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1. **Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments Buenos Aires 2018**

1. The Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments are FIFA events embodied in the FIFA Statutes.

2. The Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments take place every four years in conjunction with the Youth Olympic Games.

3. As a general rule, only associations affiliated to FIFA may participate in the Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments provided there is a National Olympic Committee (hereinafter: NOC) in their respective country that is already recognised or about to be recognised by the International Olympic Committee (hereinafter: IOC).

4. The Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments Buenos Aires 2018 shall feature a men’s and a women’s futsal tournament scheduled to be played between 7 and 18 October 2018. Participation in the Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments is free of charge.

5. The Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments consist of a final competition for men and a final competition for women, with an optional preliminary competition (cf. art. 5) held at the discretion of the respective confederation with the approval of FIFA.

6. The Regulations for the Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments Buenos Aires 2018 (hereinafter: the Regulations) regulate the rights, duties and responsibilities of all associations taking part in the Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments Buenos Aires 2018. The Regulations and all guidelines and circulars issued by FIFA are binding for all parties participating and involved in the preparation, organisation and hosting of the Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments Buenos Aires 2018.

7. Any rights that are not ceded by these Regulations to the Organising Association (cf. art. 3) or any Participating Member Association (cf. art. 4) or to a confederation shall remain with the IOC and/or FIFA, as the case may be.
8. The FIFA Statutes and all FIFA regulations in force shall apply. Any reference in these Regulations to the FIFA Statutes and regulations refers to the Statutes and regulations valid at the time of application.

9. Terms used in these Regulations referring to natural persons are applicable to both genders. Any term in the singular applies to the plural and vice-versa.

2 FIFA Organising Committee

1. The Organising Committee for FIFA Competitions (the “FIFA Organising Committee”), appointed by the FIFA Council, is, among other bodies, responsible for organising the Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments Buenos Aires 2018 in cooperation with the IOC and in accordance with the respective FIFA and IOC regulations.

2. The FIFA Organising Committee may, if necessary, appoint a bureau and/or a sub-committee to deal with emergencies.

3. The FIFA Organising Committee shall deal with any aspect of the Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments that is not the responsibility of any other body under the terms of these Regulations or the FIFA Statutes.

4. The decisions taken by the FIFA Organising Committee and/or its bureau/sub-committee are final and binding and not subject to appeal.

3 Organising association/BAYOGOC

1. The Buenos Aires Youth Olympic Games Organising Committee (hereinafter: BAYOGOC) has been appointed by the IOC as the host of the final competitions of the Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments Buenos Aires 2018.

2. The responsibilities of BAYOGOC during the final competitions shall include:
General provisions

a) approving preparations for the tournaments, in particular the choice of dates;

b) ensuring that order and safety are maintained, particularly inside the halls and in their immediate surroundings. It shall take adequate measures, if necessary by working closely with the relevant authorities, to prevent and restrain outbreaks of violence. BAYOGOC shall ensure efficient entry checks and guarantee the safety and security of spectators;

c) ensuring that order and safety are maintained around the headquarters and/or the Youth Olympic Village and training halls of the participating teams;

d) ensuring the presence of a sufficient number of ground staff and security stewards to guarantee safety. BAYOGOC is responsible for the behaviour of these staff while on duty;

e) providing suitable local transport from the official hotels to the halls where the matches shall be played and to the training halls for the participating teams, match officials and delegates of FIFA;

f) providing an adequate number of seats and the necessary technical facilities for accredited local and foreign media representatives (television, press, radio and internet) as per the FIFA Media Guidelines;

g) preventing journalists, television and radio commentators and accredited film and television crews from entering the playing area at any time before, during or after the match. Only a limited number of photographers and television personnel required to operate the broadcasting equipment, all of them issued with special accreditation, may be admitted to the area between the boundaries of the field and spectators.

4 Participating Member Associations

1. The associations that play in the final competitions (the “Participating Member Associations”) agree to comply with and ensure that every Delegation Member (players, coaches, managers, officials, media officers, representatives and guests of a Participating Member Association) complies with these Regulations, the Futsal Laws of the Game, the FIFA Statutes and FIFA’s regulations,
in particular the FIFA Media Guidelines, the FIFA Media and Marketing Regulations, the FIFA Disciplinary Code, the FIFA Anti-Doping Regulations, the FIFA Code of Ethics and the FIFA Equipment Regulations, as well as with any other FIFA circular letters, regulations, guidelines, directives and/or decisions to be issued by FIFA or the IOC.

2. The entry of the ten men’s and ten women’s teams that play in the final competitions shall be communicated to BAYOGOC in writing by their respective NOCs.

3. In addition to completing FIFA’s official entry form, each participating NOC shall be requested to complete BAYOGOC’s final Sport Entry and Eligibility Conditions forms to officially register their athletes for the Buenos Aires 2018 Youth Olympic Games.

4. On entering the final competitions, the Participating Member Associations automatically undertake to:
   a) comply with the maximum number of players and officials per official delegation as defined in the Technical Rules for the Final Competitions (cf. art. 21 of the Regulations);
   b) observe these Regulations and ensure that their Delegation Members, in particular but not only the players, also observe these Regulations and the principles of fair play;
   c) accept and obey all decisions taken by the bodies and officials of FIFA or BAYOGOC under the terms of these Regulations;
   d) participate in all matches of the final competition in which their team is scheduled to take part;
   e) accept all of the arrangements relating to the final competitions made by BAYOGOC in agreement with FIFA;
   f) assist with the promotion of the final competitions by (i) ensuring that all Delegation Members participate in a photo and video shoot (all such photographs and images to be used and/or sub-licensed by the IOC and/
or BAYOGOC in accordance with the remainder of this paragraph), and (ii) securing written confirmation from each Delegation Member of the IOC’s and BAYOGOC’s right to use and/or the IOC’s and BAYOGOC’s right to sub-license the right to use, in perpetuity and free of any charge, any of their records, names, photographs and images (including any still and moving representation thereof), which may appear or be generated in connection with the participation of the Delegation Members.

5. In addition, each Participating Member Association shall be responsible for:

   a) ensuring the good behaviour of all of its officials, players, Delegation Members and other persons carrying out duties on its behalf throughout the final competitions and for the whole duration of their stay in Buenos Aires;

   b) ensuring the provision of adequate insurance to cover its Delegation Members and any other persons carrying out duties on its behalf against all risks, including but not limited to injury, accident, disease and travel, and taking into consideration the relevant FIFA rules or regulations (if applicable);

   c) paying for all expenses incurred by Delegation Members during the course of their stay in the host country and for any other costs incurred by additional members of its delegation, unless agreed otherwise in writing with BAYOGOC;

   d) paying for any costs of extending the stay;

   e) applying for any required visas in good time from the consulate or embassy of Argentina (assistance from BAYOGOC shall be sought at the earliest opportunity, if necessary);

   f) attending media conferences and other official media activities organised by FIFA or BAYOGOC in accordance with FIFA or BAYOGOC’s instructions.

