LEGAL BASIS AND HALF-PRICE ADMISSION RIGHTS

PACAM 2027 — Pan-American Congress of Aerospace Medicine, Urgent and Emergency Care

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2.1. Overview of the legal framework

PACAM 2027 recognizes the importance of Brazilian legislation protecting students and other half-price admission beneficiaries, in accordance with principles of transparency, accessibility, equal opportunity, and support for continuing education.

The congress registration and academic benefits policy takes into account current federal legislation and the specific provisions of Paraná State, where the event will be held.

Legally guaranteed benefits will be observed insofar as they apply to the event's access categories. PACAM 2027 may also establish institutional academic discounts to broaden participation by students and professionals in training.

2.2. Federal Law No. 12,933 of December 26, 2013

Relevant provision: Article 1, chapeau and paragraphs 1, 2, 8, 9 and 10.

Federal Law No. 12,933/2013 establishes half-price admission rights for students at educational, sporting, cultural, leisure, and entertainment events falling within its scope.

The law provides that half-price admission shall cost half the amount actually charged to the general public, subject to fulfillment of legal requirements.

Article 1(2) covers students duly enrolled in educational levels and modalities recognized under the National Education Guidelines and Framework Law.

The same law covers persons with disabilities, including a companion where necessary, and low-income young people meeting the prescribed conditions.

Application to PACAM 2027: rights of students meeting statutory conditions will be respected for legally covered ticket categories, subject to appropriate documentation.

Official source: https://www.planalto.gov.br/ccivil_03/_ato2011-2014/2013/lei/l12933.htm

2.3. Federal Law No. 9,394 of December 20, 1996 — LDB

Relevant provision: Article 44(III).

The National Education Guidelines and Framework Law recognizes postgraduate study as part of higher education, including:

- Specialization courses;
- Master's programs;
- Doctoral programs;

- Advanced study courses and other educational arrangements provided for by law.

Accordingly, degree-holding professionals may retain student status while pursuing formal academic education.

Practical example: a physician duly enrolled in a doctoral program remains a student for the educational purposes set out in the LDB, regardless of years of professional practice.

Proof of that status and eligibility for half-price admission are subject to the specific requirements of the relevant legislation.

Official source: https://www.planalto.gov.br/ccivil_03/leis/l9394.htm

2.4. Federal Decree No. 8,537 of October 5, 2015

Relevant provisions: Articles 2, 3 and 7–12.

Federal Decree No. 8,537/2015 regulates half-price admission and sets out procedures for proving beneficiary status, selling tickets, providing statutory reserved allocations, and ensuring transparency of information.

Its main requirements include:

- Proof of student status by a Student Identity Card (CIE), in accordance with statutory requirements;
- A half-price ticket costing 50% of the corresponding full-price ticket;
- Application of the benefit to ticket categories offered to the general public;
- Reservation of 40% of tickets for eligible beneficiaries, under the prescribed conditions;
- Clear disclosure of benefit conditions and ticket availability;
- Prohibition on combining statutory half-price admission with other promotions or agreements.

Application to PACAM 2027: the organizers must structure ticket sales and verification procedures to comply with applicable regulatory requirements.

Official source: https://www.planalto.gov.br/ccivil_03/_ato2015-2018/2015/decreto/d8537.htm

2.5. Paraná State Law No. 22,130 of September 9, 2024

Relevant provisions: Articles 275, 276, 290, 291 and 295.

State Law No. 22,130/2024 establishes Paraná's Consolidated Consumer Protection Laws.

Article 275 includes educational, social, and cultural activities among those encompassed by the state definition of entertainment venues.

Article 290 expressly provides for half-price admission for duly enrolled students, including postgraduate students, at establishments and events covered by the law.

Article 291 governs proof of student status. Paragraph 4 also provides for specific alternative proof where no competent representative body exists to issue student identity cards.

Article 295 establishes a reservation of 40% of all tickets for the benefit.

Application to PACAM 2027: state law provides an additional legal basis for recognizing postgraduate students, subject to the event's legal classification and documentation requirements.

Official source:
https://www.legislacao.pr.gov.br/legislacao/listarAtosAno.do?action=exibir&codAto=337687&codItemAto=2135530

2.6. Paraná State Law No. 23,092 of March 27, 2026

Relevant provisions: Articles 1 and 2, amending Articles 274-A and 276 of State Law No. 22,130/2024.

This legislative amendment strengthens transparency in ticket sales and establishes rules on fees charged to consumers.

It also requires tickets legally reserved for half-price admission to be offered as a unified allocation to beneficiary categories, prohibiting separate exclusive quotas by category.

Application to PACAM 2027: the organizers must prevent different statutory benefit types from unduly restricting access to half-price ticket allocations.

Official source:
https://www.legislacao.pr.gov.br/legislacao/exibirAto.do?action=iniciarProcesso&codAto=389518&codItemAto=2474190

2.7. Half-price admission for healthcare professionals in Paraná

Relevant provisions: State Laws No. 22,235/2024 and No. 23,396/2026, governing Articles 303-A and 303-B of Law No. 22,130/2024.

Paraná law provides half-price admission for active and retired professionals in the state's public and private healthcare systems at establishments and events within its scope.

The updated wording of Article 303-A covers several professions, including medicine, nursing, physiotherapy, psychology, dentistry, pharmacy, nutrition, speech-language therapy, and other expressly listed fields.

Article 303-B establishes proof requirements involving an identity document accompanied by appropriate professional documentation.

Application to PACAM 2027: eligibility of Paraná healthcare professionals will be assessed against the territorial, professional, and substantive requirements of the law.

Professionals from other Brazilian states or countries may receive institutional academic benefits defined by the organizers, regardless of eligibility for the state benefit.

Official source 1:
https://www.legislacao.pr.gov.br/legislacao/listarAtosAno.do?action=exibirImpressao&codAto=347260

Official source 2:
https://www.legislacao.pr.gov.br/legislacao/exibirAto.do?action=iniciarProcesso&codAto=402724&codItemAto=2575231

2.8. Older Persons Statute — Federal Law No. 10,741/2003

Relevant provision: Article 23.

The Older Persons Statute guarantees at least 50% off admission to artistic, cultural, sporting, and leisure events covered by the law, as well as priority access to their venues.

The statutory protection applies to persons aged 60 or over, subject to applicable conditions.

Application to PACAM 2027: the rights of older persons will be respected for access categories covered by law.

Official source: https://www.planalto.gov.br/ccivil_03/leis/2003/l10741compilado.htm

2.9. Academic and scientific nature of PACAM 2027

PACAM 2027 is an international academic, scientific, and professional meeting devoted to advancing knowledge, research, technical exchange, and continuing education.

In light of the event's characteristics, the organizers will distinguish between:

Statutory half-price admission: a benefit arising under current law where its provisions apply to the ticket category offered for sale.

Institutional academic discount: a benefit voluntarily granted by PACAM 2027 according to objective criteria disclosed in advance.

The classification of each ticket or registration category must consider the nature of the activities, statutory provisions, and any included services.

2.10. Institutional commitment

PACAM 2027 reaffirms its commitment to the rule of law, transparency, and broader access to scientific education.

The organizers recognize continuing professional development as an ongoing commitment to quality of care, operational safety, innovation, and preservation of human life.

Eligibility rules, required documents, discount categories, and registration procedures will be presented in the following sections of these regulations.

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