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1. WELCOME

On behalf of the National Government of the Republic of Panama, the Panamanian Sports Institute, and the Panamanian Olympic Committee, we extend a warm welcome to the IV South American Youth Games Panama 2026.

It is an honor for our country to host this sporting event, which celebrates the talent, discipline, and passion of the new generation of athletes in our region. These Games are an opportunity to reaffirm the values that unite us: excellence, friendship, unity, and the Olympic spirit that inspires every participant.

The organizing committee reaffirms its commitment to providing an event that promotes youth sports development, cultural exchange, and integration among the ODESUR member countries. We are working with enthusiasm and dedication to ensure that every detail reflects the pride and hospitality of the Panamanian people.

To all participating delegations, we wish you great success. May this experience in Panama be an opportunity to compete with dedication, learn with humility, and share with joy, in an atmosphere of respect and camaraderie.

Welcome to Panama 2026, where South American youth unite, inspire, and leave their mark in sports history!

Anamae Orillac
General Director
IV South American Youth Games Panama 2026

2. GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT PANAMA

Panama City is the capital of Panama, an amazing country located in Central America, known for its rich cultural diversity, geography, and strategic role in international trade. Panama City is the only capital city in the world that has a protected rainforest within its city limits. It is a city of contrasts, where the modern blends with the traditional, offering a unique experience for visitors and residents alike. It has impressive skyscrapers, reflecting the economic growth and urban development of recent decades

a. Number of inhabitants

Panama City is the largest and most populous city in the country with 1,439,575 inhabitants in 2023, according to the National Institute of Statistics and Census. It is home to a population rich in ethnicities and traditions. It is a place where you can find a large number of immigrants of different nationalities from all over the world.

b. Location

The Republic of Panama is located in the central part of the American continent, bordered by the Caribbean Sea to the north, The Pacific Ocean to the south, Colombia to the east, and Costa Rica to the west.

c. Altitude

The altitude of Panama City rises to an average of 30 meters above sea level, covering an average area of 100 km². Its highest point is Cerro Ancon, where the Panamanian flag flies at the summit, which can be seen from the city

d. Climate

Panama has a tropical climate, characterized by warm and humid temperatures:

No.	CLIMATE	PANAMA RANGE
1	Temperature:	30/25°C
2	Relative Humidity:	82.40%
3	Precipitation:	223 mm
4	Altitude above sea level:	15 m
5	Sunrise:	6:15
6	Sunset:	18:28
7	Solar noon:	11 a.m.

Source: Instituto de Meteorología e Hidrología de Panamá



e. Currency of Panama

The official currency is the Balboa, which has the same value as the US Dollar and, according to Panamanian law, circulates freely and is used without restrictions in commercial and financial transactions.

3. SPORTS ORGANIZATIONS AND LEADERS

a. National Olympic Committees

The fifteen (15) Olympic Committees that are part of ODESUR come from the following countries:

ARGENTINA	ARG		COLOMBIA	COL		PARAGUAY	PAR	
ARUBA	ARU		CURAZAO	CUR		PERU	PER	
BOLIVIA	BOL		ECUADOR	ECU		SURINAM	SUR	
BRASIL	BRA		GUYANA	GUY		URUGUAY	URU	
CHILE	CHI		PANAMA	PAN		VENEZUELA	VEN	

b. Organización Deportiva Suramericana (ODESUR)

Phone number: 595 (21) 649 650 - Email: info@odesur.org

Executive Committee 2022 – 2026

NAME	ROLE	COUNTRY
Camilo Pérez López Moreira	President	Paraguay
Mario Moccia	1st Vice President	Argentina
Paulo Wanderley	2nd Vice president	Brasil
Miguel Angel Mujica	Secretary General	Chile
Marco Arze Mendoza	Treasurer	Bolivia
Damaris Young	Vocal	Panamá
Wanda Broeksema	Vocal	Aruba
Jose Luis Echeverry	Vocal	Colombia
Inés Remersaro	Chair of the Athlete's Commission	Uruguay

Technical Commission



NAME	ROLE	COUNTRY
Mario Moccia	President	Argentina
Jorge Delgado	Member	Ecuador
María Delgado	Member	Venezuela
Juan Carlos Orihuela	Member	Paraguay
Rodrigo Moreno	Member	Chile
Francisco Barreto	Member	Brasil
Victor Groupierre	ACODESU Member	Argentina
Fabio Ramírez García	Technical and Development Director	Colombia

