



HOSTING POLICY

WORLD DEAF BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

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1. KEY WORDS

- 1.1. 'WDBC' = World Deaf Basketball Championships
- 1.2. 'DIBF' = Deaf International Basketball Federation
- 1.3. 'FIBA' = International Basketball Federation
- 1.4. 'ICSD' = International Committee of Sports for the Deaf
- 1.5. 'TD' = Technical Director
- 1.6. 'TOD' = Tournament Director
- 1.7. 'THR' = Tournament Head Referees
- 1.8. 'MoU' = Memorandum of Understanding



2. THE WORLD DEAF BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS (WDBC)

2.1. The World Deaf Basketball Championships

The name of the tournament shall be World Deaf Basketball Championships (WDBC). The WDBC shall be held every four (4) years.

3. BIDDING FOR THE WDBC

3.1. Host Selection

The selection of the host country shall be made at least four (4) years in advance at the DIBF World Congress.

The DIBF has divided the world into following zones:

- 1 - Africa
- 2 - Americas
- 3 - Asia-Pacific
- 4 - Europe

The WDBC shall not visit the same zone in two (2) consecutive World Deaf Basketball Championships.

In the absence of a Bid a World Deaf Basketball Championship or a non-complying Bid, the DIBF Central Board should investigate opportunities to partnership with any ICSD National Federation Member or from Cities of Nation Members (i.e. Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Bureau), regardless of whether that Nation is a Member of the DIBF or not, and report to the DIBF World Congress at the WDBC for discussion and approval.

3.2. Proposal for the WDBC

A proposal from countries that want to bid for the right to host the WDBC shall be sent to the DIBF Secretary General at least one (1) year prior to the DIBF World Congress. The proposal shall contain the following information:

- The approximate date of the World Championships
- The name and location of the four (4) Sports halls with FIBA equipment's
- The location of the accommodation
- The location of the nearest International Airport
- The approximate costs for accommodation with full board
- The names of the Organising Committee Members
- The official support letters from the National Deaf Sports Federation/National Deaf Basketball Association, the Host City proposed, the National Basketball Association, etc.



3.3. Date of the World Championships

It is recommended to arrange the WDBC during a period of the year when most of the DIBF Member countries have their holiday season.

3.4. Site Inspection of the WDBC Bids

The National Deaf Sports Federation/National Deaf Basketball Association intending to make a bid for the WDBC, shall extend an invitation to the DIBF to make a site inspection of the proposed WDBC site prior to the DIBF World Congress.

A report shall be provided to the DIBF Members at the DIBF World Congress, to ensure that the bid complies with all WDBC Hosting Policy criteria. All costs for the site inspection are to be met by the Bid Committee.

4. ON AWARD OF THE WDBC

4.1. Memorandum of Understanding

Within three (3) months of the winning bid, a Memorandum of Understanding will be issued by the DIBF to the Host Country. This Memorandum of Understanding will outline the rights and obligations for both parties.

5. ORGANISATION OF THE WDBC

5.1. Organising Committee

The National Deaf Sports Federation/National Deaf Basketball Association of the country hosting the WDBC shall appoint an Organising Committee, which shall be responsible for organising the World Championships.

5.2. Technical Director

The Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) shall outline the person designated by the DIBF to act as the Technical Director (TD) who is responsible for the basketball tournament.

The Technical Director shall appoint the Assistants from the DIBF depending on the number of sports halls.

5.3. Tournament Director

The Organising Committee shall appoint a Tournament Director (TOD).

The Tournament Director shall be a member of the Organising Committee, and shall demonstrate a satisfactory knowledge about the organising of a tournament, the game of basketball and its rules.



The Tournament Director is to work in cooperation with the Technical Director appointed by the DIBF.

5.4. Tournament Head Referees

The Organising Committee shall appoint a Tournament Head Referee (THR) and the DIBF a Tournament Head Referee Assistant.

There shall be at least the twenty-four (24) suitably qualified referees present during the World Championships.

The Head Referees and the referees should be contacted with a mobile phone text message if a situation should occur at the basketball venues.