6. All Participating Member Associations shall confirm their participation by submitting the originals of the official entry form and any other required documentation as communicated by FIFA via the corresponding circular(s), duly signed, to FIFA by the deadline(s) set. The timely submission to FIFA of any such documents is of the essence. The deadline shall be deemed as having been met if the relevant documents reach FIFA by the specified deadline. If a
Participating Member Association fails to adhere to the time limits and/or fails to meet the formal requirements for submitting the necessary documents, FIFA shall pass a decision.

7. All Participating Member Associations shall indemnify, defend and hold FIFA, the IOC, BAYOGOC and all of their officers, directors, employees, representatives, agents and all other auxiliary persons free and harmless against any and all liabilities, obligations, losses, damages, penalties, claims, actions, fines and expenses (including reasonable legal expenses) of whatsoever kind or nature resulting from, arising out of, or attributable to, any non-compliance with these Regulations by the Participating Member Associations, their Delegation Members, their affiliates and any third parties contracted to the Participating Member Associations.

5 Preliminary competitions

1. The organisation of preliminary competitions shall adhere to the qualification system agreed between FIFA and the IOC.

2. All six confederations have been invited by FIFA to organise preliminary qualification tournaments for the Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments. If, for a particular confederation, there is no qualification tournament, or the tournament is not confirmed to FIFA by 31 December 2017, the participating teams shall be nominated according to the following criteria:

   a) For the men’s tournament: the best-ranked team at the FIFA Futsal World Cup Colombia 2016 will obtain one slot representing its confederation.

   b) For the women’s tournament: the best-ranked team from the respective confederation from a senior futsal tournament will be allocated the slot.

   c) Should there still be slots available for allocation, other sporting criteria will be taken into account, according to the qualification system agreed between FIFA and the IOC.

3. On entering a preliminary competition, all associations automatically undertake to:
a) observe the respective regulations;

b) accept that all administrative, disciplinary and refereeing matters related to the preliminary competition shall be dealt with by the respective confederation in compliance with the regulations submitted. FIFA will only intervene in matters involving associations not affiliated to a confederation if a confederation requests FIFA’s assistance or in any cases specifically provided for in the FIFA Disciplinary Code;

c) observe the principles of fair play.

6 Withdrawal, penalty for failing to play, replacement

1. All Participating Member Associations undertake to play all of their matches until eliminated from the Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments.

2. Any Participating Member Association that withdraws from the Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments no later than 30 days before the first match of the respective final competition shall be fined at least CHF 15,000 by the FIFA Disciplinary Committee. Any Participating Member Association that withdraws from the Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments fewer than 30 days before the first match of the respective final competition shall be fined at least CHF 20,000 by the FIFA Disciplinary Committee. Depending on the circumstances of the withdrawal, the FIFA Disciplinary Committee may impose additional disciplinary measures, including the expulsion of the Participating Member Association concerned from subsequent FIFA competitions.

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4. Any match which is not played or which is abandoned – except in cases of force majeure recognised by FIFA – may lead to the imposition of disciplinary measures against the relevant associations by the FIFA Disciplinary Committee in accordance with the FIFA Disciplinary Code. In such cases, the FIFA Disciplinary Committee may also order that the match be replayed.
5. Any Participating Member Association that withdraws or whose behaviour is liable for a match not being played or being abandoned may be ordered by FIFA to reimburse FIFA, BAYOGOC or any other Participating Member Association for any expenses incurred as a result of its behaviour. In such cases, the association concerned may also be ordered by FIFA to pay compensation for any damages incurred by FIFA, BAYOGOC or any other Participating Member Association. The association in question will also forfeit any claim to financial remuneration from FIFA.

6. If a Participating Member Association withdraws or a match cannot be played or is abandoned as a result of force majeure, FIFA shall decide on the matter at its sole discretion and take whatever action is deemed necessary.

7. Further to the above provision, in the case of a match being abandoned as a result of force majeure after it has already kicked off, the following principles will apply:

a) the match shall recommence at the minute and second at which play was interrupted rather than being replayed in full, and with the same scoreline;

b) the match shall recommence with the same players on the pitch and substitutes available as when the match was abandoned;

c) no additional substitutes may be added to the list of players on the start list;

d) a player who was sent off during the abandoned match may not re-enter the match, but may be replaced by another player after a lapse of two minutes (cf. Law 3 of the Futsal Laws of the Game);

e) any disciplinary measures imposed before the match was abandoned will be dealt with in accordance with the FIFA Disciplinary Code;

f) the kick-off time, date and location shall be decided by FIFA.

8. If any Participating Member Association withdraws or is excluded from the competition, FIFA shall decide on the matter at its sole discretion and take whatever action is deemed necessary. The competent FIFA body may in particular decide to replace the association in question with another association.
7 Disciplinary matters

1. Disciplinary infringements are dealt with in compliance with the FIFA Disciplinary Code in force as well as with all relevant circulars and directives, with which the Participating Member Associations undertake to comply.

2. FIFA may introduce new disciplinary rules and disciplinary measures for the duration of the Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments. Such rules shall be communicated to the Participating Member Associations one month before the first match of the final competition at the latest.

3. The Participating Member Associations and their delegation members agree to comply with the Futsal Laws of the Game and with the FIFA Statutes and regulations, in particular the FIFA Disciplinary Code, the FIFA Anti-Doping Regulations, the FIFA Code of Ethics, the FIFA Media and Marketing Regulations and the FIFA Equipment Regulations, as well as with all directives and decisions of FIFA bodies unless these Regulations stipulate otherwise. The players agree to comply with all further FIFA guidelines, circulars and decisions that have any significance regarding the Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments.

4. In addition, all delegation members agree notably throughout the duration of the competition to:

   a) respect the spirit of fair play and non-violence and behave accordingly;

   b) refrain from doping as defined by the FIFA Anti-Doping Regulations;

   c) refrain from any discriminatory behaviour.

5. Any violation of these Regulations or any other FIFA regulations, circulars, guidelines, directives and/or decisions that does not fall under the jurisdiction of another body shall be dealt with by the FIFA Disciplinary Committee in accordance with the FIFA Disciplinary Code.
8 Disputes

1. All disputes in connection with the Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments shall be promptly settled by mediation (with the exception of those falling under art. 7 above).