Medical Commission

NAME	ROLE	COUNTRY
Dr. José Veloso	President	Uruguay
Dr. Hugo Rodríguez Papini	Member	Argentina
Juan Diego Parraga	Member	Colombia
Victor Carpio	Member	Perú
Luciano Rezende	Member	Brasil
Gerardo Acosta	Legal Adviser	Paraguay

Follow-up Committee for the IV South American Youth Games 2026

NAME	ROLE	COUNTRY
Marco Arce Mendoza	President	Bolivia
Wanda Broeksema	Member	Aruba
María Soto	Member	Venezuela
Benjamín Hockin	Member	Paraguay
Mario Cilenti	ODESUR Executive Director	Argentina
Fabio Ramírez	ODESUR Technical and Development Director	Colombia

c. INTERINSTITUTIONAL TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

ENTITY	ROLE	NAME
Director of Pandeportes	President	Mr. Miguel Angel Ordoñez
President of Panamenian Olympic Committee	Executive Secretary	Mrs. Damaris Young
Minister of Presidency	Member	Juan Carlos Orillac
Panama City Municipal Government	Member	Mayer Mizrachi
Minister of Culture	Member	Maruja Herrera
Minister de Economy and Finance	Member	Felipe Chapman
Panama Tourism Authority	Member	Gloria María de León
Promptur	Member	Salomón Shamah
Athlete's Representative	Member	Mrs. Daniela Rodríguez

Organizing Committee of the IV South American Youth Games Panamá 2026

General Director

Anamae Orillac

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Technical Director

Emilio Wong

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d. Confederación Suramericana de Surf

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Phone number: +542236030307

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e. Federación Panameña de Surf

President: Bruno Roy Sanchez

Phone Number: +50762029634

E-mail: bruno@surfeapanama.com

f. International Technical Officials

The Confederación Suramericana de Surf will appoint the international technical officials.

International Technical Delegate (ITD): Cristian Peterson

E-mail: cabaniasdelpinar@hotmail.com

Phone Number: +5492262464423

4. IV SOUTH AMERICAN YOUTH GAMES PANAMÁ 2026, IN NUMBERS

- 15 countries
- 22 sports – one guest sport (Chess)
- + 1.500 participating athletes
- 13 days of competition
- 20 sporting venues

5. INFORMATION ABOUT COMPETITION

The surfing competition for the IV South American Youth Games Panama 2026 will be held from **April 13th to the 16th 2026** in **Playa Venao**.

a. Competition format

It will be carried out in accordance with the regulations of the International Surfing Association (ISA) and the Confederación Suramericana de Surf.

6. COMPETITION PROGRAM AND MEDALS

Date	Session	Time	Event	Gender	Stage
13-abr	1	8:00 - 17:00	To be defined	Female and Male	Group Stage
14-abr	1	9:00 - 17:00	To be defined	Female and Male	Group Stage
15-abr	1	10:00 - 18:00	To be defined	Female and Male	Group Stage
16-abr	1	8:00 - 8:30	Final sup race Technical	Female	Finals
		9:00 - 9:30	Final sup race Technical	Male	Finals
		10:30 - 11:00	Semifinal Shortboard	Female	Finals
		11:00 - 11:30	Semifinal Shortboard	Male	Finals
		11:30 - 12:00	Final Bodyboard	Female	Finals
		12:00 - 12:30	Final Bodyboard	Male	Finals
		12:30 - 13:00	Final Sup Surf	Female	Finals
		13:00 - 13:30	Final Sup Surf	Male	Finals
		13:30 - 14:00	Final Shortboard	Female	Finals
		14:00 - 14:30	Final Shortboard	Male	Finals
		15:00 - 15:30	Medal Ceremony	Female and Male	3rd, 2nd and 1st place

CATEGORIES SUMMONED			MEDALS TO BE AWARDED					
CATEGORIES	MALE	FEMALE	MALE			FEMALE		
			GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE
SUP RACE	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
SHORTBOARD	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
BODYBOARD	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
SUP BOARD	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
TOTAL			4	4	4	4	4	4



For a category to be held, a minimum of four (4) athletes from four (4) different NOCs must participate.

The training schedule will be established by the Organizing Committee after receiving all numerical registrations and will be confirmed upon the arrival of the delegations.

The competition schedule for each category will be established according to the logistics defined after the registration period begins.

The development of the competitions for each discipline, in both men's and women's categories, will be governed by the current regulations of the International Surfing Association (ISA), as adopted by the Confederación Suramericana de Surf (CONFESURF).

