SUMMONS

2013 FINA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR MEN AND WOMEN

QUALIFICATION EVENT FOR THE AMERICAS

I. PARTICIPATING TEAMS

There can be a maximum of 8 teams in each category, men and women, representing the four zones of the Americas. These Championships are **qualification tournaments** for the World Championships to be held in Barcelona in 2013 for both men and women. The number of teams qualifying for the World Championships will be two for men and two for women

II. COMPETITION PROGRAM

The schedule of activities for these Championships from **January 28 – February 4, 2013** is the following:

Monday, January 28	Arrival of Team Delegations
Tuesday, January 29	Scheduled Team practices
	U.A.N.A. TWPC Meeting
	Toological Congress

Technical Congress Referees Clinic

Wednesday, January 30
Thursday, January 31
Friday, February 1
Saturday, February 2

Qualification games
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Semifinal games

Sunday, February 3 Final games

Monday, February 4 Departure of Team Delegations

The final competition schedule for both men and women, shall be determined by the number of participating teams and will be prepared at the **Technical Congress to be held at the Westin Calgary Hotel on Tuesday, January 29, 2013**. All teams' delegates and referees must be present at the Technical Congress.

III. TEAM DELEGATION

The Organizing Committee will guarantee room and board to a maximum of 18 persons for each team delegation in categories, men and women. Each delegation shall consist of 13 players and 5 supporting personnel, out of which one must be a referee. Each Delegation must comply with the required room and board fees as specified in section VIII of this Summons.

All delegations must make all the necessary arrangements for the arrival in Calgary, Alberta, Canada. The Organizing Committee shall provide ground transportation from the Calgary International Airport (YYC) to the hotel and returning.

IV. REGISTRATION

All teams must be properly registered before **December 10, 2012**, by sending the numerical entry for the categories (men and/or women) in which they will participate and the remaining number of the supporting personnel for the delegation (see Annex "A").

The final submission of the following documents must occur before **January 7, 2013**:

- (a) Team rosters with cap numbers and the required Information in the registration form (see Annex "B")
- (b) Arrival and departure information (see annex "C")
- (c) Individual information with two photographs of each delegation member (see Annex "D").
- (d) Team photograph for the program.

All mailings must be sent to the following address:

Original to:

WATER POLO CANADA

ATTENTION: office@waterpolo.ca

Copies to:

Manuel de Jesus - Secretary of U.A.N.A. TWPC

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William J. Shaw - U.A.N.A. Executive Committee

Email: <u>bshaw@mcdougallgauley.com</u>

Phone: 1-306-665-5426 FAX: 1-306-652-1323

Those countries with final entries which later do not participate in the competition will be fined in the amount of \$1,000 US dollars. Each delegation is responsible for securing their required visas from the proper Government Institutions.

VISA Letter requests must be received no later than December 15th, 2012 in order to avoid delays with government agencies over the holidays and New Year.

V. REFEREES

All U.A.N.A. affiliated Federations, regardless of their participation or not in these Championships, can send one referee to officiate in this tournament. The submitted referees must be included in the FINA list. Participating Federations must send at one referee for each registered team (men and/or women). The U.A.N.A. Technical Committee can use them in any of the games and in any category. The country that registers a team and does not bring a referee shall be fined one thousand dollars (US\$1,000) in accordance with U.A.N.A. regulations.

VI. FACILITIES

The competition will take place at:

Talisman Centre

http://www.talismancentre.com/

The hotel for the teams will be: Delta Calgary

The hotel for the referees & delegates will be: Westin Calgary

The Organizing Committee will provide ground transportation required for official delegations from the hotel to the venues from January 28 through February 4, 2013.

VII. TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT

An electronic timing system will be utilized. The official playing ball shall comply with all the requirements of FINA regulations.

Teams must bring their own playing caps for the games, in compliance with FINA regulations, and must also provide their own practice balls. The Organizing Committee will provide official game balls.

VIII. COSTS

The official delegations from each visiting country participating in these Championships will pay the Organizing Committee the following amounts in U.S. per person per day (which includes food and accommodation).

Team Hotel

Double \$120 Single \$200

Delegate Hotel

Double \$140 Single \$220

Payment shall be made in United States dollars. A deposit of \$1000 US should be paid at the time of confirming registration.

Teams registering will be invoiced directly by Water Polo Canada.

TEAMS SHOULD NOTE THAT, <u>AFTER DECEMBER 15TH</u>, <u>2012</u>, THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE <u>CANNOT GUARANTEE</u> THAT ACCOMMODATION/MEALS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR TEAMS NOT CONFIRMING ENTRY BY THAT DATE.

Referees that are not members of any official delegation participating in these Championships must make arrangements with the Organizing Committee. Referees that are members of official delegation will be required to stay separate from their teams. They will be notified as to the location/costs of this accommodation.

Delegations arriving earlier than January 28, 2013, or departing after February 4, 2013, must make their own arrangements with the Organizing Committee.

IX. CLINICS

If possible, there will be referees' clinics prior and during the Qualification Tournament. FINA will sponsor the clinic and will nominate the lecturer.

X. COMPETITION FORMAT

For these qualification tournament of the following formats will be used depending on the number of participating teams.

(a) 5 to 8 teams

A single qualification round robin will be played among all the teams.

In the final round:

1. one semifinal game will be played between first place and fourth place from the round robin and one semifinal game between second place and third place from the round robin. The winners will play for first place and losers for third place.

(c) 3 to 4 teams

A single round robin will be played among all teams.

In the final round:

- 1. one semifinal game will be played between the first place and fourth place teams and between the second place and third place teams from the double round robin. The winners will play for first place and losers for the third place.
- 2. With three teams, one game will be played between the second place and third place of the round robin. The winner will play the first place team of the round robin for first place

Signed today DECEMBER ____, 2012.

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	U.A.N.A.			