2. In compliance with the FIFA Statutes, Participating Member Associations may not take disputes to an ordinary court of law but to the exclusive jurisdiction of FIFA.

3. The Participating Member Associations acknowledge and accept that, once all stages of appeal have been exhausted at FIFA, their sole recourse shall be to the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) in Lausanne, Switzerland, unless excluded or for final and binding decisions. Any such arbitration proceedings shall be governed by the CAS Code of Sports-related Arbitration.

9 Protests

1. For the purpose of these Regulations, protests are objections of any kind related to events or matters that have a direct effect on matches, including but not limited to the state of and markings on the pitch, accessory match equipment, hall installations and futsal balls.

2. Unless otherwise stipulated in this article, protests shall be submitted in writing by the head of delegation to the FIFA Match Commissioner and/or FIFA General Coordinator within two hours after the conclusion of the match in question and followed up immediately with a full written report, including a copy of the original protest, to be sent by registered letter to the FIFA headquarters in Buenos Aires within 24 hours of the end of the match, otherwise they will be disregarded.

3. Protests regarding the eligibility of players nominated for matches shall be submitted in writing to the FIFA Disciplinary Committee no later than five days before the opening match of the respective final competition and shall be dealt with by the FIFA Disciplinary Committee.
4. No protests may be made about the referee’s decisions regarding facts connected with play. Such decisions are final and not subject to appeal, unless otherwise stipulated in the FIFA Disciplinary Code.

5. If an unfounded or irresponsible protest is lodged, the FIFA administration will inform the FIFA Disciplinary Committee, which may impose a fine.

6. If any of the formal conditions of a protest as set out in these Regulations are not met, such protest shall be disregarded by the competent body. Once the final match of the Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments has ended, any protests described in this article shall be disregarded. Notwithstanding the above, the FIFA Disciplinary Committee remains competent to prosecute any disciplinary infringement ex officio as established in the FIFA Disciplinary Code.

7. The FIFA Organising Committee shall pass decisions on any protests lodged, subject to the exceptions stipulated in these Regulations, the FIFA Statutes or any other FIFA regulations.

10 Anti-doping

1. Doping is strictly prohibited.

2. Doping tests shall be carried out in accordance with the instructions issued by FIFA and the IOC. Analyses shall be carried out in laboratories made available by the IOC and accredited by WADA.

3. Furthermore, reference is made to the IOC provisions regarding doping control that shall apply for the duration of the final competitions.
11  Number of teams

The FIFA Council has determined that ten (10) teams will be selected for each of the men’s and women’s tournaments, to be apportioned among the confederations as follows:

AFC  2 teams  
CAF  1 team  
CONCACAF  2 teams  
CONMEBOL  2 teams  
OFC  1 team  
UEFA  2 teams

In accordance with IOC regulations:

a) No more than two teams per country may participate in team sports (except for the host country Argentina).

b) Argentina can only have one team (men’s or women’s) in the Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments.

12  Eligibility of players

1. Each Participating Member Association shall ensure the following when selecting its representative team:

a) All players shall hold the nationality of its country and be subject to its jurisdiction;

b) All players shall be eligible for selection in accordance with the FIFA Statutes, the Regulations Governing the Application of the FIFA Statutes and other relevant FIFA rules and regulations.

2. In addition to the above provision, for both the men’s and women’s final competitions, each Participating Member Association shall ensure that all players of its representative team were born between 1 January 2000 and 31 December 2003.
3. The Participating Member Associations are responsible for fielding only eligible players. Failure to do so will lead to the consequences stipulated in the FIFA Disciplinary Code.

4. Infringements concerning the eligibility of players shall be decided by the FIFA Disciplinary Committee in accordance with the FIFA Disciplinary Code.

13 Draws

1. The draws for the final competitions shall take place, in principle, around three months prior to the opening matches of the final competitions.

2. FIFA shall form groups for the final competitions by seeding and drawing lots whilst taking sporting and geographic factors into consideration, as far as possible.

3. FIFA's decisions on the group formation and the duration of the final competitions are final. In the event of any withdrawals, FIFA may change the groups in accordance with the provisions in par. 2.

4. The draws will be organised by FIFA and BAYOGOC and (subject to timing considerations) may be combined with a Team Workshop, team venue inspection visits and other related activities.

14 Competition format

1. The final competition of both the men’s and women’s Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments shall be played in a group stage, followed by semi-finals and bronze-medal and gold-medal matches.

2. For the knockout stages, if a match is level at the end of normal playing time, extra time shall be played. Extra time shall consist of two periods of five
minutes each. If the score is still level at the end of extra time, kicks from the penalty mark shall be taken to determine the winner, in accordance with the procedure specified in the Futsal Laws of the Game.

15 Group stage

1. The ten teams taking part in the men’s and women’s tournaments will be divided into two groups of five teams.

2. The teams in the men’s groups will be designated as follows:

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3. The teams in the women’s groups will be designated as follows:

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4. The system of play will be the league system, each team playing one match against each of the other teams in the same group, with three points for a win, one point for a draw and none for a defeat.

5. The ranking of each team in each group will be determined as follows:

a) Greatest number of points obtained in all group matches;

b) Goal difference in all group matches;
c) Greatest number of goals scored in all group matches.

If two or more teams are equal on the basis of the above three criteria, their rankings will be determined as follows:

d) Greatest number of points obtained in the group matches between the teams concerned;

e) Goal difference resulting from the group matches between the teams concerned;

f) Greatest number of goals scored in all group matches between the teams concerned;

g) Greatest number of points obtained in the fair-play conduct of the teams based on yellow and red cards received in all group matches as follows:

- first yellow card: minus 1 point
- second yellow/indirect red card: minus 3 points
- direct red card: minus 4 points
- yellow card and direct red card: minus 5 points

Only one of the above deductions shall be applied to a player in a single match.

h) Drawing of lots by FIFA.

6.
The teams that are eliminated after the group stage (six teams, from 5th to 10th) shall be ranked according to the following criteria:

a) Greatest number of points obtained in all group matches;

b) Goal difference in all group matches;

c) Greatest number of goals scored in all group matches.

If any teams cannot be separated according to the above criteria, they shall share equal ranking.
16 Semi-final stage

1. The top two teams from the men’s groups will contest the men’s semi-finals as follows:

   Winner A v. Runner-up B
   Winner B v. Runner-up A

2. The top two teams from the women’s groups will contest the women’s semi-finals as follows:

   Winner C v. Runner-up D
   Winner D v. Runner-up C

17 Gold medal and bronze medal matches

Men’s Tournament
1. The winners of the men’s semi-finals will qualify for the men’s gold medal match.