The International Technical Delegate (ITD) will decide all matters related to the program, rules, and competition system.

In accordance with ODESUR regulations, the prizes will be awarded as follows:

- First place: gold medal.
- Second place: silver medal.
- Third place: bronze medal

All competitors will receive a certificate of participation.

The prizes will be awarded once the competition is over, following the protocol rules of ODESUR, and the official uniform representing their country must be worn.

7. PARTICIPANTS

All athletes from countries whose National Olympic Committees are affiliated with ODESUR and whose National Federations are members of the Confederación Suramericana de Surf (CONFESURF) may participate, provided their affiliation is valid at the time of the competition.

All athletes must meet the eligibility requirements established by the current regulations of ODESUR and the Confederación Suramericana de Surf.



Each country may enter a maximum of ten (10) athletes: five (5) men and five (5) women. In all disciplines, one athlete per country may participate, except in the shortboard discipline, where two (2) athletes per event may compete.

An athlete may participate in multiple events

The number of team officials in a delegation may not exceed 40% of the total number of athletes.

8. ELEGIBILITY

To be eligible and participate in the IV South American Youth Games Panama 2026, the athlete must comply with the regulations of ODESUR and the rules of the Confederación Suramericana de Surf (CONFESURF) and must be registered by their NOC.

a. Competitors' Nationality

Any competitor participating in the IV South American Youth Games Panama 2026 must have the nationality of the country of the NOC that registered them, which will be responsible for that registration. The nationality and eligibility of the competitor is determined in accordance with ODESUR regulations.

b. Age of Competitors

All athletes born after **January 1st 2008** (Under 18) will be allowed to participate in.

9. REGISTRATION

a. Intention to Participate

All National Olympic Committees' must submit their intention to participate by **October 1st 2025**, at 11:59:59 p.m. (Panama Time), using the official forms that the Organizing Committee will send out in due course. They must indicate the sports in which they will participate for the IV South American Youth Games Panama 2026. Forms will be published on the official website.

b. Numerical Registration



Numerical Registration Forms (individual and team) will indicate, without specifying names, the number of officials, technical staff, competitors, and support personnel that will make up the delegation. These forms must be submitted through the respective National Olympic Committee (NOC) and received by the Organizing Committee of the IV South American Youth Games Panama 2026 no later than **November 30th 2025**, at 11:59:59 PM (Panama time).

c. Long List Registration

the long list of athletes, team officials, technical staff, administrative, and auxiliary personnel must be sent to the Organizing Committee of the IV South American Youth Games Panama 2026 no later than **January 20th 2026**, at 23:59:59 (Panama Time). The long list may be submitted by email in order to meet the deadline.

d. Final Nominal Registration

The nominal list for surfing must be submitted no later than **March 12th 2026**, at 23:59:59 (Panama time).

The final list of athletes, team officials, technical staff, administrative and support personnel will be reviewed by the Head of Mission or a representative authorized by the NOC and representative of the Organizing Committee (Registrations – Accreditations – Technical, etc.) during the “Delegation Registration (PRE DRM DRM)” meetings, which will be held virtually on the following dates: February 20th, 2026, and March 20th, 2026, and an in-person DRM starting on April 6th, 2026 which will take place at the organizing Committee’s office.

At the time of Final Registration, no new registrations may be included; registration will be limited to the names listed in the Nominal List – Long List and may not exceed the number of athletes indicated in the Technical Instructions (Technical Manual) for each sport.

The number of team officials in delegations may not exceed 40% of the total number of athletes confirmed in the DRM. Once the DRM is complete, the registration and accreditation process for the delegation will be finished, and it will not be possible to accredit any other participants, except in exceptional circumstances duly authorized by ODESUR.

e. Sending Information

Any information regarding registrations or other matters may be sent to:
Email: direcciontecnicapanama2026@jsjpanama2026.com

10. SURFING RULES

a. General Rules

The Surfing competitions (SUP – WAVES) will be conducted in accordance with the ODESUR Statute, and the current Rules and Regulations of the International Surfing Association.

The Confederación Suramericana de Surf will oversee the championship, with the support of the Asociación Panameña de Surf and the Technical Directorate of the Organization. In the event of a disagreement regarding the interpretation of these rules, the Spanish version shall prevail.

General matters not covered in this Manual will be resolved by the Organization in accordance with ODESUR regulations.

