# A Habawaba Spain 2024

2nd - 4th JANUARY 2024

U14 INFANTIL LA PISCINA DE LLORET, LLORET DE MAR































## **WELCOME**



#### HABAWABA PLUS IS BACK IN LLORET DE MAR

Dear participants,

Welcome to the 2nd edition of HaBaWaBa Spain Plus! The HaBaWaBa "for grown-ups" is back with an international presence and increased participation.

The second edition of the event will once again take place at La Piscina de Lloret pool, an Olympic-sized facility located in an unbeatable setting. Participants will be accommodated at the Evenia Hotel (\*\*\*\*), just a three-minute walk from the pool. We can't think of a better way to kick off 2024!

We are thrilled to welcome 18 teams from four Spanish autonomous communities (Catalonia, Andalusia, Ceuta, and Valencia) and 5 countries: Spain, the United Kingdom, Andorra, France, and Portugal. In total, over 270 participants, including players and staff!

We have three intense days of water polo planned, featuring a total of 72 matches. Outside the water, participants will have a blast at the hotel with entertaining activities and a Kahoot quiz where they will compete in teams.

As you already know, the philosophy of HaBaWaBa (Happy Baby Water Ball) aims to promote water polo and the values of sports among the youngest. It is crucial that everyone contributes to an ideal environment of fair play: players, coaches, volunteers, referees, family members, organizers, and fans.

On Thursday, in addition to all the finals, we will have the presence of two promising young talents in our water polo community. Marc Valls, a player from CN Barcelona, and Jan Pérez, from CN Sabadell, will accompany us during an exciting final day.

We hope you thoroughly enjoy HaBaWaBa, and best of luck to everyone!



SAÜL SANZ Tournament Director at BIWPA

## **PHILOSOPHY**



#### WHAT IS HABAWABA?

HaBaWaBa is an English acronym that stands for "Happy Baby Water Ball," symbolizing the joy of a child practicing "the sport with a ball in the water." HaBaWaBa was created by the non-profit association Waterpolo Development, with the goal of promoting the sport and the values of collaboration that go with it. The most effective way of achieving these goals is by bringing the sport to children between the age of 6 and 12, the new generation. With this in mind, the idea of the 'HaBaWaBa International Festival' was conceived and further developed.

Since its creation, the HaBaWaBa International Festival has welcomed participating teams from four continents: Europe, Asia, Africa and America.

The HaBaWaBa format, was designed to accommodate, share and spread the desire to play water polo all over the world. The HaBaWaBa International Circuit has taken the Festival to Canada, Greece, Spain, Brazil, Singapore, Egypt, and Belarus.

The first edition of HaBaWaBa Spain took place in 2018 during the 33rd LEN European Water Polo Championships at the Montjuïc Municipal Pool in Barcelona. Since then, the event has continuously expanded and established itself in Tarragona and PortAventura World.

Following its inaugural edition in 2023, HaBaWaBa Spain Plus is now in its second edition with more teams and countries, maintaining its venue in Lloret de Mar.



#### **VALUES**

HaBaWaBa Spain has been created with 4 main ideals:

- 1. Enjoying a team sport and having a good time in and out of the water.
- 2. Promoting fair play, inclusion, respect and interaction between boys and girls of different cultures and background.
- 3. Creating an environment where the promotion of water polo brings together children, coaches, referees, family members and fans.
- 4. Spreading the passion for water polo in five continents as well as the strong values of the sport.

