



IV World Female Team Championship for Nations

Kaihua (Prov. Zhejiang) - China
18 - 25 October 2014

INTRODUCTION

Participating Nations

21 Nations will attend the 4th World Female Team Championship:

Algeria - Argentina - Australia - Austria - Brazil - Chile - China 1 - 2 China - Hong Kong
China - Chinese Taipei - France - Germany - Japan - Italy - Mongolia - Russia - Slovakia -
Switzerland - Turkey - Hungary - USA.

REGULATIONS

Art. 1 - Rounds

- 1.1 There will be three rounds composed by five teams and one round composed by six teams. In each round will be entered a seeded team. The four seeded team are the Nations ranked in the top four during the last world championship held in Bevagna (Italy) in 2009, precisely in order: Italy, China, Argentina and Brazil.
- 1.2 The other teams will be divided into groups by drawing.
- 1.3 The second team of China, the unseeded one, can not be drawn in the same group of the first China's team.

Art. 2 - Conduct preliminary stage

2.1 The teams of each group will play each other round robin. Each match will consist of three games of 15 points to be run on the same lane, in the Triple - Single - Couple. At the end of all matches we will have the final ranking of the four rounds. In the case of in one round two or more Nations will obtain the same points, Teams will be ranked by total points, with "*classifica avulsu*" (a table where only head-to-head results between teams with the same total points are considered) used to separate teams on equal points following the underwritten criteria:

- more ranking points achieved in direct matches;
- better difference between total points scored and conceded in direct matches;
- most points scored in the direct matches;



- higher difference between the total points scored and the total points conceded in the entire round;
- most points scored in the entire round;
- In case of a further tie, a playoff will take place through run off pulling to the jacks according to CTAI (International Technical Referee Commission) provisions.

Art. 3 - Final ranking from 9th to 21st place

3.1 Accordingly rounds rankings, the final ranking from 9th to 21st place, will be established taking into consideration the difference between points scored and points conceded, to be more precise:

- The sixth-placed team in the group formed by six teams, will be classified at the 21st place;
- The fifth-placed teams in each group will form the ranking from 17th to 20th place;
- The fourth-placed teams in each group will form the ranking from 13th to 16th place;
- The third-placed teams in each group will form the final ranking from 9th to 12th place.

The first-placed and second-placed teams in each group will be qualified for the next stage.

Each match will be played on the same lane in three games of 15 points, in the order: Triple, Single and Couple.

Art. 4 - Proceedings of the quarterfinals, semifinals and finals

4.1 The combination of the quarterfinals matches will be established, after the draw, taking into consideration that each first placed team will play against a second placed team.

Two teams that were in the same round cannot play against each other.

4.2 The four loser teams in the quarter-final will form the final ranking from 5th to 8th place taking into consideration the difference of points scored and conceded and, eventually of the points made.

Each match will be played on the same lane in three games of 15 points, in the order: Tern, Single and Couple.

4.3 The four winning teams will play the semi-finals as following:

- Winning team match A against winning team match C;
- Winning team match B against winning team match D.

The winners of these matches will play the final match for the 1st and the 2nd place.



The losers of these matches will play in the final for the 3rd and the 4th place.

Each match will be played on two lanes in three games of 15 points, in order Triple and after Single and Couple simultaneously. When a team wins two games the match will be suspended.

Art. 5 - Team composition

5.1 Each team is composed by: 1 Head of Delegation, 1 Head Coach, 4 athletes at maximum. An athlete cannot participate at more than two games per match. Team composition for each match have to be communicated in writing, by the Head Coach, giving the specific printed form to the Championship Direction before the beginning of the match.

Art. 6 - Bowls

6.1 Each team must use bowls of the same color with features provided by the International Rule of the Game diameter 106 mm and weight 900 grams. The bowls will be made available and delivered by the Organization in the competition venue.

Art. 7 - Official Training

7.1 Training program and schedule, which will take place on Saturday 18 and Sunday 19th October, will be planned by the Championship Direction as recommended by the CTAI.

7.2 Players have the obligation to be present on the playing lanes in accordance with the assigned scheduled time. The Technical Commission will be responsible for the punctuality of their players and they will supervise the trainings.

7.3 During the trainings, players must wear a sports uniform (if possible that one of the national membership).

7.4 Training sessions have to be carried out in full compliance with fair-play as well as in the full respect of the sports facilities at disposal without causing damages.

7.5 The Championship Director, upon CTAI authorization, can modify the trainings program, for reasons of force majeure, according to organizers needs.

Art. 8 - Punctuality

8.1 Head Coaches must submit their team punctually in order to respect the scheduled program for the good continuation of the World Championship.

8.2 In case of delays of over 15 minutes, caused by the negligence of a Team, a financial penalty (Max \$ 100.00) will be inflicted by the Disciplinary Commission.



