



XXXII IRF WORLD JUNIOR RACQUETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

GUATEMALA CITY, GUATEMALA
DECEMBER 2 – 11, 2021



The International Racquetball Federation and the National Racquetball Association of Guatemala have the honor of inviting you to participate in the **XXXII IRF WORLD JUNIOR RACQUETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP** to be held in Guatemala City, Guatemala.

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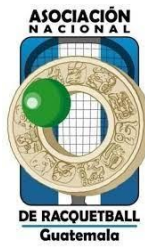
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DATES

December 2 – 11, 2021

CLUB

Domo Complejo de Racquetball
Avenida Final 10-27 Zona 13, Guatemala City, Guatemala.

OFFICIAL BALL

Gearbox Sleek Black



2020-2021 PARC AND IRF DUES

IRF dues for 2020 and 2021 will be collected during the 2021 World Junior Racquetball Championship (\$1,000 USD each year).

As of January 1 2019, annual dues are \$1,000 USD by country. Dues must be paid to participate in this event.

CUPS AND DIVISIONS

WORLD CUP

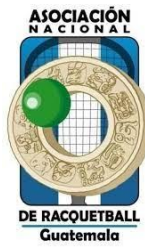
Player eligibility is based on age as of 1 January 2021.

- 18 Girls Singles – 2 players maximum per country (born after 1/1/2002)
- 16 Girls Singles – 2 players maximum per country (born after 1/1/2004)
- 14 Girls Singles – 2 players maximum per country (born after 1/1/2006)

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- 16 Boys Singles – 2 players maximum per country
- 14 Boys Singles – 2 players maximum per country

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ESPRIT CUP

- 12 Girls Singles – 6 players maximum per country (born after 1/1/2008)
- 10 Girls Singles – 6 players maximum per country (born after 1/1/2010)

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- 10 Boys Singles – 6 players maximum per country

- 12 Girls Doubles – 2 teams maximum per country
- 10 Girls Doubles – 2 teams maximum per country

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- 10 Boys Doubles – 2 teams maximum per country

*** For the Esprit Cup, only 2 pre-designated players in the singles competition and 1 pre-designated team in the doubles competition will contribute points toward the Team Competition.**

CHALLENGER CUP: THE CHALLENGER CUP IS NOT OFFERED THIS YEAR.

REGISTRATION

1st Open and Junior events - \$ 200 USD – TWO HUNDRED US DOLLARS
2nd Open and Junior events - \$ 200 USD – TWO HUNDRED US DOLLARS

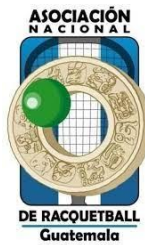
The final date to accept entries is November 12th. After this date, the organization will not accept any changes or new registrations.

The registration must be paid in cash (**USD**) at the Coaches Meeting for the total number of registered entries independent of whether they play or not. Further, it is obligatory that identification documents (**passports**) be presented that show the nationality of players.

Registration of players should only be sent to:

maurograndio@internationalracquetball.org

[*Please send the completed Excel spreadsheet to this address.](#)



INSURANCE POLICIES

Each delegation will be responsible for coordinating insurance for its athletes, coaches, delegates, and any other official members of the Delegation. This insurance must cover any emergency / eventuality during the tournament including those related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

VISA AND COVID-19 REQUIREMENTS: Check to see if the citizens of your country are required to have a travel visa to enter Guatemala.

- <https://igm.gob.gt/categorias-de-paises/>
- <https://igm.gob.gt/protocolo-de-ingreso-al-pais-covid19/>

SAFETY PROTOCOLS: All participants of the competition must respect safety protocols established by the following institutions:

- World Health Organization
https://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/handle/10665/331764/WHO-2019-nCoV-Mass_Gatherings_Sports-2020.1-eng.pdf
- Ministerio de Salud Pública, Gobierno de Guatemala
<https://www.mspas.gob.gt/covid-19/coronavirus-2019-ncov.html>
- IRF Protocols to restart sports activities.
<https://www.internationalracquetball.com/protocols-to-restart-sport-activities/>

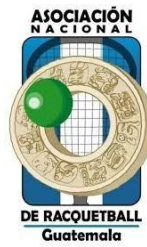
During the championships, following COVID protocols will be mandatory:

Masks must be worn in indoor places for every athlete, official, staff member, and the public. (*masks do not have to be worn when playing*).

Wash your hands frequently and use alcoholic gel/hand sanitizer.

Follow instructions -- Adhere to signs and messages.

Transportation: Use the official transportation that will be exclusive to the championships.



AWARDS

Gold, silver, and bronze medals will be awarded to finalists and semifinalists (two bronze medals) in singles and doubles, girls and boys. Trophies will be awarded to the first four places for country teams in **WORLD CUP & ESPRIT CUP** (Girls, Boys, and Combined).