## **FAIR PLAY**

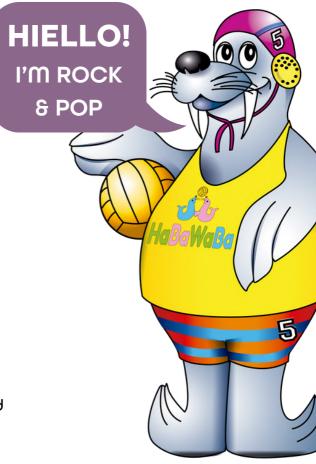


#### FAIR PLAY & FUN

The HaBaWaBa is an event for children based on the values of mutual respect, social integration and fair play. Each person involved in the competition (children, coaches, parents, fans, etc.) must take these values into account. The organizing body of HaBaWaBa Spain will present an award called "HaBaWaBa Fair Play Trophy" to reward fair play in both the youngest and juvenile categories. This trophy is intended to prevent bad behaviour and emphasise/promote a positive attitude. In each match, the referees will score the teams based on different criteria and assign an overall score from -4 to +4:

- 1. Sport for fun
- 2. Respect for the regulations
- 3. Respect for the opponents
- 4. Respect towards the referee 9. Help others
- 5. No to violence

- 6. Sports loyalty
- 7. Learn from defeat
- 8. Sports brotherhood
- 10. Set an example



CODE OF ETHICS: To contribute to the values and ethics of HaBaWaBa, the organization has drawn up a Code of Ethics for the Festival, also called the "Champions Passport".





# **NUMBERS**



#### COUNTRIES

The HaBaWaBa Spain Plus 2023 Festival brings together 18 youth teams from 5 different countries:











Spain (x12)

United Kingdom (x3) Andorra (x1)

France (x1)

Portugal (x1)

#### **NUMBERS**







**Matches** 72

**Teams** 18

**Participants** 270



## **CLUBS**





CDW Málaga Andalucía, ES 3 teams



Cn Sant Feliu Catalunya, ES 2 teams



Cn Caballa Ceuta, ES 2 teams



**CN Terrassa** Catalunya, ES



CN Rubí Catalunya, ES 2 teams



Talent Centre England, UK 3 teams



CA Catalunya Catalunya, ES



Sporting CP Lisboa, PT



Acuático Morvedre Valencia, ES



Team Edelweiss
France



BIWPA Team FR, ES, AD

## INFORMATION



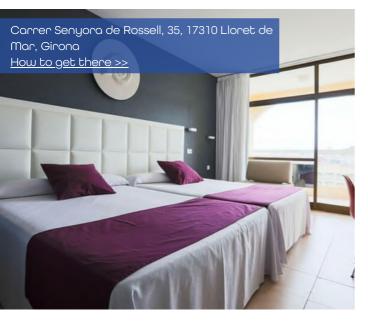
#### LA PISCINA DE LLORET

The Olympic pool in Lloret was inaugurated in 2014 and is part of a complex with multiple sports facilities.

It measures 50 by 25 meters and will be divided into two playing fields during the event.

The 4 teams awaiting their turn to play will have a lane for warming up.





#### HOTEL EVENIA

The teams will be accommodated in double or triple rooms between the Evenia Olympic Garden and the Suites hotels, both connected and located a 3-minute walk from the pool, with three meals included in a buffet format (from Tuesday lunch to Thursday breakfast).

#### Meal schedules:

- Breakfast from 7.30h to 10h
- Lunch from 12.45h to 15.15h
- Dinner from 20h to 22.30h

#### HOTEL RECREATIONAL AREAS

Participants will have access to the common areas of the hotel, which are shared with the other hotels in the Evenia Olympic Resort complex, covering an area of over 30,000 m2. These spaces include gardens, a multi-sport court, a game room, among other areas.



## INFORMATION



#### MARC VALLS Y JAN PÉREZ

#### Thursday 11h

On the last day of the competition, Thursday, the 4th, in addition to playing all the finals to determine positions from 1st to 18th, we will have a very special visit.

Two of the great young national talents, Marc Valls and Jan Pérez, will participate in an All-Star game featuring a representative player from each team. Get ready to learn from two of our most promising talents!



#### **KAHOOT QUIZ**

After last year's great success, we will repeat a Kahoot in which teams will compete against each other and must demonstrate their knowledge of water polo and general culture.

Teams will have to answer a questionnaire that will test both their accuracy and speed in responses.

#### HABATALENT

And just like in every HaBaWaBa event... We will once again have HaBaTalent! The nighttime contest will take place on one of the two nights and will allow participants to showcase their talents outside of the water.

