

2024 Pan-American Youth
Technical Meeting – Outline

1. Welcome!
2. Senior Staff
 - a. Chief Organizer: IA Boyd Reed, USA
 - i. Deputy Organizers: IA Brian Yang, USA; Pete Karagianis, USA
 - b. Chief Arbiter: IA Boyd Reed, USA
 - i. Deputy chief: IA David Hater, USA
 1. Open Sections Chief: IA Jon Haskel, USA
 2. Girls Sections Chief: IA Sabrina de San Vicente, USA
 - ii. Chief Pairing Arbiter: IA Charles Hatherill, USA
 - iii. Chess Control Manager: Kim Cramer, USA
3. Default time: 30 minutes after the start of each round
4. Electronic Devices:
 - a. Players are not allowed to have any transmitting electronics
 - b. **Best practice: keep electronics out**
 - c. If a player has an electronic device, it must be laid on the table next to them, face up, and powered completely off (not “vibrate”, not “airplane mode”)
 - d. If a device emits light or sound during the game, the game will be declared lost by the owner of the device.
5. Notation
 - a. We provide notation sheets and pens
 - b. Tournament notation sheets must be used, move after move
 - c. U08/U10, Open and Girls: players are not required to turn in notation – but they **are** required to **take** notation. They will use result slips to report their games.
 - d. All other sections: both players must circle the result on their scoresheets, sign each other’s scoresheet, and turn in the ORIGINAL (top) copy to the arbiter.
6. Appeals: All appeals must be filed no later than one hour after the end of the game where the irregularity occurred. The appeal must be made in writing to Chess Control (Sebastian Registration Desk), and there is a good-faith deposit of \$200. The deposit will be refunded if the appeal is found to have merit, even if it is denied.
7. The playing hall is defined as everything after the ropes outside Sebastian KL. Only people whose badges permit access to the playing hall will be allowed in after the round starts.

8. Heads of Delegation will be permitted to enter the playing hall twice a round: once at the start of the round for 15 minutes, and once two hours into the round for 15 minutes. They must not bring any electronic devices into the playing hall, ever.
9. Accompanying persons will be permitted in the playing hall up to 5 minutes before the published start of the round. Once the announcement is made to clear the room, all accompanying persons must leave promptly and not return until just before the next round starts.
10. Arbiters ARE allowed to have cell phones, but those will only be used for tournament business.
11. Pairings will generally be published no later than two hours after a round ends, unless there is a lengthy appeal or other technical issue.
12. There will be event T-shirts sold in Sebastian J (practice room) starting 7/18.

If any issues with your delegation's registration, please contact Chess Control, or email PanAmYouth2024@uschess.org.

Thank you for coming, and enjoy your time in Orlando!