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TO: ALL FINA MEMBER FEDERATIONS

FROM: FINA Office, Lausanne (SUI)

DATE: December 5, 2017

RE: FINA WATER POLO REFEREES LIST 2018

Dear Sirs,

We have the pleasure to forward you this correspondence concerning the ***FINA WATER POLO REFEREES LIST 2018***.

Please be advised that each National Federation is entitled to nominate up to three (3) referees to the FINA Water Polo Referees List. In addition a Member Federation is able to nominate one (1) additional referee for each FINA Water Polo Competition it has participated in during the previous two (2) years up to a maximum of four (4) additional referees:

- Countries entitled to nominate four (4) Referees are:
ARG, AUT, COL, KSA, MEX, MLT, PER, PUR, SGP, TUN, TUR, URU
- Countries entitled to nominate five (5) Referees are:
EGY, GEO, IRI
- Countries entitled to nominate six (6) Referees are:
SVK, ROU
- Countries entitled to nominate seven (7) Referees are:
AUS, BRA, CAN, CHN, CRO, ESP, FRA, GER, GRE, HUN, ITA, JPN, KAZ, MNE, NED, NZL, RSA, RUS, SRB, USA

Referees must be on the FINA Water Polo Referees List in order to be selected to officiate at the Olympic Games and Qualification Tournaments, World Championships (Senior and Junior), Water Polo World Cups, FINA Water Polo World Leagues and other designated FINA Competitions.

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NEW: BL 6: For Water Polo, the age limit shall be sixty (60) years during the year of competition. Therefore referees must be born 1958 or later.

The referee must be of the same nationality as the FINA Member Federation he/she is representing.

As an exception for 2018 only: Due to the raise of age to 60 years and number of suspended schools in 2017, all certifications expiring at the end of 2017 will be extended until the end of 2018.

Referees without a valid certification can be added to the list, but will have to attend a FINA School for Water Polo Referees in 2018. A referee without a valid certification will be marked with an asterisk (*) on the list on the FINA Website.

Please note that the FINA Water Polo Referees List 2018 will be effective for the competitions to be held in the year 2018.

All referees on the list have to be entered by the National Federation in the FINA GMS (<https://data.fina.org>) with the following information:

Passport, passport photo, passport information, personal e-mail address of the referee

Without this information in the GMS, the application is not valid and the referee/s will not appear on the list.

For any help with the FINA GMS System, please contact as early as possible: aquaticsdb@fina.org

Application Forms for the FINA Water Polo Referees List 2018 must be submitted as soon as possible, but no later than **December 14, 2017**.

We look forward to hearing from you and remain at your disposal for any assistance you may need relating to this matter.

Yours Sincerely,



Cornel Marculescu
Executive Director

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Cc: FINA TWPC Commission