All directions from the Tournament Head Referees are to be complied with.

Any disputes, are to be brought to the Technical Committee comprising the Tournament Head Referees, the Tournament Director, and the Technical Director with its Assistants. Any decision from the Technical Committee is final.

5.5. Technical and Protest Committees

The Technical Committee shall comprise the two (2) Tournament Head Referees, the one (1) Tournament Director, the one (1) Technical Director and its Assistants.

The Technical Committee is responsible for the running of the World Championships, including all rules, procedures, and policies. Any decision from the Technical Committee is final.

The Technical Committee, will be convened one (1) hour after conclusion of each World Championship Day, to review each World Championship Day, and any decisions or revision of procedures will be issued to each participating country.

The Protest Committee shall comprise the two (2) Tournament Head Referees and the one (1) Technical Director.

The Protest Committee is responsible for any receiving protest of the World Championships. Any decision from the Protest Committee is final.

The Protest Committee, will be convened immediately after receiving protest of each World Championship Day, to review the protest, and any decisions or revision of procedures will be issued to each participating country.

5.6. Draw Ceremony

The Organising Committee arranges and takes over all costs of the Draw Ceremony that shall be held three (3) months prior to the WDBC. The Draw Ceremony shall be live streaming.



The Organising Committee is responsible for the procedure of the Draw Ceremony and the Technical Director for the Draws with the DIBF Draw Regulations.

5.7. Financial Budget

The Organising Committee is required to send a detailed budget to the DIBF two (2) times a year on the progress of the preparation of the World Championships for the endorsement by the DIBF.

5.8. Economical Responsibility

The Organising Committee or the National Deaf Sports Federation/the National Deaf Basketball Association shall be solely and fully economically responsible for the organisation and running of the DIBF. If there is a profit after the WDBC, the twenty-five (25) percent is to be allocated to the DIBF.

5.9. Medical Assistance

It is highly recommended that medical assistance be made available for the full duration of the World Championships.

The medical team shall be contactable with a mobile phone text message should an emergency should occur at the basketball courts.

5.10. Volunteers

The Organising Committee shall provide the minimum of the forty (40) volunteers who shall have a little knowledge of National/International Signs and Deaf Culture.

5.11. Sign Language Interpreters

The Organising Committee shall provide the two (2) with English speaking sign language interpreters who shall also have a working knowledge of International Signs.

5.12. Medias

It is highly recommended that the Organising Committee should follow the DIBF Event and Media Manuals.

The Organising Committee shall provide the live streaming and the photographers in all venues. The DIBF sends its two (2) Media Directors to the Media Team of the Organising Committee.

5.13. Accreditation

The Organising Committee shall provide all players and team leaders etc. with accreditation cards for easy identification of the players, and to distinguish players from non-players.



5.14. **Flags**

The DIBF are the sole custodians of the DIBF flags, and should be kept by the DIBF President. One (1) of the DIBF flags should be handed over to the Organising Committee prior to the WDBC.

The Organising Committee must ensure that the DIBF flag is flown from the Opening Ceremony until the Closing Ceremony.

At the completion of the WDBC, the DIBF flag should be handed back to the DIBF President.

The flag of the DIBF should be placed central and primarily in all sports halls. Other flags e.g. the National Deaf Sports Federation/National Deaf Basketball Association, the ICSD etc. are allowed to hoist alongside.

5.15. **Withdrawal of the WDBC by Host Country**

If the Host Country elects to withdraw from organising the WDBC, the Host Country must pay a fine to the DIBF in accordance with the following:

- 1.000 USD from four (4) years up to two (2) years before the start of the WDBC
- 5.000 USD from two (2) years up to one (1) year before the start of the WDBC
- 10.000 USD from one (1) year to the start of the WDBC

The Host Country does not have to pay the fine if a withdrawal is due to an unavoidable situation not under their control or of any natural cause.

If the Host Country does not pay the fine, the DIBF Central Board has the power to decide that the host country's National Deaf Sports Federation/National Deaf Basketball Association could be suspended from participating in all events of the DIBF until the fine has been paid.

