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Tournament Director's Message

I would like to welcome all the participants and clubs to the 5th World Futsal Cup. I want to congratulate you all on being selected to participate and become part of the history of this event. This has only been possible due to your hard work and efforts, whether you are a player, coach, club administrator or supporter.

Each year the tournament receives more interest from clubs wanting to participate and the event continues to grow. Last year we had our first Brazilian club in Corinthians and this year we have three with Santos and Rio Futsal joining them. This will be the first time we have clubs from Japan which highlights how far the awareness of the event is spreading.

As well as the fun you will have during the tournament match play, we recommend you take advantage of meeting and getting to know the other participants away from the court as well as visiting some of the local tourist attractions. If you require any recommendations or assistance in organising this then please come and discuss that with a member of our staff

On behalf of the USA Futsal team we hope you have a wonderful and memorable experience and we will be giving our best to ensure you do.

I wish you all the best of luck!

Doug Reed

Tournament Director

Tournament History

This is the 5th edition of the World Futsal Cup that started back in 2012. Since the inaugural edition it has grown each year and attracted teams from across the globe including some of the most well known clubs on the planet.

It now stands as the premier showcase of youth futsal talent worldwide. This is evident from the fact that renowned futsal coaches, professional players and agents are always in attendance, wanting to get a glimpse of the future stars of the game.

To host such a high level event requires an equally impressive location and arena. Spain is recognised as the leading futsal nation in the world alongside Brazil. It is for that reason the championships have always been selected to take place here. More specifically, Barcelona was selected as it is one of the world's biggest futsal, as well as football, cities. Plus it offers many touristic and cultural attractions and activities.

As a high level championship it requires world class facilities and Blanes is able to provide an arena that boasts 6 full size international futsal courts and is located a short trip from Barcelona. The town is also a popular tourist destination in its own right, being on the beautiful Costa Blanca coast.

The 5th edition is set to be the best yet with teams traveling from Brazil, Costa Rica, Italy, Japan, England and the USA to compete. The championships continue to grow each year, creating history in the world of futsal as well as helping develop its future.

Current Championship Holders

Benjamin: WORLD UNITED

Alevin: FC BARCELONA

Infantil: EL POZO MURCIA

Cadete: FC BARCELONA

Juvenil: FC BARCELONA

2016 Participating Clubs



World Futsal Cup by Numbers

60 Matches Will Be Played 17, 7 & 4 Number of clubs, countries and continents represented 641 Goals scored in 2015 10,500KM Approx. distance traveled by Japanese clubs to attend 1732 seating capacity on Main Court 2012 year of the 1st edition

USA Futsal Code of Conduct

It is of the greatest importance for USA Futsal that our events can be enjoyed by everyone in a fun, welcoming and safe environment. To ensure this we issue a code of conduct that everyone who attends our events agrees to abide by including players, coaches, team officials, supporters, family members, USA Futsal staff and referees.

- To behave and treat others in a respectful and responsible manner.
- To not carry out any actions, whether verbally or physically, that threaten the health or well being
 of other participants.
- A philosophy of aiming to win through giving your best can be promoted but fairplay, development and the promotion of positive values are given precedence.
- Adults will act in a manner that sets a positive role model for the younger participants.
- To abide by the competition rules set out by USA Futsal including ensuring that all players are eligible to participate and meet the age criterion.

This code of conduct applies throughout the event including whilst in sports venues, hotels and on other trips. Anyone or any club found not to be complying with the principles set out here may be subject to disciplinary action by USA Futsal. This can include expulsion from the event with no compensation provided and refusal of entry into future USA Futsal Events.

Tournament Rules

- Games will be played according to the FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game.
- The match durations will be as follows:
 - Benjamin & Alevin age divisions will play 2 x 15 minute halves with a stopped clock and 5 minutes for half time*.
 - Infantil, Cadete and Juvenil age divisions will play 2 x 20 minute halves with a stopped clock and 5 minutes for half time*.
 - *In the case of a 7 goal differential the clock will revert to a running clock.
- Each roster may consist of up to 14 registered players. Due to different age parameters being used internationally, 1 player up to 120 days outside the stipulated age categories will be permitted per team in benjamin and alevin categories only. Note that this is the last year this will be permitted.
- The team listed first on the fixture schedule (home team) will wear their home colors and their opponent will wear their away colors or colors that do not clash with the home team. It

- will be at the discretion of the referees to request teams to wear a different color in case of a clash.
- The tournament structure will be an initial group phase of two groups of three. The winners of each group in the final classification will play the team in 2nd position from the other group in the semi final to decide who will play the final and 3rd place match. The 3rd classified teams in each group will play each other in a two legged playoff to decide 5th/6th position.
- The group table will be decided in the order of points, head to head, goals difference, goals scored, fairplay (number of fouls), coin toss.
- A player receiving a direct red card for violent conduct or other serious offence will receive a minimum automatic 1 match suspension. The tournament committee will have the power to apply sanctions for any other disciplinary issues referred to it by the referees.

