

2022 Tournament of Courage Silvia Wilson-McDermid Memorial

Age Categories: 13U/15U

Location: City Center Aquatic Complex
1210 Pinetree Way, Coquitlam, BC

Date: January 21, 22 and 23th, 2022

Sanctioned by Water Polo Canada and Water Polo West
Hosted by the Pacific Storm Water Polo Club



IMPORTANT DATES

Date	Note
December 17, 2021	Registration Deadline
January 7, 2022	Non-Refundable deposit of \$200.00 due
January 14, 2022	Team rosters due
January 14, 2022	Entry Fees due: \$750.00 per 15U team \$500.00 per 13U team Minimum of 4 games per team
January 21, 2022	Tournament Start 4 PM

TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION

- All teams and players must be a "member in good standing" with their National organization and proof will need to be provided at the start of the technical meeting.
- Registrations/entries of Canadian teams to the event and roster submission will be done through the Water Polo Canada database under the events tab.
- Registering your team and rosters online serves as proof of good standing with WPC. Teams from outside Canada should send their rosters and good standing information via email; please contact the office for more information.
- When entering the rosters, please make sure that they are the correct cap numbers, as this is what will be printed in the program and game sheets. You must also include your coaches that will be on deck with the team and chaperone on the roster.
- NO ATHLETE WILL BE ALLOWED ONTO A ROSTER AT THE EVENT UNLESS THERE IS PROOF OF REGISTRATION WITH THEIR NATIONAL BODY.
- Coaches will be required to review rosters 15 minutes before game time to ensure cap numbers are correct.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

	U13	U15
Age Categories	Born 2009 and later	Born 2007 and later
Team Composition	One Category: Boys, Girls, Coed	Two Categories: Gender Specific
Field of Play	25 m field of play using small nets	25 m field of play
Ball Size	Size 3	Size 4
Game Duration	Four (4) quarters each of five (5) minutes stop time	Four (4) quarters of seven (7) minute stop time
Interval Break	There will be a one (1) minute break between quarters	Two (2) minute interval break between periods
Possession Clock	The possession clock shall be 30 seconds	The possession clock shall be 30 seconds
Number of Players	6 field players and 1 goalie	6 field players and 1 goalie
Time-Outs	Two (2), one (1) minute time-outs are allowed per team, per game, except the medal round when each team will have one (1) time out per period	Two (2), one (1) minute time-outs are allowed per team, per game, except the medal round when each team will have one (1) time out per period

- Rules of Play: Except where indicated in this package, rules will be in accordance with the FINA Water Polo Guide 2014 Version.
- Each team may play 6 field players and 1 goalie at a time
- Coach requirement: minimum NCCP Level I, Water Polo certified or CBET trained. A properly certified/trained coach must be present for all games.
- Any changes to the Game Roster due to player absences or cap changes must be submitted to the minor officials' table fifteen (15) minutes prior to the start of the game.
- Tournament Rosters must comply with the following:
 - Players can be double rostered in order to play up an age category, but may not be listed on more than one roster in the same age category.
 - Tournament Rosters must include only players that are participating members of a club
 - Games played with ineligible players will be forfeited. It is the responsibility of the head coach and the executive member to be aware of the eligibility rules of the tournament package. Players that are not eligible to play should not be placed on the tournament rosters.
 - Special consideration may be made by a club, and may be accepted by Pacific Storm Water Polo Club executive, for players who do not comply with the above criteria. Clubs must complete an exemption request form and submit it to the Tournament Manager.
- Regulation Games (Round Robin and cross-overs); Both Age Groups

- Points: Teams will be awarded three (3) points for a win, one (1) point for a draw and zero (0) points for a loss.
- Tie games: If the score is a tie game at the end of 4 quarters, there will be no overtime or shootout to determine the winner. Both teams will be awarded 1 point for the draw.
- Forfeits: Any team not lined up and ready to play within five minutes of the posted start time will forfeit. Forfeits will be recorded as 7-0 games for purposes of point calculation.
- If any ties exist in overall team the standings after the completion of the preliminary round, the following criteria will be used to determine the placement: Team with fewest goals against. Team with largest goal differential. Coin toss; team that has travelled the furthest distance will select heads or tails
- Red Cards--Participants (coaches, athletes, chaperones, spectators) awarded a red card will serve a minimum one game suspension in the division of play that the penalty is received (i.e. 13U or 15U). In addition, if the carded participant is involved in one or more games two hours after the end of the game when the infraction occurred, he or she will be suspended from participating in those games in their entirety (to allow a cooling off period) in addition to the divisional suspension
- For more serious infractions, harsher penalties may be awarded at the discretion of the referees, a disciplinary committee or by BCWPA.
- Medal round: Tie Games will be decided by a shoot-out.