Dance, singing, humor, magic... All talents are welcome!



## CHANNELS



#### **KEEP UP TO DATE**

#### **WHATSAPP GROUP**

The WhatsApp group will be used for more direct and immediate communication. Information regarding logistical issues, the competition, and any last-minute changes or modifications will be provided. It is important that all teams are represented in the group and remain attentive throughout the entire festival.



#### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

Haven't followed us on social media yet? Participate and tag us during the event. The best images and videos from HaBaWaBa Spain will be featured on our social media. Click on the logos to follow us:











#HaBaWaBaSpainPlus2024

#### LIVE SCORING PLATFORM

Competition and statistics can be followed live through the Total Waterpolo portal. Results and minute-by-minute updates for each match will be continuously refreshed in real-time.

Visit the site here >>



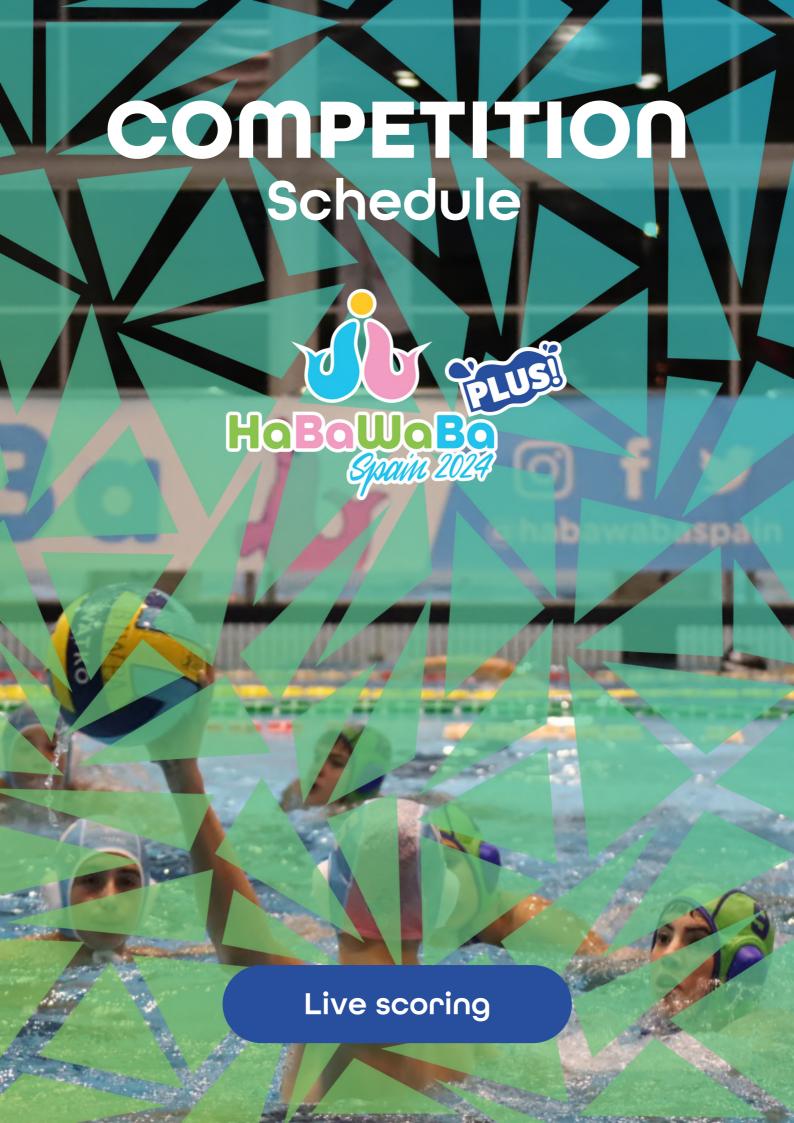
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RULES



#### **RULE ADAPTATIONS - U14 AGE GROUP**

HaBaWaBa rules are based on the simplification and adaptation of the WORLD AQUATICS official Water Polo rules (2022 - 2024), tailored to meet the needs of the benjamín (U10), alevín (U12) and infantil (U14) age groups.

