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A Panoramic View of Mayagüez

Population	100,000 inhabitants
Country	Puerto Rico
Area	201.1 km ²
Longitude	18° N
Latitude	67° O
Local Time	GMT -4 hours
Average Temperature June- September	82° F / 28° C
Average Humidity June-September	80%

The XXI Central American and Caribbean Sports Games will be held mainly in the city of Mayagüez and in other cities of the *Porta del Sol* region that includes 17 municipalities in the west. The city of Mayagüez is located in the center of the west coast of the island of Puerto Rico. It covers 201.1 km² of land. It is contiguous to the municipalities of Hormigueros, San Germán, and Cabo Rojo on the south, Añasco on the north, Las Marías, and Maricao on the east and the Mona Canal on the west. Mayagüez is divided in 25 wards with a population of approximately 100,000 inhabitants according to the 2000 census. Fortunately, it has a tropical climate and an average temperature of 82° F/28° C year round.



The town was founded by don Faustino Martínez de Matos y Vélez Borrero. The land was donated by don Juan de Aponte, don Juan de Silva, and don Esteban Irizarry, among others. The town was called Mayagüez in honor of the Yagüez River; body of water of great importance, since it crosses a considerable part of the city. This word

(Mayagüez) is of indigenous origin and means Great Water Site. By then, Mayagüez was synonym of the Yagüez River and Chief Urayoán.

La Cuna de Hostos, name by which it is also known, in honor of the national hero Eugenio María de Hostos, holds another center of great importance; the Mayagüez Campus of the University of Puerto Rico. "El Colegio", like it has been known for decades, has served as an encounter place between Puerto Ricans and foreigners worldwide. This prestigious institution at a national and international level has been a great legacy to this city and Puerto Rico; this, thanks to its valuable contributions.



Today, Mayagüez is one of the cities of *Porta del Sol, Puerto Rico*. This ambitious project intends that its inhabitants as well as their visitors and tourists appreciate the natural resources, gastronomy, art and all the culture of this region. Thus, Mayagüez offers their citizenship great possibilities, taking advantage of the great potential that its people can offer. This city is a unique destination in the area with its accommodations, businesses, artisans, and artists that with their performance help with the progress of the economy of the west region of Puerto Rico.

The city of Mayagüez is ready to continue with the entrusted work, facing with great optimism the arrival of the XXI Central American and the Caribbean Sports Games that will be held in 2010.



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1. SITE AND DATE

The Table Tennis competitions of the XXI Central American and Caribbean Sports Games will be held at the Gimnasio Luis F. Sambolín of the Inter American University in San Germán from July 25-30, 2010.

2. PARTICIPANTS

2.1. Athletes from countries affiliated to CACSO and the International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF), may be eligible to participate. All participants must have paid their annual fees with the ITTF and the Latin American Table Tennis Union (ULTM).

2.2. Each participating country may enter a maximum of twelve (12) people, four (4) men and four (4) women, two (2) coaches, one (1) delegate, and one (1) referee with an ITTF credential.

3. ENTRIES

The Organizing Committee will send the official registration forms six (6) months prior to the opening of the Games.

All qualified countries must submit their registrations in the official form that will be posted in the official website of the XXI Central American and Caribbean Sports Games: www.mayaguez2010.com

These forms must be printed, have all the respective signatures, and submitted to the Organizing Committee on or before the deadlines stipulated.

3.1. Long list entry

The long list entry must contain the names and functions of all potential participants in the Games. This list must be received at the Mayagüez 2010 Headquarters by midnight of February 17, 2010. The entries can be sent via fax or email to meet the deadline, in which case they must be confirmed in writing before February 24, 2010.

3.2. Numerical Entries



The numerical entries must be submitted by the respective NOC and must be received at the Mayagüez 2010 Headquarters by midnight of April 17, 2010. It must indicate the number of athletes in each team. The entries can be sent via fax or email to meet the deadline, in which case they must be confirmed in writing before April 24, 2010.

3.2.1. Insufficient Participants

In the event that the sport and/or any of its disciplines cannot be executed due to a lack of entries, the Organizing Committee must communicate this immediately, via fax or email, to the National Olympic Committees that has made the corresponding numerical entries.

3.3. Nominal Entries

All nominal entries must be at Mayagüez 2010 Headquarters by midnight on June 17, 2010. No changes or additions to entries will be accepted after this date. The nominal registrations can be sent via fax or email to meet the deadline, in which case they will have to be confirmed in writing, on the official forms, at the time of arrival of the delegation in Mayagüez.

Nominal entries should not contain more participants or officials than the numerical entries.