2. The losers of the men’s semi-finals contest the men’s bronze medal match.

Women’s Tournament
3. The winners of the women’s semi-finals will qualify for the women’s gold medal match.

4. The losers of the women’s semi-finals contest the women’s bronze medal match.
18 Venues, halls, dates and kick-off times for matches

Venues, dates and kick-off times
1.
The venues, dates and kick-off times of the matches shall be proposed by BAYOGOC, subject to the approval of FIFA.

2.
FIFA shall fix the dates and venues of the matches.

Arrival at venues
3.
Each team participating in the final competitions shall arrive in the venue of their first group match at least four (4) days before the team’s first match, in cooperation with the rules of athlete arrival as established by the IOC and BAYOGOC.

Hall safety and security
4.
BAYOGOC shall ensure that the halls and facilities in which the matches take place comply with the FIFA Stadium Safety and Security Regulations and other FIFA guidelines and instructions for international matches in force. The halls selected for use during the Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments shall be subject to approval by FIFA. BAYOGOC is responsible for safety and order in and around the halls before, during and after matches.

5.
As a general rule, final competition matches may only be played in all-seater halls. If only halls with both seating and standing areas are available, the standing areas shall remain vacant.

Official training sessions in the halls
6.
Whenever possible, the teams will be entitled to one 45-minute training session in the hall hosting their first match on the day before their match. Training times will be communicated by FIFA.

7.
If deemed necessary, FIFA may shorten or cancel the training session.
Pre-match warm-up sessions in the halls
8.
The teams will be entitled to warm up on the pitch before each match. In principle, such warm-up will be 30 minutes in length. If the pitch is not available due to the match schedule, FIFA may shorten or cancel the warm-up session.

Match protocol
9.
During the final competitions, the following procedures shall be carried out in order to ensure that FIFA match protocol is respected:

a) The national anthems of the two teams shall be played after the line-up.

b) In addition to the Olympic flag and any other flag(s) required according to Olympic protocol, the flags of the two teams shall be flown in the hall during matches.

c) Olympic protocol (cf. Appendix B) shall apply to the final competitions in any matters other than those mentioned in this article.

19 Hall infrastructure and equipment
1.
The pitch, accessory equipment and all facilities for each match of the final competitions shall be in optimum condition and comply with the Futsal Laws of the Game and all other relevant regulations.

Field of play dimensions
2.
The pitch shall have the following dimensions: length 40m, width 20m. The total surface area shall have at least the following dimensions: length 48m, width 32m, in order to provide sufficient space for warm-up areas and pitch-side photographer positions.

Warm-up areas
3.
Each hall shall have sufficient space behind the team benches to allow the players to warm up during the matches. A maximum of five (5) players shall warm up at the same time (with a maximum of one (1) official). Only the goalkeeper may warm up with a ball.
Field of play equipment

4.
All goals shall be equipped with goal nets. The hall shall have spare goals and nets in close proximity to the field of play for contingency purposes.

Hall clocks and giant screens

5.
Each hall shall have a clock with precise timekeeping connected with the timekeeper (4th referee) table, a device to time the two-minute expulsion of four players simultaneously and to monitor the accumulation of fouls by each team during each period of play, according to art. 6 of the Futsal Laws of the Game. The half-time interval shall be 15 minutes.

6.
The use of giant screens must be in compliance with the Guidelines for the Use of Giant Screens at FIFA Matches.

No smoking

7.
Smoking is not allowed in the technical area, in the vicinity of the field of play or within competition areas such as the dressing rooms.

Exclusive-use period

8.
The halls and training halls shall not be used for any other matches or events from at least ten days prior to the start of the final competitions (or earlier if deemed necessary by FIFA if conditions require) until the final competitions are completed, unless FIFA gives special permission.

20 Training halls

1.
BAYOGOC shall provide training halls for the teams. They shall be in good condition and approved by FIFA. They shall be situated near the Youth Olympic Village and made available at least four days before the opening match until one day after the team’s last match in the Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments.

2.
As from four (4) days prior to the first match of the final competitions and up to their elimination, the Participating Member Associations shall use only those
training halls which have been officially designated for training by FIFA and BAYOGOC.

3. In principle, the teams shall use the training halls on a rotation basis in order to ensure that each team has the same conditions. Full details about the allocation of training halls shall be communicated by FIFA in due course.

4. The training halls shall have the same surface as the match pitches, be in perfect condition, and be fully marked in accordance with the Futsal Laws of the Game.

5. BAYOGOC shall provide support personnel and suitable training hall equipment at all official training halls. Each training hall shall be equipped with at least one dressing room with lockers, showers and toilets.

21 Player lists and official delegation lists

Provisional list of players

1. Each Participating Member Association shall submit online a provisional list of not more than 20 players (a minimum of three of whom shall be goalkeepers) to FIFA, accompanied by a copy of the passport of each player appearing on the list. Further specifics of the provisional list, including the number of players allowed on the list and the deadline by which the list shall be submitted to FIFA, will be stipulated in the relevant circular.

Final list of players

2. The final list of the ten players (a minimum of two of whom shall be goalkeepers) selected to participate in the respective final competition, as well as the list of the three officials, shall be submitted to BAYOGOC and FIFA, using the official IOC and FIFA forms, at least ten working days before the opening match of the final competitions. The players on the final list of players must be chosen from the players on the provisional list. The final list of players shall be accompanied, at a minimum, by the following information:

- Full last name
- All first names
- Position
- Date of birth
– Popular name – Passport number and expiry date
– Name to be placed on shirt – Height and weight
– Number to be placed on shirt

3.
Only the ten players on the final list will be permitted to take part in the respective final competition. Only the numbers 1 to 10 may be allocated to these players, with number 1 being reserved exclusively for one of the goalkeepers. The numbers on the back of the shirts shall correspond with the numbers indicated on the final list of players. In the event of a goalkeeper being replaced by another player, each team shall provide a goalkeeper shirt with the number of the replacing player marked on the back of the shirt in order to distinguish this replacement goalkeeper from the other players.

Replacement of injured players

4.
To replace a player who already features on the final list of ten players and sustains a serious injury or is so ill that the player can no longer be expected to play (according to the IOC Late Athlete Replacement Policy), the proposed replacement player must feature on the long list of applications for accreditation sent to BAYOGOC by the NOC. Provided that the FIFA Medical Committee has verified the injury or illness on the basis of a medical certificate issued by the team doctor, such a replacement can be made between the submission of the final list until up to 48 hours prior to the team’s arrival in Buenos Aires. The exact procedure to be followed for such a replacement will be described in detail in the relevant FIFA circular and the Late Athlete Replacement Policy of the IOC. During this period, any replacement player will take over the shirt number of the injured or ill player being replaced.

