1. **COMPETITION DATE AND VENUE**

The 2019 Palarong Pambansa Sepaktakraw competition will be held on April 27 – May 4, 2019 at the Davao City National High School covered court, Davao City.

2. **COMPETITION MANAGEMENT**

The Department of Education 2019 Palarong Pambansa Technical Committee shall be the lead implementing organization where it will finalize and approved the recommended Technical Officials by the Regional Offices and the designated Tournament manager.

The Sepaktakraw Technical Officials shall compose of 56 members as follows: One (1) Tournament Manager, one (1) Technical Consultant, three (3) Assistant Managers, six (6) Court Referees, one (1) Tournament Secretary, two (2) NSA Referees, Forty-One (41) Referees recommended by both the Regional Sports Officer and the Tournament Manager and One (1) Tournament Encoder recommended by the host Region/Division.

3. **RULES OF THE TOURNAMENT**

3.1. The Tournament shall be run in accordance with the rules of the International Sepak Takraw Federation (ISTAF) currently enforced. (2016 Law of Sepaktakraw).

3.2. Any unforeseen incidents not covered by the rules shall be dealt with as follows:

3.2.1 Case of general nature shall be resolved in accordance with the Palarong Pambansa Games rules.

3.2.2. Technical questions shall be referred to and resolved by the Technical Committee.

3.2.3. In case of problems not covered by the existing ISTAF rules, the final decision shall rest with the Tournament Manager.

4. **NUMBER OF EVENTS AND NUMBER OF PLAYERS**

There shall be Six (6) events to be contested, namely:

- Elementary Boys Regu (EBR) 4 players
- Elementary Boys Doubles (EBD) 3 players
- Secondary Girls Regu (SGR) 5 players
- Secondary Girls Doubles (SGD) 3 players
- Secondary Boys Team (SBT) 12 players
- Secondary Boys Regu (SBR) 5 players
5. **MODE OF COMPETITION**

5.1 **Secondary Boys Team (SBT), Secondary Girls Regu (SGR) and Elementary Boys Regu (EBR).**

5.1.1. The Tournament shall be played in Single Round Robin System grouped into four, A, B, C, and D for the elimination following the format below, using the 2018 Palarong Pambansa Sepaktakraw High School Boys, Girls Regu and Elementary Regu ranking.

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5.1.2. The Top two (2) teams in each group will advance to the crossover quarterfinals using the knock out system following the format below, the loser in the quarterfinal matches shall be ranked 5th to 8th place based on the number of regu, sets and points earned during their elimination and quarter-final matches.

- Winner Group A vs. Runner-Up Group D
- Winner Group D vs. Runner-Up Group A
- Winner Group B vs. Runner-Up Group C
- Winner Group C vs. Runner-Up Group B

5.1.3 For Semi-Final Round:

- Winner QFG2 vs Winner QFG3
- Winner QFG1 vs Winner QFG4

5.1.4 For Finals:

- Loser SFG1 vs Loser SFG2 For 3rd and 4th Place
- Winner SFG1 vs Winner SFG2 Championship Game

5.1.5. Teams who were eliminated will be ranked 9th to 17th place based on the number of regus, sets and points earned during the elimination round.

5.1.6. Two (2) points shall be awarded for the win and zero (0) for a loss. If two (2) or more teams obtain equal number of points after the elimination, the following rules shall be applied:

5.1.7. In case of tie, win over the other shall be applied, where in the winner between the two (2) teams during their elimination game shall be declared winner.

5.1.8. In case of triple tie, the set difference between the total score “for” and “against” shall be decisive. This shall be obtained by deducting the points “against” from the points “for”.

5.1.9. The score difference of the matches played by each of the teams shall be decisive.

5.1.10. If these alternative are all found to be the same, then a decision taken by the toss of the coin shall be decisive.
5.2. Secondary Boys Regu, Secondary Girls Double and Elementary Boys Double

5.2.1. The Secondary Boys Regu, Secondary Girls Double and Elementary Boys Double shall be played in a single elimination system after the conclusion of the Secondary Boys Team, Secondary Girls Regu and the Elementary Boys Regu competition.

5.2.2. Seeding of teams shall be based on the 2018 Palarong Pambansa ranking.

6. ENTRIES

Entries of each region must be submitted according to the regulations imposed by the Organizing Committee of the 2019 Palarong Pambansa rules. Rule of succession will be applied. Fifteen (15) minutes grace period will be given to the team after the conclusion of the last match following their game schedule. Non-appearance of the team after the grace period given will mean forfeiture of the game in favor of the opposing team.

7. PLAYERS ON THE TEAM BENCH

Only the members of the team including the Coach and the Team Manager who are listed on the team gallery are allowed to set on the bench during the whole duration of the game. In case of the Secondary Girls the Chaperon will be allowed on the bench.

8. PLAYING UNIFORMS

8.1. Participating teams should wear the color of their respective regions assigned to them during their schedule games.
8.2. Players not wearing their proper uniform during which their team or regu is scheduled to play will not be allowed to play.
8.3. Players must wear their jersey uniform with permanent number at the back of their shirt, numbering 1 to 12.
8.4. All teams are required to bring their own arm band and the Team Captain shall wear it during the competition.

9. REPORTING TIME OF TEAMS AND TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

All Technical Officials should report to the playing venue one hour and thirty minutes before the start of the match. All Teams should report their presence to the Technical committee one hour before their match.

10. AWARDING

Awarding shall be done immediately after the conclusion of the final match of the Secondary Boys Regu competition. All winning teams shall wear the official uniform during the awarding ceremony.

11. GENERAL

In the event of any question or any matter arising out of any point, which is not expressly provided for in any rules of the game, the decision of the Official Referee shall be final.