3.4. Address

Any information regarding the entries or another nature, can be sent to the following address:

XXI JUEGOS DEPORTIVOS CENTROAMERICANOS Y DEL CARIBE 2010

P.O. Box 3248

Mayagüez, Puerto Rico 00681-3248

PHONE: (787) 832-2010 FAX: (787) 805-2011

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4. REGULATIONS

The Table Tennis competitions for men and women will be carried out according to the Regulations established by the ITTF and the ULTM.

Unforeseen cases not covered by these regulations will be solved as follows:

4.1. General matters will be solved by the Organizing Committee in accordance with the CACSO's regulations.

4.2. Technical matters will be solved in accordance with the ITTF regulations in force.

The ITTF General Judge will be appointed by the ULTM approved by the ITTF in coordination with the Puerto Rico Table Tennis Federation.

5. EVENTS AND COMPETITION SYSTEM

Seven (7) Categories

1. Men's Teams
2. Women's Teams
3. Men's Doubles
4. Women's Doubles
5. Mixed Doubles
6. Men's Singles
7. Women's Singles

For an event to be considered official, a minimum of five competitors from an equal number of NOCs must compete. If after the Technical Meeting one or more competitors withdraw due to reasons beyond their control (after CACSO's verification), the event could be celebrated with a minimum of four (4) competitors from an equal number of NOCs.

5.1. Competition System. The tournament will be played as follows:

5.1.1. TEAM EVENTS

Events will be played according to the established format of the Olympic Games.

- Four singles and one double event
- Each player may only play two games

Order of the games:

- Two (2) single games, one (1) double, and two (2) singles.
- Games Format:
 1. A vs X
 2. B vs Y
 3. Double Games: (C/A or C/B) vs (Z/X or Z/Y)
 4. (B or A) vs Z
 5. C vs (Y or X)

All team games will be to the best three of five games.

With up to six (6) teams, a one group Round Robin will be played, playing in the finals 1st vs 4th and 2nd vs 3rd. Winners will play for the gold medal and each loser will obtain a bronze medal.



For more than six (6) teams, groups will be formed as needed, with a minimum of three (3) and a maximum of four (4) teams in each group, competing in the same Round Robin system, qualifying to a final round the best 2 of each group. The final phase will be done by Simple Elimination.

The draws will be held according to the most recent World Ranking of the ITTF using the Serpentine System.

The Ranking for each team will be the sum of the individual ranking of the best three (3) registered players of the ITTF-ULTM Ranking.

Awards will be given to the two third places.

5.1.2. Doubles Event

Doubles and Mixed Events

Will be played by Simple Elimination and the games will be to the best of five (5) games. Awards will be given to the two third places.

The draws will be carried according to the World Ranking of the ITTF-ULTM at the time of the Games.

Each country may register two (2) couples in Men and Women Doubles and four (4) in Mixed Doubles.

5.1.3. Singles Event

Singles Event

Groups of three or four players will be formed, qualifying two players per group. All events will be to the best of five games. The qualifying teams will pass to a final round by simple elimination where each event will consist of the best four (4) of seven (7) games.

Seeding Criteria

The seeding to be used will be the ITTF-ULTM Ranking at the time of the Games using the Serpentine System during the first phase and the qualified players will be drawn according to the criteria used by the ITTF and taking into consideration Article 8.3.

6. COMPETITION CALENDAR

The Competition Calendar will begin every day at 09:00 hours; in daily intervals defined at the Technical Meeting.

TIME	EVENT	M/W	PHASE
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JULY 25, 2010			
10:00	Teams	M/W	Preliminaries
13:00	Rest Period		
16:00	Teams	M/W	Preliminaries
JULY 26, 2010			
10:00	Teams	M/W	Preliminaries
13:00	Rest Period		
16:00	Teams	M/W	Finals and Awards
JULY 27, 2010			
10:00	Doubles	M/W	Finals
13:00	Rest Period		
16:00	Mixed Doubles	M/W	Finals
19:00			Awards Doubles and Mixed
JULY 28, 2010			
10:00	Singles Event	W	Group Preliminaries
13:00	Rest Period		
16:00	Singles Event	M	Group Preliminaries
JULY 29, 2010			
10:00	Singles	M/W	Finals
13:00	Rest Period		
16:00	Singles	M/W	Finals
JULY 30, 2010			
10:00	Singles	W	Finals and Awards
11:00	Singles	M	Finals and Awards

*Subject to changes

7. TRAINING PROGRAM

7.1. The training program and schedule will be set once the numerical entries are received and will be confirmed on the arrival of the delegations in Mayagüez. The trainings will be held in the assigned competition venues and other designated places.