Any request to change a player’s status must be made by completing the BAYOGOC Official Late Athlete Replacement Form. The form must be completed by the team and approved by FIFA in order to be valid. The NOC “Chef de Mission” or the football association’s head of delegation must submit this form to BAYOGOC.

5.
Participating Member Associations shall have their officials accredited by their respective NOC with an indication of the name and function of each person, as per the information contained in the final list of players and officials in compliance with IOC/BAYOGOC regulations.
6. The maximum number of officials in each delegation shall be three, including the head of delegation.

7. The final list of ten players will be published by FIFA.

8. Before the start of the final competition, every player on the final list must prove his/her identity, nationality and age by producing his/her legally valid individual passport with photograph (stating day, month and year of birth) and a copy of his/her birth certificate.

Accreditation

9. BAYOGOC shall issue each player and official with an official accreditation bearing a photograph.

10. Only players in possession of valid accreditation may play in a final competition. The accreditation shall always be available for inspection by FIFA officials (e.g. referees, General Coordinators).

11. Each Participating Member Association shall receive a maximum of 13 accreditations per team (ten for the listed players and three for officials).

12. The Participating Member Associations shall ensure that all accreditation data required by FIFA is submitted by the deadline stipulated by FIFA. Further details will be outlined in a FIFA circular letter.

Start lists and substitutes’ benches

Start lists

1. Each team is responsible for arriving at the hall at the latest 75 minutes before the kick-off of the respective match and for providing the completed start list to the FIFA General Coordinator upon such arrival.
2. All ten players shall be named on the start list for each match (five selected players and five substitutes).

3. The numbers on the players’ shirts must correspond to the numbers indicated on the start list. The start list shall be signed by the head coach.

4. Each team is responsible for ensuring that the start list is completed properly and submitted on time, and that only the selected players start the match. In the case of any discrepancies, the matter will be submitted to the FIFA Disciplinary Committee.

5. Any of the five players submitted on the start list may be replaced by an eligible substitute before kick-off, but only if they are unable to begin the match due to injury or illness. The FIFA General Coordinator must be officially informed prior to kick-off. Within 24 hours of the final whistle, the team concerned must also provide FIFA with a medical report issued by the team doctor responsible (in one of the four official languages of FIFA).

6. Further to the above, any injured or ill player who is removed from the start list will no longer be eligible to take part in the match, and thus cannot be selected as a substitute player at any time during the game.

7. Although no longer eligible to play as a substitute, the injured or ill player who was removed from the start list may be seated on the substitutes’ bench, and if so, would then also be eligible for doping control selection.

8. Only the players who were identified on the official start list submitted to the FIFA General Coordinator, or were confirmed as a warm-up injury/illness replacement player, may start the match. In the case of any discrepancies of players on the pitch at the beginning of a match, the matter will be submitted to the FIFA Disciplinary Committee for a decision.
Substitutes’ bench

9. No more than eight people (three officials and five substitutes) shall be allowed to sit on the substitutes’ bench. The names of these officials must be indicated on the “Officials on the Substitutes’ Bench” form and provided to the FIFA General Coordinator. A suspended player or official will not be allowed to sit on the substitutes’ bench.

10. The use of any communication equipment and/or systems between and/or amongst players and/or technical staff is not permitted, except where it directly relates to player welfare or safety. FIFA will provide more information by means of a circular letter.

Team equipment and team colours

Team equipment guidelines

1. The Participating Member Associations shall undertake to comply with the FIFA Equipment Regulations with regard to all issues concerning colours, numbering and the printing of names on the players’ equipment, for the competitions.

2. During the final competitions, unlike at other FIFA competitions, the IOC Olympic Charter shall form the basis for the acceptance of the equipment of the Participating Member Associations. The latter will be representing their NOCs during the Buenos Aires 2018 Youth Olympic Games and shall therefore comply fully with IOC guidelines. NOCs are formally responsible for ensuring that the equipment of all of their representative teams is in compliance with IOC and FIFA regulations. As members of FIFA, the associations are responsible for sharing the relevant FIFA equipment requirements with their NOC so that all equipment brought to the Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments complies with both FIFA and IOC regulations.

3. Rule 50 and the Bye-law to Rule 50 of the Olympic Charter (cf. Appendix B) describe the specifications of manufacturer identification allowed on the players’ kits and on other clothing worn by substitutes and officials in the hall and training halls. This ruling shall take precedence over the FIFA Equipment Regulations in force in terms of advertising on sports equipment and manufacturers’ identification for the duration of the final competitions.
4. The display of political, religious or personal messages or slogans in any language or form by players and officials on their team kits, equipment (including kit bags, beverage containers, medical bags, etc.) or body is prohibited. The similar display of commercial messages and slogans in any language or form by players and officials is not allowed for the duration of their time at any official activity organised by FIFA (including in the halls for official matches and training sessions, as well as during official media conferences and mixed-zone activities).

Team colours

5. Each team shall inform FIFA of two different and contrasting colours (one predominantly dark and one predominantly light) for its official and reserve team kits (shirt, shorts and socks). In addition, each team shall select two contrasting colours for the goalkeepers. These two goalkeeper kits must be distinctly different and contrasting from each other as well as different and contrasting from the official and reserve team kits. This information shall be sent to FIFA on the team colours form. Only these colours may be worn during matches.

6. FIFA will inform the teams of the colours that they shall wear for each match by means of a circular letter and/or at the match coordination meetings.

Team kit approval procedures

7. Each Participating Member Association shall provide FIFA with exact samples of the following equipment, including names and numbers printed on the shirts and shorts in compliance with the FIFA Equipment Regulations:

a) Official and reserve kits (two sets of shirts, shorts, socks);

b) Two sets of the goalkeeper’s kit (shirts, shorts, socks);

c) Goalkeeper’s gloves;

d) Equipment that will be worn by the substitute players and the technical staff sitting on the bench during the matches.

The approval procedure for all such kits and the applicable deadlines will be communicated by circular letter. All equipment submitted to FIFA must already have been approved by the team’s respective NOC.
8. During the final competitions, all equipment (kits, gloves, bags, medical equipment, etc.) that could be on display within the halls, training halls, hotels or during transfers to, from or within Buenos Aires must be approved by FIFA.

Players’ names and numbers

9. Throughout the Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments, each player shall wear the number assigned to him/her on the final list. Such number shall be displayed on the front and back of his/her shirt and on his/her shorts in accordance with the FIFA Equipment Regulations.