8.3 If the unjustified delay exceeds 60 minutes, the Team will lose with a score of 15-0.

Art. 9 - Forfeit

9.1 If an athlete in the Single or Couple and Triple, cannot complete a game, due to force majeure, and a replacement is not possible, the victory will be assigned to the opponent Team. Points obtained, until the time of the forfeit, will be considered officially acquired and will be written on the ranking table.

Art. 10 - Rights and duties of the athlete

10.1 The maximum time allowed to play a bowl is 1 minute

10.2 This 1 minute includes also the time required to observe closely the position of the bowls. This begins when the referee attributes the point with a conventional gesture (see Annex A) and verbally. A reminder to athletes in action by the referee, 10-15 seconds before the end of 1 minute, is suggested.

10.3 In the same minute the athlete has to confirm the advantage or the restoration of the game.

10.4 This provision is not subject to the "advantage rule", therefore, referee decision shall be final.

Art. 11 - Bench

11.1 Persons authorized to sit on the bench are: the Head Coach, the Team Leader, the athletes (not involved in the game), the doctor (if he is a delegation member) and the interpreter. Other people or executives will be moved away.

11.2 All those entitled to sit on the bench cannot leave their places to follow the phases of the game except for the Head Coach during the time-out.

11.3 Smoking on the bench is not allowed.

Art. 12 - Warm-up

12.1 Before each match, every team, will have the possibility to warm-up for five minutes. This phase will start, after the draw, 15 minutes before the beginning of the match.

Art. 13 - Substitutions



13.1 In every match, excluding Singles, only one substitution is allowed (except in case of injury or ascertained illness). The replacement can be done at the end of the playing turn, which can also be the warming up fashion.

Art. 14 - Match interruption (time-out)

14.1 The Head Coach can interrupt the game calling a time-out of 2 minutes during which he can consult their athletes. The time-out can be asked at maximum 1 time per playing turn, only by the team which is playing, with a maximum of two interruptions per match.

14.2 To facilitate referee's inspection of such interruptions, two cards will be provided to each team at the beginning of each match and given to the referee when time-out is called.

Art 15. Referees

15.1 The program for the use of the referees will be under the responsibility of the Director of the Championship. Any complaints for alleged technical errors (not judgment errors) committed by the referee of the match, may be submitted to the Director of the Championship, only by the Head Coaches and after a temporary stoppage of play.

Art. 16 - Complaints

16.1 The complaint must be submitted, in writing (in Italian and in English), within 30 minutes from the official announcement of the result of each game, to the international technical manager Spokesperson indicated by the CBI-CTAI. The complaint must be provided with a deposit of \$ 100.00, which, if justified, will be returned to the National Delegation complainant, otherwise the deposit will be paid to the Organizing Committee.

Art. 17 - Uniform

17.1 During every match, athletes of each team must wear identical uniforms (see Annex B).

17.2 The badge of the Nation or the logo of the National Federation is mandatory and must be placed to the front of the shirt on the left side.

17.3 The name of the Nation and the identification of the athlete, as written on the team's sheet, are mandatory on the back of the shirt at the top.

17.4 On the shirt can be inserted the sponsors' logos; the space reserved for advertising, however, must not overlap with the areas referred to in the preceding paragraphs.

17.5 Long trousers are mandatory and must be of the same color and shape for all members of the team (blue jeans are forbidden).



17.6 Sporting footwear are mandatory, meaning that the sole must be smooth or with a slight ribbing that does not leave traces on the game's lane.

Art. 18 - Discipline

18.1 The disciplinary decisions towards: Athletes, Managers, Coaches, Referees, Coordinator and Deputy Director of the World Championship guilty of transgressions to the technical standards, organizational or sporting ethics, by written complaint and with a written reasoned decision shall be the responsibility of the Disciplinary Commission appointed by the Executive Committee CBI, whose decision is final.

Art. 19 - Documents

19.1 Every athlete, already previously indicated in the team's spreadsheet of the Federation upon enrollment, must submit:

- Passport
- Identity Card.

Art. 20 - Anti-doping

20.1 The athletes and all delegation members must comply with the anti-doping regulations laid down by the WADA (World Anti-Doping Agency).

Art. 21 - Technical Regulation

21.1 The Technical Regulations of the International Game (CBI), Edition 01-01-1999. October 2014 will be applied.

The C.T.A.I.



Annex A

REFEREE CONVENTIONAL GESTURES

“Advantage rule” - regola del vantaggio
a 2 pezzi

“Target at 2 pieces” - Bersaglio

“1 point scored” - preso 1 punto

“ ” - prima 1 punto

Annex B

UNIFORM

Example:

Front

* Nation o Federation’s logo

Back

A → Nation

B → Athlet’s family name



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A number from 1 to 4 can be placed on the left sleeve instead of family name