2 single rooms, 3 twin rooms and 3 triple rooms but should you require additional rooms kindly inform us at your earliest convenience.

The Park Hotel (4*)	Single Room	€125/person/night
Graham Street, Sliema	Twin Room	€95/person/night
	Triple/Quad Room	€90/person/night



REFEREES

Each team is requested to nominate a Referee from the current FINA Water Polo Referees List who will officiate in the event. The name of the Referee with the Team must be submitted to the FINA Office for approval by the TWPC Commission. The participating National Federation must cover the expenses related to the accommodation and meals of the Referees with the Team.

Neutral Referees will be nominated by the FINA TWPC Commission. The organising National Federation must cover the expenses related to the accommodation and meals of the neutral referees. FINA will cover the travel expenses (economy fare) and the per diem.

DELEGATES

Delegates will be nominated by FINA. The organising National Federation must cover the expenses related to the accommodation and meals of the Delegates. FINA will cover the travel expenses (economy fare) and the per diem.

TECHNICAL MEETING

The Technical Meeting will be held on Monday 16th October 2017 at 18:00hrs in the ASA Boardroom on the 2nd Floor of the Tal-Qroqq Sports Complex in Gzira. The FINA TWPC Commission shall chair this meeting.

DOPING CONTROL TESTING

- A minimum of twelve (12) urine tests must be conducted during the competition. FINA may notify the HNF if blood tests are necessary.
- Samples shall be analysed in a WADA-accredited laboratory and the laboratory must be requested to forward the analytical results directly to the FINA Office.
- The original doping control forms shall be sent to FINA Office by post mail after the event.

ENTRY PROCESS AND PROTOCOL

Only persons showing their accreditations will be allowed on the pool deck.

ATHLETE MEDICAL SERVICES

There is a Clinic on the pool deck and Life-Guards will be on duty during the matches. Medical Staff will also be employed throughout the competition and an ambulance will be present.

EVENT INFORMATION

All information about the competition will be available in the ASA Offices on the 2nd Floor of the complex.

ACCREDITATIONS

All players, team officials and any other persons accompanying the teams will be given an accreditation. For this purpose, passport photos of every member of each delegation are to be sent to the HNF by not later than **20th September 2017**.