10. The player’s last name or popular name (or abbreviation) shall be affixed above the number on the back of the shirt and shall be clearly legible in accordance with the FIFA Equipment Regulations. The name on the shirt must bear a strong resemblance to the player’s popular name as indicated on FIFA’s official list of players and in any other official FIFA documentation. In case of doubt, FIFA shall have the final decision regarding the name that appears on the shirt.

Team kit on matchdays

11. The official and reserve team kits and all goalkeeper kits (including the goalkeeper shirts without names and numbers) shall be taken to every match.

Futsal balls

12. The futsal balls used in the final competitions shall be selected and exclusively supplied by FIFA. The futsal balls shall conform with the provisions of the Futsal Laws of the Game and the FIFA Equipment Regulations. They shall bear one of the following three designations: the official “FIFA QUALITY” logo, the official “FIFA QUALITY PRO” logo or the “INTERNATIONAL MATCHBALL STANDARD” reference.

13. Each team will receive 12 training balls from FIFA and/or the IOC upon conclusion of the official draw as well as an additional 12 training balls upon arrival in Buenos Aires. Only these balls delivered by FIFA and/or the IOC may be used for training and warm-up sessions in the official halls and in the official training halls.
Warm-up bibs

14.
Only warm-up bibs provided by BAYOGOC may be used during training sessions held in the halls and for the warm-up of substitute players during the match.

24 Refereeing

1.
Two referees (referee and second referee) and two assistant referees (third referee and timekeeper) (hereinafter referred to collectively as “match officials”) for the final competitions shall be appointed for each match by the FIFA Referees Committee. They shall be selected from the FIFA International Refereeing List in force and come from a member association whose team is not playing in the group or match in question. A reserve assistant referee may also be appointed for certain matches.

2.
The match officials shall receive their official refereeing kit and equipment from FIFA. They shall wear and use only this kit and equipment on matchdays.

3.
The match officials shall be provided with training facilities. These training facilities must be in good condition and must be approved by FIFA and shall not be used for any other matches or events from at least ten days prior to the start of the competitions until the competitions are completed.

4.
If one of the two referees is prevented from carrying out his/her duties, said referee shall be replaced by the third referee. The FIFA Referees Committee shall be informed immediately.

5.
After each match, the referee shall complete and sign the official FIFA report form. The referee shall hand it over to the FIFA General Coordinator in the hall immediately after the match. On the report form, the referee shall note all occurrences of significance, such as misconduct of players leading to caution or expulsion, unsporting behaviour by supporters and/or by officials or any other person acting on behalf of an association at the match and any other incident happening before, during or after the match in as much detail as possible.
6. The decisions of the FIFA Referees Committee are final and not subject to appeal.

Futsal Laws of the Game

All matches shall be played in accordance with the Futsal Laws of the Game in force at the time of the Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments. In the case of any discrepancy in the interpretation of the translation of the Futsal Laws of the Game, the English version shall be authoritative.

Olympic medals and diplomas

1. Each player of the three top-ranked teams who features on the official list of players shall receive a medal:

- Youth Olympic champion: a Youth Olympic gold medal and a diploma
- Runner-up: a Youth Olympic silver medal and a diploma
- Third place: a Youth Olympic bronze medal and a diploma

These medals and diplomas shall be provided by BAYOGOC for distribution by the IOC.

2. Each player of the team ranked fourth shall receive a diploma. These diplomas shall be provided by BAYOGOC for distribution by the IOC.

FIFA awards

3. The FIFA Fair Play Trophy, a fair play medal and a diploma for each player and official as well as a voucher for futsal equipment (to be used for futsal development, the exact amount of which shall be fixed by the relevant FIFA committee) shall be presented to the team finishing first in the fair play contest of the men’s and women’s final competitions. The applicable rules are in the Fair Play Contest Regulations. Since presenting the fair play awards in the hall at the end of the men’s and women’s finals would contravene Olympic protocol, FIFA shall find another non-Olympic occasion to make these presentations.
4. There are no official awards other than those listed above, unless otherwise decided by the FIFA.

27 Seating arrangements, tickets

1. During matches of the competitions, the members of the FIFA delegation (including match officials) shall be seated in the allocated seating area.

2. Members of the FIFA delegation shall only gain access to the allocated seating area with valid accreditation.

3. Participating Member Associations shall be accommodated in the athletes’ seating area.

4. Players and officials from the Participating Member Associations shall only gain access to the athletes’ seating area with a valid accreditation.

5. In the event of multiple matches being played in the same venue on the same day, a specific athletes’ seating area shall be reserved for the teams playing in the matches.

6. As with all other events in the Youth Olympic Games, futsal falls under the auspices of the IOC. The customary FIFA policy of allocating complimentary tickets to the teams for their matches in the group or knockout stages does not apply. Should an association wish to purchase additional tickets for its own or other matches, requests should be addressed to its NOC, the latter being solely responsible for coordinating any additional ticket requests for all sports disciplines.
**28 Financial provisions**

1. The following financial terms and conditions are regulated jointly by the Olympic Charter of the IOC, the Host City Contract and the Memorandum of Understanding signed by FIFA and BAYOGOC, and are borne jointly by the IOC, BAYOGOC and the respective NOCs:

   a) Board and lodging of the participating teams and match officials;

   b) International air travel expenses for the participating teams and match officials;

   c) Domestic travel expenses (by air or road) during the final competitions for the participating teams and match officials;

   d) Laundry service for the match and training kits of the participating teams and match officials.

2. Each Participating Member Association shall be responsible for and bear the costs of the following:

   a) Adequate insurance cover for its whole delegation (players and officials);

   b) Board and lodging during the final competitions (in excess of the amounts paid by the IOC or BAYOGOC);

   c) Any costs associated with additional members of the association’s delegation (in excess of the official delegation as defined in these Regulations).

3. Any expenses other than those stipulated in these Regulations and not explicitly outlined to be borne by FIFA or BAYOGOC shall be borne by the relevant Participating Member Association.
29 Commercial rights

Rights of the Participating Member Associations

1. In the absence of any written agreement with FIFA to the contrary, or as set out herein, no Participating Member Association shall have any promotional, advertising, marketing, broadcasting or other commercial exploitation rights in relation to:

a) the final competitions of the Youth Olympic Futsal Tournaments;

b) any event held under the auspices of FIFA;

c) FIFA or the IOC.

FIFA marks

2. FIFA owns and controls all intellectual property rights relating to its name, marks, logos, emblems, cup design and other such marks relating to the tournaments on a worldwide basis, including but not limited to:

a) the name “FIFA”;

b) the FIFA design emblem.

3. The use of these marks is subject to FIFA’s prior written approval and further regulations issued by FIFA. The Participating Member Associations shall not use FIFA’s marks without obtaining such written approval.