#### DURATION AND SCORING

- Each match will have a duration of 2 periods of 13 minutes each, with a 2-minute interval between halves.
- The clock operates continuously and only stops if the referee deems it necessary to prevent time losses or in case of interruptions due to injury or unexpected situations.
- The last 2 minutes of the match will be played with the clock stopped in the event of a twogoal difference or less in the score.
- The score will be closed when a 10-goal difference is reached. The remaining game situations (exclusion fouls, disciplinary actions, etc.) will continue to have effect.
- All matches, except for the finals, may end in a draw. If the match requires a winner, there will be a 3-penalty shootout.
- Teams are not allowed to call a timeout under any circumstances.

#### **GAME ASPECTS**

- Zone defense is not allowed at any time during the game. Teams must defend individually
  (1x1) starting from their defensive half, and only active help on circulation (movement) and
  2x1 situations are allowed if the player in possession of the ball is not allowed to shoot. The
  referee will notify both coaches in the event of a zone defense situation, and if the situation
  persists, then penalize the player committing the infraction with an exclusion foul.
- Any player can act as a goalkeeper (and vice versa). Changes of cap must be approved by the referee before being carried out.
- All players listed on the roster must participate in the match. Coaches will be responsible for ensuring compliance with this rule, as there will be no specific control by the referees.
- Substitutions are allowed at any time using the exclusion area (no flying substitutions).

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- In the group stage, 3 points will be awarded for a win, 1 for a draw, and 0 for a defeat.
- All teams will compete wearing the official organization caps, which they must return at the end of each match.
- After the completion of each match, referees will score teams based on their behavior and fair play, awarding a minimum of -4 and a maximum of 4 points. At the prize ceremony, the best team will be awarded the Fair Play Trophy.
- Any disciplinary exclusion will be reviewed by the organization to assess if it warrants any form of ban.



# **GROUPS AND STAGES**



#### COMPETITION FORMAT

#### FIRST PHASE / GROUP STAGE

The 18 teams will play the first phase divided into three groups of 6 teams. A total of 5 matchdays will be contested in each group. In this initial phase, each team will play 5 matches.

GROUP A	GROUP B	GROUP C
CN Sant Feliu Masc	CN Caballa A	CDW Málaga A
CN Catalunya	CN Rubí A	CN Terrassa
CDW Málaga B	Team Edelweiss	CN Sant Feliu Fem
Sporting Clube de Portugal	CDW Málaga Fem	CN Rubí B
CN Caballa B	BIWPA	Acuático Morvedre
English Lions	English Eagles	English Roses

#### SECOND PHASE / GOLD, SILVER, AND BRONZE DIVISIONS

At the end of the initial phase, the teams will be distributed into three divisions based on their rankings.

- Positions 1 2: Gold Division.
- Positions 3 4: Silver Division.
- Positions 5 6: Bronze Division.

There will be two groups of three teams on each division. The following allocations were made through a lottery live during the remote technical meeting:

GOLD A	GOLD B	SILVER A	SILVER B	BRONZE A	BRO∩ZE B
1º GROUP A	1º GROUP B	3º GROUP A	3º GROUP B	5º GROUP A	5º GROUP B
2º GROUP B	1º GROUP C	4º GROUP B	3º GROUP C	6º GROUP B	5º GROUP C
2º GROUP C	2º GROUP A	4º GROUP C	4º GROUP A	6º GROUP C	6º GROUP A

On this second phase, every team will play two more matches.

#### FINALS / PLACES 1 TO 18

Each team will play one additional match on the last day (Thursday, 4th) that will determine their final position. First, second, and third-placed teams from each group will cross over: 1st GOLD A vs. 1st GOLD B, 2nd GOLD A vs. 2nd GOLD B, and so on.

