



Volleyball Canada Internal Nomination Procedures (INP) for Beach Volleyball at the 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan American Games

Preliminary Information

The following is a summary of the PASO Qualification System (QS) (<https://www.panamsports.org/en/documents/>). In the event of a discrepancy between this INP and the QS, the QS will prevail. In the event of changes by PASO to the selection and eligibility criteria, Volleyball Canada is bound by these changes and will inform its membership as soon as possible.

- The Beach Volleyball Competition of the 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan American Games will be held from **August 9-23, 2025**.
- The 8 best National Federations (NF) according to a NORCECA Qualification Tournament will earn one NF berth at the 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan American Games (<https://www.panamsports.org/en/documents/>).
- Under the Canadian Olympic Committee (COC) Team Selection policy, Volleyball Canada can qualify one women's beach team and one men's beach team for the 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan American Games.

Performance Objective

Volleyball Canada's objective for the 2025 Junior Pan American Games includes a Top 5 finish in each gender while providing multi-sport games experience for future Olympic hopefuls.

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Athlete Eligibility

In order to be eligible for nomination to COC for Olympic or Pan-Am Team selection, all athletes must:

1. Be Canadian Citizens (this refers to Rule 42 of the Olympic Charter and the Regulations of the Pan American Games).
2. Have a Canadian Passport valid until **February 23, 2026**.
3. Be born in 2003 or later.
4. Be a member in good standing of Volleyball Canada.
5. Be in compliance with all relevant COC, FIVB and PASO requirements for eligibility.
6. Sign, submit, and comply with the COC Athlete Agreement and Local Organising Committee (LOC) Eligibility form no later than June 26, 2025. Where the athlete is under the age of 19 years, the parent or guardian must also sign these agreements

Team Selection

- Volleyball Canada will nominate one female and one male beach volleyball team.
- Volleyball Canada will assign one male beach volleyball team coach and one female beach volleyball team coach to 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan American Games (Subject to COC Approval). Each of these coaches will have Primary Team Official Accreditations. One of these two coaches will be designated the Team Leader at the 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan American Games. Both coaches must:
 1. Be a registered charter professional coach with the CAC by June 26, 2025
 2. Have a valid passport that does not expire before February 23, 2026
 3. Be in compliance with all relevant COC, IF and Pan Am Sports requirements for eligibility.
 4. Sign, submit and comply with the COC Support Staff Agreement and Local Organizing Committee (LOC) Eligibility form no later than June 26, 2025.
 5. Be 18 years of age or older.
 6. Be a member on good standing of Volleyball Canada.

- **Volleyball Canada's 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan American Games Trials**

Volleyball Canada has earned a men's berth and one women's berth to the 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan American Games through the NORCECA Beach Volleyball Confederation then Volleyball Canada will hold a 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan American Games Trials on May 31-June 1, 2025 to determine which male and female teams will represent Canada at the 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan American Games.

- a. The first place team at the Volleyball Canada 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan American Games Trials will be offered the 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan American Games Berth.
- b. Should the first place team from point a. above decline to participate as a pair in the 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan American Games, the second place team at the Volleyball Canada 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan American Games Trials will be offered the 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan American Games Berth.
- c. Should the second place team from point b. above decline to participate as a pair in the 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan Am Games Berth team, the third place team at the Volleyball Canada 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan American Games Trials will be offered the 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan American Games Berth.

If the top three teams from point a., b. and c. above each decline the selection to participate in the 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan American Games then Volleyball Canada will award the berth based on international potential as determined by Volleyball Canada's Next Gen Head Coaches (Men and women) and Volleyball Canada's Beach High Performance Director.

- Deadline for Volleyball Canada to submit the 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan American Games long list of athletes and support staff to the Canadian Olympic Committee: **Before May 2, 2025.**
- Deadline for Volleyball Canada to nominate the players participating in the 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan American Games and support staff to the Canadian Olympic Committee: **Before July 15, 2025.**

Injury Clause:

- Each athlete from the selected teams (2 females and 2 males) shall designate a replacement partner should their partner suffer an injury that prevents them from taking part in the 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan American Games. The replacement partner has to be on the COC Long List.
- All changes after nomination to the COC are subject to the approval of the COC Team Selection Committee. All changes are also subject to PASO's Late Athlete Replacement Policy.

Appeals

If an athlete wishes to appeal a decision from Volleyball Canada's Internal Nomination Procedures for Beach Volleyball at the 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan American Games, the appeal will be dealt with as outlined in the Volleyball Canada Appeals Policy, found on the Volleyball Canada website at the following link:

<https://www.volleyball.ca/en/about/governance/policies>

If both parties are in agreement, the Volleyball Canada Appeals Policy can be bypassed, and the matter brought directly before the Sport Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada (SDRCC) who will then manage the appeal.

Language

Where there is a discrepancy between the French and the English versions of this document, then the English version shall prevail.

Funding

There will be a registration fee charged for each team competing in the Volleyball Canada's 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan American Games Trials.

The athletes competing in the 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan American Games may have to pay a portion of the costs associated with competing in the Games.

INP Publication

This INP and any amendments will be available on Volleyball Canada's website: <https://volleyball.ca/en/beach-teams>

Timelines Summary

- May 1, 2025:** Registration Deadline Volleyball Canada 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan American Games Trials
- May 31-June 1, 2025:** Competition Dates: Volleyball Canada's 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan American Games Trials
- June 26, 2025:** Deadline to sign COC Athlete Agreement and COC Support Staff Agreement
- July 15, 2025:** Deadline for Volleyball Canada to confirm Athletes by name
- August 9-23, 2025:** 2025 Asuncion Junior Pan American Games