6. TRAVEL, ACCOMMODATION AND PER DIEM FOR THE WDBC

6.1. **Teams**

The Organising Committee shall reserve hotels with full board as soon as possible. There must be hotel rooms enough to host all the basketball teams.

The accommodation shall be as close as possible to the sports halls. The Organising Committee shall provide with the transportation from the airports, the hotels, the sports halls and back.

The accommodation bookings are to be conducted direct between the National Deaf Sports Federation/the National Deaf Basketball Association and the Organising Committee.



Flight costs paid by the participating teams their National Deaf Sports Federation/the National Deaf Basketball Association take over.

6.2. DIBF Central Board Members, DIBF Media Directors and DIBF Head Referee

The Organising Committee shall provide and fund fourteen (14) nights free accommodation with full board for the DIBF Central Board Members, the DIBF Media Directors and the DIBF Head Referee at the official hotel. The DIBF Central Board Members shall agree to share a twin bed room if possible.

If the DIBF Central Board Members prefer to share a room with another partner or spouse, the roommate is responsible for his or her share of the expenses.

Any travel costs paid by the Organising Committee should be stated in the Memorandum of Understanding.

Per diems a day 50 USD for the DIBF Technical Director and its Assistants paid by the Organising Committee.

6.3. DIBF VIP Guests

The Organising Committee shall provide and fund up to fourteen (14) nights free accommodation with full board for a maximum of the five (5) DIBF VIP Guests (the DIBF President, the DIBF Secretary General, including the ICSD and the FIBA representatives) at the official hotel. The DIBF VIP Guests shall get the single bed rooms.

If the DIBF VIP Guests prefer to share a room with another partner or spouse, the roommate is responsible for his or her share of the expenses.

A maximum of five (5) DIBF VIP Guests can be invited by the DIBF, and should be notified to the Organising Committee at least one (1) year before the Tournament.

Any travel costs paid by the Organising Committee should be stated in the Memorandum of Understanding.

Per diems a day 50 USD for the DIBF Secretary General paid by the Organising Committee.

6.4. DIBF/FIBA Referees

The Organising Committee shall provide and fund fourteen (14) nights free accommodation with full board for a minimum of the eight (8) and a maximum of the sixteen (16) DIBF/FIBA Referees at the referee hotel. The DIBF/FIBA Referees shall agree to share a twin bed room if possible.

Any travel costs paid by the DIBF should be stated in the Memorandum of Understanding.

Per diems each match for the DIBF/FIBA Referees paid by the Organising Committee.



6.5. Meals and Drinks

Quality meals (three (3) meals per day: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner) in sufficient quantities must be prepared and guaranteed for the Tournament Participants (Players and Team Officials, the DIBF Representatives, the DIBF Technical Directors, the DIBF Staffs, the DIBF Head Referee and the DIBF/FIBA Referees), based on the game and training schedules of the teams in question.

7. FUNCTIONS DURING THE WDBC

7.1. Functions

The Organising Committee shall arrange and fund with six (6) functions during the WDBC:

- One (1) DIBF World Congress
- Two (2) Technical Meetings
- Two (2) Referee Meetings
- One (1) Opening Ceremony
- One (1) cultural event, barbeque party or similar for the DIBF Central Board Members and the DIBF VIP Guests (after the DIBF World Congress)
- One (1) Closing Ceremony with a banquet

7.2. Non-Basketballers

It is highly recommended that the other hotels and functions also should be available for the families, partners and supporters to the basketball teams.

8. RUNNING OF THE WDBC

8.1. Tournament Rules

The Organising Committee must adhere to all Tournament Rules, Procedures and Policies as set out in the 'World Deaf Basketball Championships (WDBC) Technical Regulations'. Any variations to these rules, procedures or policies must be agreed to with the DIBF at least six (6) months prior to the World Championships.

9. PARTICIPATION TO THE WDBC

9.1. Invitation

The Organising Committee is responsible for all invitations to the WDBC. An official logotype of the WDBC shall be created, and the header of the invitations shall begin with: "Deaf International Basketball Federation invites ..."