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

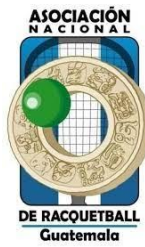
Tuesday	11/30	09:00	Arrival / Training
Wednesday	12/01	09:00	Arrival / Training
Thursday	12/02	09:00	Arrival / Training
		12:00	Coaches Meeting
Friday	12/03	09:00	Round Robin
Saturday	12/04	09:00	Round Robin
Sunday	12/05	09:00	Round Robin
Monday	12/06	09:00	Draws
Tuesday	12/07	09:00	Draws
Wednesday	12/08	09:00	Draws
Thursday	12/09	09:00	Draws
Friday	12/10	09:00	Draws
Saturday	12/11	09:00	Finals and awards
Sunday	12/12		Departures

COACHES AND DELEGATES MEETING

The Coaches & Delegates Meeting will be held on November 28 at 12:00 p.m. at the Biltmore Hotel (15 Calle, Zona 10, Guatemala City).

IRF GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The IRF General Assembly will be held on November 28 at 18:00 p.m. at the Biltmore Hotel (15 Calle, Zona 10, Guatemala City).



HOTEL INFORMATION

IMPORTANT:

Per IRF policy, for reasons of logistics, safety, and security, all members of official delegations from countries outside of Guatemala (delegates, coaches, staff, and players) are required to stay in one of the host hotels. Anyone not staying in the host hotels and/or who fails to follow COVID protocols will not be permitted to participate in the event.



CALLE CAMINO REAL 0-20 ZONA 10
Phone +502 23333000

RATES AND RESERVATIONS

Biltmore Hotel (main host hotel):

- Double room per night USD \$108
- Triple room per night USD \$125

Holiday Inn Hotel:

- Double room per night USD \$126
- Triple room per night USD \$154

Westin Hotel Camino Real

- Double room per night USD \$158
- Triple room per night USD \$190

All rates include taxes, WIFI, and breakfast. The host hotels will offer lunch and dinner service priced between USD \$13 and USD \$16.

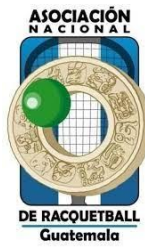
INFORMATION AND LINK TO BOOK

Regina Pelaez

Mobile: +502 55108330

Regina_pelaez@hotelbiltmore.com.gt

Last booking day with these rates: November 5, 2021



IMPORTANT:

- Fully refundable rate before November 12.
- Payment Options - All reservations must be guaranteed with a bank transfer or major credit card.

TRANSPORTATION:

- There will be official and exclusive transportation between the host hotel and the racquetball complex. Safety protocols for COVID-19 will be followed.
- Transportation between Airport and Official Hotel: The National Racquetball Association of Guatemala and the Guatemalan National Olympic Committee will provide the transportation service between the airport and the host hotels for free.

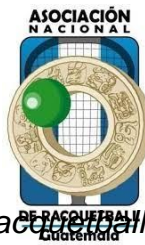
Send an email with the flight information, number of members of your delegation and hotel where they will stay to: racquetguate@gmail.com
cc: maurograndio@internationalracquetball.org

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

REMINDERS - IRF Rule Changes -- Effective September 1, 2016

1. Rule3.16a-- There will be two time outs allowed per game (reduced from three in the first two games and two in the tiebreaker).
2. Rule3.16d-- There will be a two-minute rest period between all games (reduced from five minutes between the second and third games).
3. Rule3.1-- The server has two opportunities to put the ball in to play in all divisions including the Open division (changed from one serve only in the Open division).
4. Rule A.7-- Each player/team will be allowed to make a maximum of three "not accepted" appeals per game (changed from five "not accepted" appeals per 15-point game, and three "not accepted" appeals in the 11-point tiebreaker).

***** Please ensure that everyone in your country is informed of these rule changes, including but not limited to players, coaches, referees, and delegates. *****



To view the complete International Racquetball Federation Rulebook, please visit <http://www.internationalracquetball.com/rules.html>.

UNIFORM POLICY – REMINDER

All players must wear country identification while playing (country name and / or emblem) on the back of their T-shirts, clearly visible from the outside to both the referee and the public. For doubles teams, both participants must wear the same complete uniform (identical tops and bottoms, except for the name or last name of the players, if applicable).

IRF CODE OF CONDUCT

Please review this IRF Code of Conduct that governs any and all IRF/PARC events:

The International Racquetball Federation is committed to providing an environment in which all individuals are treated with respect. Further, the IRF supports equal opportunity and prohibits discriminatory practices. Members of the

IRF and participants in IRF programs and activities are expected to conduct themselves at all times in a manner consistent with the policies of the IRF. All members have a responsibility to maintain and enhance the dignity and self-esteem of members and participants of the IRF by:

- 1) Demonstrating respect to individuals regardless of gender, ethnic or racial origin, sexual orientation, age, marital status, religion, political belief, disability, or economic status.
- 2) Avoiding comments that would publically slander, degrade, or threaten another Individual(s). This includes comments that are available in a public electronic format.
- 3) Consistently demonstrating the spirit of sportsmanship, sports leadership, and ethical conduct and practices.
- 4) Ensuring that the rules of the sport and the spirit of such are adhered to consistently and fairly.

We look forward to seeing you in Guatemala!

ANÍBAL OSVALDO MAGGI LEÓN
PRESIDENT
INTERNATIONAL RACQUETBALL FEDERATION