ORIENTATION MEETING AND TEAM PACKAGE

- A coaches' meeting will be held (15) minutes prior to the first scheduled game on Friday for the clubs that are present. Additional meetings may be held, as required, at the discretion of the Tournament Director.
- Each team must have an assigned representative available to attend the meeting. If you are unable to attend, it is your responsibility to contact the Tournament Director and the Referee in Chief and arrange for a suitable time to review the agenda.
- Team Packages will include the following:
 - Copies of the schedule
 - A copy of the technical sheet
 - Contact information for tournament organizers
- There will be a tournament representative at the pool throughout the event should you have any questions.
- Please ensure that you use professionalism when speaking to the pool staff, tournament representatives, minor officials, or referees; anger and hostility will NOT be tolerated and will be treated as an offence on officials.
- Clubs are expected to check in with the tournament representative upon arrival at least one hour before the team's first game at CCAC to pick up your package. Teams arriving late who have not attended the pre-tournament Orientation meeting are required to have a private meeting with tournament official and referee in Chief at least one hour prior to the team's first game.

EQUIPMENT

- All teams are responsible for bringing their own sets of hats.
- Balls will be supplied for games and warm-up.
- **Awards: Coaches will identify an athlete on their teams (girls/boys, 13U/15U) who demonstrates *outstanding courage* during this tournament and will award her/him a *Medal of Courage*.**

"Courage" is defined by "excellence of character", an emotional strength that involves exercise of will, sometimes quiet, but always just beyond one's comfort zone. This athlete not only has the courage to try, but the commitment to move beyond "failure" or "obstacle" and try again.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Warm up for the first game begins 15 minutes prior to the start. Warm up for the subsequent games begins immediately following the end of the previous game.
- If players wish to use other parts of the aquatic facility (hot tubs, etc.) they must pay at the front desk. Team meetings should be held in the lobby or in designated team areas on the pool deck. (Meetings should not be held in equipment rooms or in the public areas of the pool deck).
- For each game, please check the cap numbers/names listed on the score sheet to ensure their accuracy.
- There are areas of the pool deck that are clearly marked "no shoes". Please be respectful of the other pool patrons and follow written and verbal instructions from pool staff.
- Parking passes for minor officials, coaches team vans will be made available at the technical meeting.
- Deck changing is not permitted. Players must change in the public change rooms.

ENTRY FEES

- Entry fees for the 15U are \$750 per team for the tournament.
- Entry fees for the 13U are \$500 per team for the tournament.
- Non-refundable deposit of \$200. Cheques are to be made out to:
 - Pacific Storm Water Polo Club
 - Mail to:
 - PO Box 30504
 - Brentwood Mall PO
 - Burnaby BC
 - V5C 2A0
 - Or by e-transfer to stormwp.pres@gmail.com
- DEADLINE:
 - Deposit must be received by Friday January 7, 2022.
 - All Fees due January 14, 2022

- Team rosters must be provided by no later than Thursday, January 13th, 2022.

REFEREES

- A Referee in Chief (RIC) will be appointed by Pacific Storm.
- The RIC will make all referee assignments.

MINOR OFFICIALS

- Pacific Storm Water Polo will provide minor officials (table) during games.
- Qualified Parents from local teams participating are welcome to put their names forward to assist with the minor officials table.
- All minor officials are volunteers.

TEAM BENCHES

- Teams will change benches (ends) after each half. White will start on the West bench and dark on the east bench.
- A maximum of eighteen, 16 players and 2 coaches, are permitted on each team bench during the game.
- Coaches are allowed to walk up to 5-meter mark when their team has possession of the ball. If their team does not have possession of the ball, the coach must stay at the bench behind the goal line.
- All of the substitute players and assistant coach must remain seated on the bench during live game play. They are not allowed to be in any other place other than the bench except the penalty box for substitution.