# TUESDAY 2nd



	FIELD 1	FIELD 2	
14.30	CN Sant Feliu Masc CN Catalunya	CDW Málaga B Sporting CP	
15.05	CN Caballa B English Lions	CN Caballa A CN Rubí A	
15.40	Team Edelweiss CDW Málaga Fem	BIWPA English Eagles	
16.15	CDW Málaga A CN Terrassa	CN Sant Feliu Fem CN Rubí B	
16.50	Acuático Morvedre English Roses	CN Sant Feliu Masc CDW Málaga B	
17.25	CN Catalunya CN Caballa B	Sporting CP English Lions	
18.00	CN Caballa A Team Edelweiss	CN Rubí A BIWPA	
18.35	CDW Málaga Fem English Eagles	CDW Málaga A CN Sant Feliu Fem	
19.10	CN Terrassa Acuático Morvedre	CN Rubí B English Roses	
19.45	CN Sant Feliu Masc English Lions	CN Catalunya CDW Málaga B	
20.20	Sporting CP CN Caballa B	CN Caballa A English Eagles	
20.55	CN Rubí A Team Edelweiss	2 - 3 - 11 - 3 - 11	
21.30	DINNER 20 - 22.30h		
22.30	🏰 НАВАТАLENT		



# WEDNESDAY 3rd



	FIELD 1	FIELD 2		
9.00	CDW Málaga A English Roses	CN Terrassa CN Sant Feliu Fem		
9.35	CN Rubí B Acuático Morvedre	CN Sant Feliu Masc Sporting CP		
10.10	CN Catalunya English Lions	CDW Málaga B CN Caballa B		
10.45	CN Caballa A CDW Málaga Fem	CN Rubí A English Eagles		
11.20	Team Edelweiss BIWPA	CDW Málaga A CN Rubí B		
11.55	CN Tennassa English Roses	CN Sant Feliu Fem Acuático Morvedre		
12.30	CN Sant Feliu Masc CN Caballa B	CN Catalunya Sporting CP		
13.05	CDW Málaga B English Lions	CN Caballa A BIWPA		
13.40	CN Rubí A CDW Málaga Fem	Team Edelweiss English Eagles		
14.15	CDW Málaga A Acuático Morvedre	CN Terrassa CN Rubí B		
14.50	CN Sant Feliu Fem English Roses			
15.25	LUNCH 12.45 - 15.15h			
16.00	6º GROUP B 6º GROUP C	5º GROUP B 6º GROUP A		
16.35	4º GROUP B 4º GROUP C	3º GROUP B 4º GROUP A		
17.10	2º GROUP B 2º GROUP C	1º GROUP B 2º GROUP A		
17.45	5º GROUP A 6º GROUP B	5º GROUP C 6º GROUP A		
18.20	3º GROUP A 4º GROUP B	3º GROUP C 4º GROUP A		
18.55	1º GROUP A 2º GROUP B	1º GROUP C 2º GROUP A		
19.30	5º GROUP A 6º GROUP C	5º GROUP B 5º GROUP C		
20.05	3º GROUP A 4º GROUP C	3º GROUP B 3º GROUP C		
20.40	1º GROUP A 2º GROUP C			
21.15	DINNER 20 - 22.30h			
22.30	🏰 НАВАТАLЕПТ			

Gold Division
Silver Division

Bronze Division

# THURSDAY 4th



	FIELD 1		FIELD 2	
9.00	F17-18	3º BRONZE A 3º BRONZE B		
9.35	F15-16	2º BRONZE A 2º BRONZE B	F13-14	1º BRO∩ZE A 1º BRO∩ZE B
10.10	F11-12	3º SILVER A 3º SILVER B	F9-10	2º SILVER A 2º SILVER B
10.45	F7-8	1º SILVER A 1º SILVER B	F5-6	3º GOLD A 3º GOLD B
11.20	ALL-STAR MATCH			
12.30	F3-4	2º GOLD A 2º GOLD B		
13.05	F1-2	1º GOLD A 1º GOLD B		
13.40	CLOSING CEREMONY			

The award ceremony will take place at the pool after the final match. All teams will come out to the podium to receive their medals. It is mandatory to wear the HaBaWaBa T-shirt throughout