7.2. The facilities can only be used during the time designated by the Organizing Committee. The rotation of countries among the training facilities will be used to guarantee fair conditions.

8. AWARDS

According to CACSO's regulations, the awards will be distributed in the following manner:

8.1. Team Events

First Place: Gold Medal and Diploma to each team member
Second Place: Silver Medal and Diploma to each team member
Two Third Places: Bronze Medal and Diploma to each team member

8.2. Singles and Doubles Events



First Place: Gold Medal and Diploma to each team member
Second Place: Silver Medal and Diploma to each team member
Two Third Places: Bronze Medal and Diploma to each team member

8.3. According to CACSO's regulations, only two (2) players or couples of the same country may obtain medals in the same event and proper measures will be taken to comply with this disposition.

8.4. The award ceremonies will be held finalizing each event. Winners of different disciplines will be taken to the award center. For the award ceremony, athletes must wear the official uniform representing their country.

8.5. Diplomas will be given to the corresponding Chief of Mission at the Central American Village.

9. COMPETITION OFFICIALS AND JURY OF APPEAL

One (1) Technical Delegate of the International Federation (ITTF)
One (1) Representative of the Latin American Union (ULTM)
One (1) General Coordinator and his Assistant
One (1) General Judge and two (2) Assistants
One (1) Head of Referees and two (2) Assistants
One (1) Head of Press
One (1) Head of Systems

9.1. The competition will be conducted by a ITTF General Judge whose functions will be described in the current ITTF Regulations Manual.

9.2. A team of twenty five (25) referees, including the ones coming with their National Federations, will be formed.

9.3. Jury. The Jury of Appeal will be integrated by the ITTF delegate for Latin America, one (1) member of the Technical Division of Mayagüez 2010, and one (1) member of the Puerto Rico Table Tennis Federation.

9.3.1. Any requirement or request to the Jury of Appeal must be submitted by the respective Delegate in written.

10. FACILITIES AND IMPLEMENTS

The Table Tennis competition will be held at the Gimnasio Luis F. Sambolín of the Inter American University in San Germán with a capacity of 1,000 spectators.

10.1. The competition place will meet the requirements determined by the ITTF.

10.2. All sport material will be approved by the ITTF.



10.3. The training and competition equipment will be provided by the Organizing Committee, using the same trademark for both.

10.4. Competition Tables. The Table Tennis Tournament will be played using ten (10) tables; the ball and the rest of the implements will be of the brand approved by the ITTF.

11. UNIFORMS

Uniforms used will be in accordance to the norms established in the ITTF Regulations.

For the award ceremony, they must wear the official uniform representing their country.

12. TECHNICAL MEETING

In the Technical Meeting, two (2) delegates, maximum, of the countries present will participate, and the meeting will be held on July 24, 2010 at 10:00 hours.

The Technical Meeting will be presided by the Technical Delegate of the event.

The order for the draw will be as follows:

- ✓ Men's Teams
- ✓ Women's Teams
- ✓ Men's Doubles
- ✓ Women's Doubles
- ✓ Mixed Doubles
- ✓ Men's Individual
- ✓ Women's Individual

The General Judge, Referee, and technical personnel will meet on July 24, 2010 at 15:00 hours in a place designated by the Organizing Committee.

The Delegates will be accompanied by the coaches. Players will not be allowed, unless one of them is designated as coach.

13. MEDICAL CONTROL

13.1. Medical Control and Examinations

Any athlete refusing to any medical control or examination or found guilty of doping, will get his/her accreditation withdrawn and will be expelled from the games and possibly from future international competitions according to the penalties established by the CACSO, the ULTM, and the ITTF regulations.

13.2. Anti-doping Control



The anti-doping control test will be conducted by the Medical Direction of the Organizing Committee. The regulations in force will be those from the Medical Commissions of the International Olympic Committee, WADA-AMA (World Anti-doping Agency), and CACSO. The selection of the athletes for the sample taking will be carried out by the CACSO's Medical Commission in coordination with the delegates from the International Federation and the Latin American Table Tennis Union.

14. REGULATIONS REGARDING ADVERTISING AND PUBLICITY-RULE 51 OF THE OLYMPIC CHARTER

Everything related to the application of the regulations regarding advertising and publicity of sports materials and equipment, and sports clothes will be in force by the CACSO Regulations and by Rule 51 of the Olympic Charter. For consultation of the Olympic Charter, access the following link: (http://multimedia.olympic.org/pdf/en_report_122.pdf).