Cases not specifically addressed by these rules will be resolved as follows:

- General matters will be resolved in accordance with the ODESUR Statute and Regulations.
- Technical matters will be resolved in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the ISASURF and the South American Surfing Confederation – CONFESURF

b. COMPETITION STAFF: (JUDGES, JURORS AND TECHNICAL OFFICIALS)

The control and management of the competitions will be under the responsibility of the referees, judges, officials, and other administrative and support personnel designated by CONFESURF, in accordance with the quotas previously agreed upon between the Organization and the International Technical Delegate (ITD).

The Asociación Panameña de Surf will support CONFESURF with qualified national and local judges and technical assistants to ensure the proper execution of the competition program, in accordance with the previously established quotas.



The appointed international and national judges will receive international, national, and local air transportation, accommodation, meals, and payment of fees from the Organization. No referee may perform additional duties or be accommodated with their delegation.

The allocation of quotas for international judges, national judges, and local assistants will be agreed upon between the International Technical Delegate (ITD) and the Organization through the Technical Sports Directorate of the Games, as documented in a prior formal agreement

No referee, judge, and/or commissaire may serve as a delegate for their team or stay with their delegation.

c. PROTESTS AND APPEALS

Protests or claims will be made in accordance with the procedures established in the ISASURF Rules.

CONFESURF will appoint an Honor Tribunal composed of three authorities to resolve any claim from participating countries, disputes, or incidents that may affect the normal development of the competition.

Members of the Appeals Jury whose teams are involved in a claim may not participate and must be replaced by alternate members. The decisions of the Jury shall be final.

All technical protests must be submitted in writing to the referee within a maximum of thirty (30) minutes after the conclusion of the event, accompanied by one hundred US dollars (USD 100). After this period, no claims will be accepted.

The monetary guarantees required will be refunded to the claimant if the protest is upheld. Otherwise, these funds will be transferred to the Organizing Committee of the IV South American Youth Games Panama 2026.

11. EQUIPMENT - UNIFORMS - FACILITIES

The uniforms and sports equipment used by athletes and other participants in the competitions of the IV South American Youth Games Panama 2026 must comply with the regulations of the International Surfing Association and ODESUR



According to ODESUR regulations, no advertising will be permitted on the uniforms of the delegations participating in the IV South American Youth Games Panama 2026.

For the Awards Ceremony, athletes must wear their country's official representative uniforms, in accordance with ODESUR standards.

Facilities:

The competition venue will have all the necessary services and equipment for the proper development of the event and the safety of participants, following the official international competition guidelines and as established by the International Surfing Association and the Pan American Surfing Association.

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12. TECHNICAL MEETING

The Delegates' Technical Meeting will be held on a date to be confirmed at the Games Organizing Committee headquarters.

Up to two (2) representatives from each NOC may attend the Final Registration Verification, one with voting rights, along with an interpreter or assistant, if necessary.

The Final Registration Verification will include confirmation of the final participant registrations by category, confirmation of totals, the draw to determine the order of competing countries, as well as the verification of passports and competition uniforms in accordance with ISASURF - CONFESURF and ODESUR regulations.

13. MEDICAL INFORMATION

a. Doping Control

Doping control tests Will be carried out by the Medical Commission of the Organizing Committee of the IV South American Youth Games Panama 2026 under the regulations of the ODESUR Medical Commission and in accordance with its Anti-Doping Rules approved by World Anti-doping Agency (WADA).

ODESUR reaffirms its policy of rejecting, sanctioning, and discouraging the use of doping substances and prohibited methods to ensure the healthiest, safest, fairest, and most ethical environment in sports competitions during the IV



South American Youth Games Panama 2026.

The selection of athletes for sample collection in accordance with the ODESUR Anti-Doping Rule Violation and may be immediately removed from the IV South American Youth Games Panama 2026 and have their credential withdrawn.

b. Medical services at competition and training sites

A medical station will be available to provide first aid to athletes and officials at each competition and training site, equipped with all necessary safety equipment for Sporting activities. Ambulances will always be available in cases where a member of the IV South American Youth Games Panama 2026 needs to be transferred to a hospital.

14. POST- COMPETITION PROCEDURES

a. Mixed Zone

At the end of each event, athletes will be instructed to leave the Competition Area by passing through the Mixed Zone, which is an area where accredited media may conduct brief interviews after the competition.

Athletes must pass through the Mixed Zone where they will be asked to cooperate and talk with media representatives.

15. SPORTS SCHEDULE APPENDIX

Schedule

EVENT	ABRIL															
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
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