Rights of the IOC

4. All commercial rights in relation to the final competitions (marketing and TV rights) are regulated by the IOC.
30 Special circumstances

FIFA shall, in conjunction with the IOC and BAYOGOC, issue any instructions necessitated by special circumstances that may arise in Buenos Aires. These instructions shall form an integral part of these Regulations.

31 Matters not provided for

Any matters not provided for in these Regulations and any cases of force majeure shall be decided by FIFA in cooperation with the IOC and BAYOGOC. All decisions shall be final and binding and not subject to appeal.

32 Languages

In the case of any discrepancy in the interpretation of the English, French, German or Spanish texts of these Regulations, the English text shall be authoritative.

33 Copyright

The copyright of the match schedules drawn up in accordance with the provisions of these Regulations is the property of FIFA.

34 No waiver

Any waiver by FIFA of any breach of these Regulations (including of any document referred to in these Regulations) will not operate as, or be construed to be, a waiver of any other breach of such provision or of any breach of any other provision or a waiver of any right arising out of these Regulations or any other document. Any such waiver shall only be valid if given in writing. Failure by FIFA to insist upon strict adherence to any provision of these Regulations, or any document referred to in these Regulations, on one or more occasions will not be considered to be a waiver of, or deprive FIFA of the right to subsequently insist upon strict adherence to that provision or any other provision of these Regulations, or any document referred to in these Regulations.
35 Enforcement

These Regulations were approved by the FIFA Council in October 2017 and came into force immediately thereafter.

Zurich, October 2017

For the FIFA Council

President: Gianni Infantino
Secretary General: Fatma Samoura
I. General provisions

1. As part of its campaign to promote fair play, FIFA regularly holds a fair play contest during its championships, based on an appraisal of the teams’ conduct by a FIFA delegate such as the Match Commissioner, a member of the Technical Study Group or a member of a standing committee.

2. The objective of fair play activities is to foster a sporting spirit among players, team officials and spectators, thereby heightening the fans’ enjoyment of the game.

3. At the final whistle of each game, the delegate shall complete the appropriate fair play form after consulting the referee and the referee assessor.

4. Every match in the final competition shall be taken into account.

5. FIFA shall compile and publish the classification at the end of the final competition. Its decision is final.

6. FIFA will award the team that wins the fair play contest a trophy, a medal for each player and official, and a diploma, all of which the team can keep permanently. The team shall also receive a voucher valued at USD 10,000, which shall be exchanged for a supply of futsal equipment to be used exclusively for futsal development.
II. Assessment criteria
1. The assessment form contains six criteria by which the teams’ fair play performance shall be judged, stressing the positive aspects rather than negative. As a general rule, maximum points shall only be awarded if the team concerned displays a positive attitude.

2. Red and yellow cards shall be deducted from a maximum of 10 points:

- first yellow card: minus 1 point
- second yellow/indirect red card: minus 3 points
- direct red card: minus 3 points
- yellow card & direct red card: minus 4 points

Red and yellow cards are the only criteria entailing minus points.

3. Positive play
   Minimum 1 point
   Maximum 10 points

   The aim of this criterion is to reward attacking and attractive play, and shall take into account such aspects as:

   a) Positive aspects
      – attacking rather than defensive tactics;
      – speeding up the game;
      – constantly attempting to score even if the desired result (e.g. qualification) has already been achieved.

   b) Negative aspects
      – tactics that rely on rough play;
      – play-acting;
      – time-wasting etc.

   c) As a general rule, positive play is correlated with the number of scoring chances created and the number of goals scored.
4. 
Respect towards the opponent  
Minimum 1 point  
Maximum 5 points  

Players are expected to respect the Futsal Laws of the Game, the competition regulations and opponents, etc.

When assessing the players’ behaviour towards the opponents, duplication of the judgment for red and yellow cards should be avoided. However, the delegate may take into account the seriousness of the offences punished by cards as well as those overlooked by the referee.

Assessment shall be based on positive attitudes (e.g. helping an injured opponent) rather than on infringements. Behaviour that is basically faultless but does not outwardly show any particularly positive attitude or gesture towards opponents shall be given a mark of 4 rather than 5.

5. 
Respect towards the referee/match officials  
Minimum 1 point  
Maximum 5 points  

Players are expected to respect the match officials and the decisions they take.

A positive attitude towards the referee, including acceptance of decisions without protest, shall be rewarded. Behaviour that is basically faultless but does not outwardly show any particularly positive attitude or gesture towards the match officials shall be given a mark of 4 rather than 5.

6. 
Behaviour of the team officials  
Minimum 1 point  
Maximum 5 points  

Coaches and other team officials are expected to encourage the sporting, technical, tactical and ethical standards of their team and to direct the players to behave in accordance with the principles of fair play.

Both positive and negative factors in the behaviour of the team officials shall be included in the assessment, such as for instance whether they calm down
angry players or how they accept the referee’s decisions. Inciting or provoking players shall be rated negatively.

Cooperation with the media shall also be a factor in the assessment. Behaviour that is faultless but does not outwardly show any particularly positive attitude or gesture shall be given a mark of 4 rather than 5.

7. Behaviour of the crowd
   Minimum 1 point
   Maximum 5 points

The crowd is considered to be an integral part of a futsal match. Fans can contribute to the positive atmosphere of a match by encouraging their team by cheering and singing etc. in the spirit of fair play.

Spectators are, however, expected to respect the opponents and the referee. They should appreciate the opponents’ performance regardless of the result and in no way intimidate or frighten opponents, the referee or the opponents’ supporters.

The maximum number of points (5) may only be awarded if all these requirements have been satisfied, especially as regards creating a positive atmosphere.

This criterion is applicable only if a substantial number of fans of the team concerned are present. If the number of fans is negligible, “n.a.” (not applicable) shall be entered under this item.
III. Final assessment
The final assessment of a team is obtained as follows:

a) the points awarded are added together, e.g. for team A:
   \[ 8 + 7 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 4 = 31 \]

b) this total is divided by the maximum number of points possible (40):
   \[ 31 \div 40 = 0.775 \]

c) this figure is multiplied by 1,000:
   \[ 0.775 \times 1,000 = 775 \]

If, however, the number of fans supporting a certain team is negligible and the “behaviour of the crowd” criterion consequently disregarded (“n.a.” – cf. art. II par. 7 of the Fair Play Contest Regulations), the maximum number of points obtainable will be 35.

