



TOURNAMENT RULES, DETAILS AND INFORMATION

Dates:	12 th to 15 th October 2023
Location:	Auckland
Time:	Approx 9:00am start (12/09) & 6:00pm completion (15/09) (#'s dependent)
Venues:	AUT Millennium Diocesan Aquatic Centre National Aquatic Centre Sacred Heart Aquatic Centre St. Cuthbert's College West Wave Aquatic Centre (#'s dependent)

Entries Close:	Wednesday 2nd August 2023 (5pm)
Entry Fees:	\$ 882.59 GST inc. - Entry includes player and officials' passes if required. * Payment needs to be made on receipt of invoice.
Entry Forms:	Please enter online - www.nzwaterpolo.org.nz
Team Lists:	Are to be completed online by Wednesday 4 th October, 2023

Tournament Rules

- All players must attend the same school they are playing for unless dispensation has been granted prior to the tournament beginning.
- The white-capped team is on table duty for the game after they have played.
- Teams may consist of up to 11 players (including goalkeepers).
- There can only be a maximum of 11 players plus 3 officials on the team bench.
- Teams must have caps that resemble the colour they are appointed on the draw.
 - Numbers must be clear in contrast to cap colour. Referees need to be able to read the numbers.

- Games consist of 4 x 5 minute quarters with shot clock for A grade running clock, and 4 x 5 minute quarters running clock for B/C grade.
- Standard FINA rules apply to players or officials who are red carded or have been excluded for brutality or misconduct.
- FINA rules apply to tied positions in the preliminary round.
- Games drawn that require a definite result (semifinals and non-medal playoffs) will move to 'Golden Goal' sudden death (first goal wins)
- If a gold medal or bronze medal match is drawn at the end of regular time, FINA rules will be applied with a penalty shootout.
- Points will be awarded as follows: Win = 2, Draw = 1, Loss = 0
- Official game ball, size 4 Kap7 for A/B Grade. Size 3 Kap7 for C Grade.
- Combined or composite teams may not be allowed to enter.
- A team on table duty will need 5 people on duties, 1 one each side for goal judging, and 3 at the table (one of those will need to be a supervising parent or teacher). Failure to present for table duty when appointed may result in disqualification, and the school of the team not present for table duty will be invoiced for a \$50 fine.
- Team Entry Fee is set at \$882.59 GST INC. in 2023

Entry to Pools

- There may be spectator fees charged at the door.

Important Notes

- No changing on pool side
- No warm up on pool deck parallel to the field of play
- Use rubbish bins provided
- Diocesan does not allow parking inside the school grounds. If you park there you risk being towed
- Sacred Heart will have limited parking on the Saturday until 12pm due to field sports
- No use of school grounds

Team Lists

Teams may consist of up to eleven (11) players and a maximum of five (5) team officials, unless granted an exemption by NZ Water Polo prior to the start of the tournament – however no more than eleven (11) players may play in any one game and no more than three (3) team officials are allowed on the bench.

A team shall start the game with no more than six (6) players, one (1) of whom shall be the goalkeeper and shall wear the goalkeepers cap. Up to five (5) reserves may be used as substitutes. Only one (1) goalkeeper needs to be on the game sheet and substitutions (for all positions) can be made during the games.

Timeouts

No time outs will be available to coaches during the tournament.

Presentation

Teams must be available to present themselves to the referee(s) no later than fifteen (15) minutes prior to the scheduled game start time.

Caps and Uniform

White/Light Caps: Left hand side of the Table Duty (as seen from Table Duty)

Blue/Dark Caps: Right hand side of the Table Duty (as seen from Table Duty)

Teams with customised caps might be ordered by the referee(s) to revert to wearing standard white/blue caps if their cap color is deemed of not enough contrast with the other team.

Warm Up

Warm Up is only allowed inside the Field of Play prior to the game. Remaining areas of the competition venues are not reserved for the event and could be public use and are not accessible to competitors. Hire of these areas may be arranged upon application to the pool management. Dry land warm up is not allowed in the immediate vicinity of the Field of Play.

Table Duty

Teams scheduled for Table Duty (see Game Schedules) must supply five (5) people for Table Duty: Secretary (game sheet), Timekeeper (clock), Assistant (flags and foul board) and two (2) goal judges. Failure to fulfill Table Duty will result in a NZ\$50 fine payable before the next game the team participates in, or disqualification of the team may result. Repeat offenders will risk disqualification. Those appointed for Table Duty shall report at the table at least five (5) minutes prior to the commencement of the next game.

Entry into the Competition Venues

For competitors and officials, entry is by show of pass only. Any person apprehended in misusing the passes will be liable to be banned from entering all competition venues. Misbehavior in or outside the venues may result in a venues' ban.

No pool side changing. No alcohol or smoking permitted in and around any of the competition venues.

Protests

Tournament (under FINA rules) will not be considered in this tournament.

Red Cards, Misconducts and Brutalities

In case a team official or player is red carded, there will be an automatic 1 game stand down for that individual unless the judicial committee decides otherwise. It is at the discretion of NZWP to judge the gravity of the offense and award further penalties and/or suspensions. In the case of misconduct there will not be a suspension unless the judicial committee decides otherwise. For

brutalities, there will be an automatic one game stand down, and potentially further suspensions depending on the gravity of the offense as decided upon by the judicial committee. Individuals will be notified by NZWP accordingly in regard to their suspensions.

Judicial Committee

The judicial committee shall consist of:

- The Head Referee
- A NZWP delegate
- Another tournament referee

If any of the above individuals have been involved with the issue at hand directly they will be replaced by another tournament referee or NZWP delegate. The decision made by the judicial committee shall be final.

Please note

A head coach must be listed on team sheet. If the head coach is red carded and they are deemed to be coaching from the stands or any other area, they will be ordered from the venue and further sanctions will be applied following a meeting of the disciplinary committee. This applies to all red carded team officials and/or players.

During a game an assistant coach is not accorded the privileges of the head coach; when the head coach is red carded, the assistant coach may only call timeouts and perform substitutions, however has no privilege to 'coach' the team nor to move to the 5m line. They must remain seated on the team bench.

An assistant (replacing) coach will have the privileges of the head coach in the next game played by that team.

Unforeseen Circumstances

In any circumstances not covered by the above rules, New Zealand Water Polo reserves the right to decide upon any matters arising at its sole discretion. Please note that NZ Water Polo has the right to change the order of games in the game schedule.

NZWP wishes all teams involved good luck for the tournament!