



MOUNTAIN PACIFIC SPORTS FEDERATION

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603 WOMEN'S WATER POLO REGULATIONS

603.1 Federation Format

The Mountain Pacific Sports Federation shall be composed of one division for play in the sport of women's water polo.

603.1.1 Scheduling

The Federation schedule shall be a single round-robin.

603.1.2 Federation Championship

The Federation Championship and automatic berth in the NCAA Championship shall be determined by a post-season tournament.

603.1.2.1 Tournament Format

All Federation women's water polo teams shall qualify for the tournament.

603.1.2.2 Championship Site Rotation

The site of the Championship Tournament shall be based on a rotation developed by the coaches and approved by the Administrative Committee as follows:

2001 - Hawaii	2005- California
2002 - USC	2006 - UC Irvine
2003 - Stanford	2007 - UC Santa Barbara
2004 - Long Beach State	2008 - San Diego State
	2009 – Arizona State

603.1.2.3 Seeding

The teams shall be seeded in the championship tournament based on their record during Federation season play.

603.1.2.4 Tournament Advancement

With 13 teams in the Federation, Teams seeded 1-3 shall have first-round byes. The tournament shall consist of four days of competition with each team playing a maximum of one game per day. (1/05). The team which loses the first scheduled game between seeds number 4 vs. number 13 shall be eliminated on the first day of competition. Teams losing Games 2-5 on the first day of competition shall play on the second-day of competition to determine places 9-12 but will not advance beyond Day Two. (6/05)

603.1.2.5 Ties - Two-ways

A two-way tie for seeding position shall be broken based on the head-to-head winner of the regular season Federation game receiving the higher seed.

603.1.2.6 Ties - Greater than Two-ways

Ties in the standings between more than two teams shall be broken comparing the results of all games played between tied teams, even if one or more team's seeding is determined during the course of breaking the ties. The following criteria shall be compared in order to break a tie between tied teams: goal differential, most goals scored and fewest goals allowed. If two teams remain tied after this comparison, then the winner of the head-to-head game shall receive the higher seed. If more than two teams remain tied after this comparison then seeds will be determined by a coin flip.

603.2 Official Ball

The Mikasa W6009 ball is recognized as the official Federation ball for all women's water polo competition.

603.3 Officials

At least one "A" or "National" rated official shall be assigned to work each match counting in the Federation Women's Water Polo Championship standings.

603.4 NCAA Rules

All Federation games shall be conducted using NCAA Water Polo Rules.

603.5 Equipment

All Federation teams shall wear full-back suits in accordance with FINA specifications. (6/02)

603.6 Squad-size

Federation teams shall have a maximum of 18 student-athlete plus four other staff members (coaches, SID, trainer, etc.), for a total tournament roster of 22 squad members in the bench area. Coaches must declare a fixed roster of 18 student-athletes prior to the start of the tournament. (2/01)