Thus the final assessment would be attained as follows:

a) the points awarded are added together, e.g. for team B:
   \[ 7 + 8 + 2 + 5 + 2 = 24 \]

b) this total is divided by the maximum number of points possible (35):
   \[ 24 \div 35 = 0.686 \]

c) this figure is multiplied by 1,000:
   \[ 0.686 \times 1000 = 686 \]

The overall assessment of a team during the final competition shall be calculated by adding the points attained at each match and dividing this figure by the number of matches played.

Teams that are eliminated after the group stage of the final competition shall be excluded from the fair play contest.

In addition to making the assessment, members of FIFA may give a short oral account of the teams’ fair play performance to explain the positive and negative factors, which form the basis of their assessment. The account may also point out any outstanding gestures of fair play from a player, official, referee or any other person. However, no additional points shall be awarded for this reason.
These Regulations were approved by the FIFA Council in October 2017 and came into force immediately thereafter.

The previous version of these Regulations shall apply mutatis mutandis to any matters that arose before these Regulations came into force.

Zurich, October 2017

For FIFA

President: Gianni Infantino
Secretary General: Fatma Samoura
50 Advertising, demonstrations, propaganda

1. The IOC Executive Board determines the principles and conditions under which any form of advertising or other publicity may be authorised.

2. No form of advertising or other publicity shall be allowed in the hall, venues and other competition areas which are considered as part of the Olympic sites. Commercial installations and advertising signs shall not be allowed in the halls, venues or other sports grounds.

3. No kind of demonstration or political, religious or racial propaganda is permitted in any Olympic sites, venues or other areas.

Bye-law to Rule 50

1. No form of publicity or propaganda, commercial or otherwise, may appear on persons, on sportswear, accessories or, more generally, on any article of clothing or equipment whatsoever worn or used by the athletes or other participants in the Youth Olympic Games, except for the identification – as defined in paragraph 8 below – of the manufacturer of the article or equipment concerned, provided that such identification shall not be marked conspicuously for advertising purposes.

1.1 The identification of the manufacturer shall not appear more than once per item of clothing and equipment.

1.2 Equipment: any manufacturer’s identification that is greater than 10% of the surface area of the equipment that is exposed during competition shall be deemed to be marked conspicuously. However, there shall be no manufacturer’s identification greater than 60cm².

1.3 Headgear (e.g. hats, helmets, sunglasses, goggles) and gloves: any manufacturer’s identification over 6cm² shall be deemed to be marked conspicuously.

1.4 Clothing (e.g. T-shirts, shorts, sweat tops and sweat pants): any manufacturer’s identification which is greater than 20cm² shall be deemed to be marked conspicuously.
1.5 Shoes: it is acceptable that there appear the normal distinctive design pattern of the manufacturer. The manufacturer’s name and/or logo may also appear, up to a maximum of 6cm², either as part of the normal distinctive design pattern or independent of the normal distinctive design pattern.

1.6 In case of special rules adopted by an International Sports Federation, exceptions to the rules mentioned above may be approved by the IOC Executive Board.

Any violation of the provisions of the present clause shall result in disqualification or withdrawal of the accreditation of the person concerned. The decisions of the IOC Executive Board regarding this matter shall be final.

The numbers worn by competitors may not display publicity of any kind and must bear the Olympic emblem of the Buenos Aires Youth Olympic Games Organising Committee (BAYOGOC).

2.
To be valid, all contracts of BAYOGOC containing any element whatsoever of advertising, including the right or licence to use the emblem or the mascot of the Youth Olympic Games, must be in conformity with the Olympic Charter and must comply with the instructions given by the IOC Executive Board. The same shall apply to contracts relating to the timing equipment, the scoreboards, and to the injection of any identification signal in television programmes. Breaches of these regulations come under the authority of the IOC Executive Board.

3.
Any mascot created for the Youth Olympic Games shall be considered to be an Olympic emblem, the design of which must be submitted by BAYOGOC to the IOC Executive Board for its approval. Such mascot may not be used for commercial purposes in the country of an NOC without the latter’s prior written approval.

4.
BAYOGOC shall ensure the protection of the property of the emblem and the mascot of the Youth Olympic Games for the benefit of the IOC, both nationally and internationally. However, BAYOGOC alone and, after BAYOGOC has been
wound up, the NOC of the host country, may exploit such emblem and mascot, as well as other marks, designs, badges, posters, objects and documents connected with the Youth Olympic Games during their preparation, during their holding and during a period terminating not later than the end of the calendar year during which such Youth Olympic Games are held. Upon the expiry of this period, all rights in or relating to such emblem, mascot and other marks, designs, badges, posters, objects and documents shall thereafter belong entirely to the IOC. BAYOGOC and/or the NOC, as the case may be and to the extent necessary, shall act as trustees (in a fiduciary capacity) for the sole benefit of the IOC in this respect.

5. The provisions of this Bye-law also apply, mutatis mutandis, to all contracts signed by the organising committee of a Session or an Olympic Congress.

6. The uniforms of the competitors and of all persons holding an official position may include the flag or Olympic emblem of their NOC or, with the consent of BAYOGOC, the BAYOGOC Olympic emblem. The IF officials may wear the uniform and the emblem of their federations.

7. The identification on all technical gear, installations and other apparatus, which are neither worn nor used by athletes or other participants at the Youth Olympic Games, including timing equipment and scoreboards, may on no account be larger than 1/10th of the height of the equipment, installation or apparatus in question, and shall not be greater than 10cm high.

8. The word “identification” means the normal display of the name, designation, trademark, logo or any other distinctive sign of the manufacturer of the item, appearing not more than once per item.

9. BAYOGOC, all participants and all other persons accredited at the Youth Olympic Games and all other persons or parties concerned shall comply with the manuals, guides, or guidelines, and all other instructions of the IOC Executive Board, in respect of all matters subject to Rule 50 and this Bye-law.
51 Protocol

1. Throughout the period of the Youth Olympic Games, the IOC Executive Board alone has the authority to determine the protocol applicable at all sites and venues placed under the responsibility of BAYOGOC.

2. At all Olympic functions and events during the Youth Olympic Games, the members, Honorary President, honorary members and honour members of the IOC in their order of seniority, the President, Honorary President and Vice-Presidents leading, take precedence followed by the members of BAYOGOC, the Presidents of the IFs and the Presidents of the NOCs.

3. BAYOGOC, the IFs, the NOCs and all other persons accredited at the Youth Olympic Games, in any capacity whatsoever, shall comply with the IOC Protocol Guide, and all other instructions of the IOC Executive Board, in respect of all matters subject to this Rule.

In the event of any divergence in the wording of the different language versions, the French text of Rule 50 and its Bye-law as well as Rule 51 of the Olympic Charter in force as of 9 September 2013 shall be authoritative.