- **Ties in knockout stages**. If, at the end of normal time, the scores are tied between two teams in the knockout rounds then the game will be decided by a special form of 1v1 Penalty Shootout as explained below.
- 1v1 Penalty Shootouts If the scores remain tied at the end of extra time then it will go to 1v1 Penalty Shootouts. A 1v1 Penalty Shootout is the same as a 10m Penalty except the attacker has 7 seconds to score (referee will count aloud) after they first touch the ball and may touch an unlimited amount of times before the 7 seconds elapses. (if there is any doubt over whether the ball crossed the line within the time limit then the referee will give the benefit of the doubt in favor of the attacker). A foul by the goalkeeper will result in a goal being awarded. Ball cannot go backwards behind 10m line. It is best of 3 and if still tied goes to sudden death.

Other Activities

Nou Camp Tours

Those with the Camp Nou Tour included in their package will have this arranged on the afternoon of the 27th,

Local Trips/Tours

If you wish to have a trip to one of the many tourist attractions then we are able to provide recommendations and also help with arrangements. Please contact a member of USA Futsal staff.

Coaching Panel

A coaching panel will be held on the evening of 29th (time to be confirmed) led by highly experienced professional coaches that are participating in the tournament. All coaches from competing clubs are invited to attend.

Spanish Premier Division Professional Futsal Match

Currently scheduled for the evening of the 30th near Barcelona is Catgas Energia Coloma against Ribera Navara from the Spanish Premier Division. Groups on the VIP Package will have everything arranged to be able to watch the game. We will do our best to help and arrange for other groups that wish to attend for a fee. *Please note that there is a possibility that the game can be rescheduled for a different date.

Itinerary

(For General Guidance only & subject to change)

Monday 26th December

All International Arrivals

Tuesday 27th December

Trainings (am)/Tours (pm)/Delegates Dinner

Wednesday 28th December

Tournament Day 1

Thursday 29th December

Tournament Day 2/Coaches' Seminar

Friday 30th December

Tournament Final Day &
Trophy Presentation/Transfer
to Barcelona Hotel/Pro Futsal Match

Saturday 31st December

International Departures

Championship Match Schedule

This is in a separate document that has been sent to your club. Please speak to your club's representative.

Tournament Locations

Competition Arena

Ciutat Esportiva Blanes Address: Carrer Mas Cuní, 43, 17300 Blanes.

10 minutes drive from the hotel in Blanes (Free tournament shuttle will be provided). Facility includes 6 full size courts all with ample space for spectators and a café where drinks and snacks can be purchased.

Locker rooms - The coach of each team can pick up a key for a locker room each day from the front desk and must return it before they leave the venue. Replacement charge will be applied for any lost keys

Hotel

Beverly Park 4 Star Hotel & Spa http://www.hotelbeverlypark.com Merce Rodoreda, 7, 17300, Blanes.

Facilities include free wi-fi, outdoor swimming pool, children's playground, gym, tennis/padel courts & spa (charges apply). Free shuttle bus will be provided between the hotel and competition venue.

3mins Walk From Beach 1hr 10mins Drive From Barcelona (El Prat) Airport

Useful Emergency Numbers

All Emergencies: 112 Guardia Civil: 092 972 358 167

Local Police: 092 972 358 666 Ambulance: 972 331 350

Other USA Futsal Championships

As part of our tournament programme we hold another international competition each year in Orlando, Florida at the end of July. We also have other programmes and more information can be found at USAFutsal.com.



World Futsal Championships - Florida, USA.

First held in 2014, The World Futsal Championships take place in August each year at the incredible Disney's ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex in Orlando, Florida. As the largest international youth futsal tournament in the world it attracts lots of attention and has featured on ESPN SportCenter. Futsal superstars Falcao & Ricardinho plus several other professional players attended in 2016. We have also had a player scouted by FC Barcelona at the tournament and he was invited to Spain to have a trial with the club. We have both male and female categories so there is an opportunity for everyone to experience this amazing event in the wonderful setting of Walt Disney World Resort.

Venue Map