A draft of the invitation is to be sent to the DIBF thirteen (13) months prior to the start of the World Championships, for the DIBF endorsement, prior to distribution.

The invitation shall be sent to all the DIBF affiliated countries at least twelve (12) months before the start of the World Championships.

The invitation, and all the other documents printed for the World Championships, must carry the logo and/or the initials of the DIBF.

The invitation shall contain the following information:

- The place and date of the World Championships
- The regulations for the World Championships
- A provisional program
- The website for the World Championships
- The registration forms
- The registration fees
- The location and cost for the accommodations
- The travel information
- The names of the contact persons in the Organising Committee

A copy of the invitation shall also be sent to the ICSD Office.

9.2. Registration Forms

See article 3 in 'World Deaf Basketball Championships (WDBC) Technical Regulations'.

9.3. Participation Fee

Each player and official attending the WDBC must pay a participation fee. The participation fee shall at least cover the following:

- Participation in the World Championships

The participation fee shall be 40 USD per person.

The National Deaf Sports Federation/the National Deaf Basketball Association shall transfer the participation fee 600 USD (12 players and 3 officials) to the DIBF twelve (12) months prior to the World Championships.

The DIBF reserves the right to amend the participation fee.

Also see article 7 in the 'DIBF Internal Regulations'.

9.4. OC Participation Fee

Each player and official attending the WDBC shall pay an OC participation fee if needed. It should be a maximum of 50 USD. The OC participation fee shall at least cover the following:



- Services for the World Championships
- Three (3) functions (Opening, Closing ceremonies and Banquet)
- Prizes
- All transportations from and to the airports, the hotels, the sports halls and the functions

9.5. **DIBF Membership Fee**

See chapter 2 in the 'DIBF General Statutes'.

10. PRIZES FOR THE WDBC

10.1. **Prizes at the WDBC**

The Organising Committee will decide the type and format of the prizes. Any engraving on the prizes shall include the logo and/or wording of the DIBF.

The Organising Committee shall submit a sample (photograph) of the proposed prizes by at least six (6) months prior to the WDBC for endorsement by the DIBF.

All below-named prizes (trophies and medals) shall be provided and funded by the Organising Committee.

Also see article 14 in the 'DIBF Internal Regulations'.

10.2. **Trophy**

The teams of men and women on the first three (3) places shall be awarded with the trophies for their keeping.

10.3. **Medals**

The teams of men and women on the first three (3) places shall be awarded with the medals for their keeping.

10.4. **Awards**

The individual players of men and women shall be awarded with the award prizes:

- One (1) MVP
- Five (5) Best Five
- One (1) Best Scorer
- One (1) Fair play

10.5. **Diploma**

All players and officials of the teams of men and women on the first eight (8) places shall be awarded with the diplomas for their keeping.



10.6. Certificate of Participation

All participating teams of men and women shall be awarded with the certificate of participation for their keeping.

11. SCHEDULE AND REPORTING

11.1. A detailed schedule for deadlines for the WDBC shall be forwarded to the Organising Committee at the same time as the MoU. This shall include the following critical dates:

- The Organising Committee shall send out the invitation at least twenty-four (24) months before the start of the World Championships
- The Organising Committee shall send a detailed budget to the DIBF twenty-four (24) months before the start of the World Championships
- The participating countries shall submit their team registration forms to the DIBF Secretariat and the Organising Committee at least twelve (12) months before the start of the World Championships
- The participating countries shall pay the participation fee at least twelve (12) months before the start of the World Championships
- All new audiogram forms must be submitted to the ICSD three (3) months before the event
- The DIBF Secretariat shall send a list of the participating players to the Organising Committee and the ICSD at least three (3) months before the start of the World Championships
- The Organising Committee shall forward the results from the World Championships to the DIBF and the ICSD within thirty (30) days after the conclusion of play
- The Organising Committee shall send a final report with financial statements to the DIBF within three (3) months after the World Championships