

# **Rules & Regulations**

Squash

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Dear participants of the European Maccabi Games Berlin 2015,

The Rules & Regulations at hand, provide the guidelines of the European Maccabi Games 2015 in Berlin. The Rules & Regulations regulate the execution of the sports competitions.

The Organising Committee and the sports federations, in most cases the Berlin sports federations, execute the competitions at the European Maccabi Games in close cooperation with one another. Insofar, the Rules & Regulations at hand are a joint product of the EMG2015 Organising Committee and the implementing sports federations.

We hope that the Rules & Regulations at hand will be the basis for sportsmanlike and fair sports competitions and an unforgettable European Maccabi Games Berlin 2015.



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## 1. Organisation

- a. The Squash Committee of the 14th European Maccabi Games will be responsible for the Squash Competition of the 14th European Maccabi Games.
- b. The Squash competitions will be conducted according to the rules of the World Squash Federation. (Formally the International Squash Rackets Federation)
- c. Participation in the Squash competition is open to any athlete who is in possession of a Participant Card issued by the Organising Committee of the 14th European Maccabi Games and who has registered to the Squash competitions.

## 2. Venues & Times

- a. The 14th European Maccabi Games Squash Committee will determine the venues and times of the Squash Competitions, and teams will be notified accordingly.
- b. The Squash Committee has full authorization to change the venues and times of the competition. These decisions will be final.

# 3. Teams

a. Each participating nation may enter up to a maximum of 6 players in the Singles Competitions and 3 players in the individual competition.

# 4. System of Competition

#### **4.1 Definitions**

| Ties:       | Game between opposing teams     |
|-------------|---------------------------------|
| Matches:    | Game between individual players |
| Start Date: | Day the competition begins      |

#### 4.2 Singles Competition

- 1. Each country may enter up to six players in the Singles Competition.
- 2. The Singles Competition will be played on a knock-out system.
- 3. Each match will be played to the best of five games.

4. All games will be played up to eleven points.

## 4.3 Team Competitions

Team competitions will only be held with a minimum of three participating teams.

Composition of Teams:

- a. Each team will consist of three players.
- b. A team may register up to five players, i.e. players plus two reserves.
- c. Teams may consist of participants from different countries.
- d. Each player will play his opposite number from the opposing team.

## 4.4 Point Scoring System

a. All ties shall be the best of three matches, and each match the best of five games. A team wins a TIE when it has won three or two individual MATCHES in that TIE i.e. 3-0, 2-1. The winner of the TIE receives one (1) point, the loser zero (0) points. All games will be played up to eleven (11) points.

# 4.5 Team Order

- a. Each team manager/captain will submit to the Tournament Director a complete "Team Order Form" in a sealed envelope by 14.00 hrs on the day before the Starting Date of the Team Competition.
- b. The Team Order Form will provide the Tournament Director with a list of players, by name, in the nations team, in descending order of strength, i.e. first seed #1, second seed #2 etc., including reserves if any.
- c. The list of players on the Team Order Form will be the order of play of that Nation during the Team Competition and will be adhered to throughout the tournament.

# 4.6 Playing Order

- a. The Team manager/captain will submit to the Tournament Director at least one hour before play on their TIE, a list of players in descending order of play who will be playing in that TIE on a Playing Order Form.
- b. If no Playing Order Form is submitted within the time limit then the first three players listed in the Team Order Form will be registered to play.

- a. Up to and including seven teams. The competition will be played in a single pool. Medals will be awarded according to final position.
- b. From eight to twelve teams the competition will be played in two pools. The playoffs will be played based on a knockout competition between places 1 and 2 in pool A and places 2 and 1 in pool B.

#### 4.8 Final order if teams

All teams shall play one another in a Pool to establish an order of merit. The final position shall be decided:

- a. Scoring to 11 points, game to be won by 2 clear points at 10 points each
- b. If 2 or more teams have won the same number of ties, then by the greater positive difference of match points won or lost.
- c. If 2 or more teams are still equal, then by the greater positive difference of game points won or lost.
- d. If 2 or more teams are still equal, then by the greater positive difference of single points won or lost.
- e. If 2 or more teams are still equal, the result of the match between the position one players (in order of games and the points) of the tie between them shall determine the final order.
- f. If 2 or more teams are still equal, the result of the match between the position two players (in order of games and the points) of the tie between them shall determine the final order.

# 5. Ball Specifications & Equipment

- a. The ball to be used in all games is a Victor Tournament Double Yellow ball. The Squash Committee will supply balls only for competitions. A new ball will be used for each new game, or at the discretion of the Tournament Director.
- b. Players will be obliged to use their own non-marking ball for training purposes.

#### 6. Draw

- a. The draw will be a public draw before the opening of the 14<sup>th</sup> European Maccabi Games.
- b. The Squash Committee will be responsible for seeding the draw of the Team Competition.

- a. The Squash Committee will select a Referees' Committee, which in turn will appoint the referees of the competition.
- b. Players will be expected to referee matches. A limited number of referees are available for the final stages.

# 8. General

- a. These regulations are but one part of the complete 14th European Maccabi Games Regulations, and must be read along with the instructions found in "Basic Regulations and Disciplinary Procedures".
- b. In the event of a discrepancy between the regulations written here and those appearing in the "Basic Regulations", the regulations written here will apply and be binding.