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Leisure and Cultural
Services Department

Masters Games 2016 — Table Tennis Competition

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1. Purpose : To provide members of the public aged 35 or above with opportunities to participate in table tennis competitions and compete against others of similar age, so as to encourage them to enjoy the fun of sports and sustain their interest in sports activities.
2. Date and Time : 16 and 25 September, and 10, 22, 23 and 29 October 2016 (Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays)
2:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. (Saturdays)
9:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m. (Sundays and Public Holidays)
3. Venue : Shek Kip Mei Park Sports Centre
(Address: 290 Nam Cheong Street, Sham Shui Po, Kowloon)
4. Eligibility Requirements : Participants aged 35 or above are welcome. A participant's age is calculated as at the first day of the competition (i.e. those who were born on or before 16 September 1981 are eligible to participate in the competition).

5. Division and Quota :

Programme No	Event	Division	Age	Quota	
4043 4949	Singles	Men's A Grade	70 or above	32 players	
4043 4950		Men's B Grade	65 – 69	64 players	
4043 4951		Men's C Grade	60 – 64	64 players	
4043 4952		Men's D Grade	55 – 59	96 players	
4043 4953		Men's E Grade	50 – 54	96 players	
4043 4954		Men's F Grade	45 – 49	64 players	
4043 4955		Men's G Grade	40 – 44	64 players	
4043 4956		Men's H Grade	35 – 39	64 players	
4043 4957		Women's A Grade	70 or above	8 players	
4043 4958		Women's B Grade	65 – 69	16 players	
4043 4959		Women's C Grade	60 – 64	16 players	
4043 4960		Women's D Grade	55 – 59	16 players	
4043 4961		Women's E Grade	50 – 54	32 players	
4043 4962		Women's F Grade	45 – 49	16 players	
4043 4963		Women's G Grade	40 – 44	16 players	
4043 4964		Women's H Grade	35 – 39	8 players	
4043 4965		Doubles	Men's A Grade	55 or above	64 teams
4043 4966			Men's B Grade	45 or above	32 teams
4043 4967	Men's C Grade		35 or above	32 teams	
4043 4968	Women's A Grade		50 or above	16 teams	
4043 4969	Women's B Grade		35 or above	8 teams	
4043 4970	Mixed A Grade		50 or above	16 teams	
4043 4971	Mixed B Grade		35 or above	16 teams	

6. Notes for Applicants : (1) Applicants should consider whether they are physically fit to take part in this competition. In case of doubt, please consult a doctor.
- (2) Each applicant may enter a **maximum of 1 singles event and 1 doubles event** and pay the enrolment fee just once. To facilitate the fixture draw, a separate Enrolment Form should be submitted for each event to be entered.
- (3) Each applicant shall submit only 1 Enrolment Form for each event to be entered. In case of multiple submissions or incomplete information, the Enrolment Form(s) will not be accepted.
- (4) For better utilisation of resources, the Organiser may adjust the quotas of divisions in view of the enrolment response. Applicants or participants shall have no objection.
- (5) A team entering a doubles event shall be in the division to which the younger team member belongs.
- (6) If there are less than 2 persons/teams entering a division, the Organiser has the right to combine it with a division for a younger age group or cancel all the events in the division.
- (7) A participant who has entered a singles event wishes to enter a doubles event, or a participant who has entered a doubles event wishes to enter a singles event, has to not only submit another Enrolment Form and produce his/her identity document and other document(s) required once again, **but also produce the receipt of the previous enrolment in order to get fee exemption for the new enrolment.**
- (8) Participants providing false information will be disqualified from all events. Their competition results will be cancelled and the enrolment fees paid will not be refunded.
- (9) To facilitate communication, applicants shall notify the Organiser in writing immediately of any change in their correspondence address.
7. Enrolment Fee : HK\$20 per person for singles events; HK\$40 per team for doubles events (a participant entering both singles and doubles events is required to pay for the singles event only, i.e. HK\$20). Participants aged 60 or above, full-time students and persons with disabilities can enjoy a concession of 50% upon production of a valid identity document at the time of payment. A participant's age is calculated as at the first day of the competition (i.e. 16 September 2016).
8. Format : (1) A single knock-out system shall be adopted for all events.
- (2) The matches from the preliminary to the final rounds shall be the best of 5 games of 11 points.
9. Rules : (1) If only 1 player/team turns up and reports to the Organiser on the event day, the player/team will still be given an award.
- (2) Participants who withdraw or fail to complete all the matches will be disqualified from the event concerned. The results and awards obtained by them will be cancelled and the enrolment fees paid will not be refunded.
- (3) A participant who has had another person play under his/her name, violated any rules/regulations or displayed any misbehaviour that may affect a match will be disqualified from the event concerned with all the results cancelled. The enrolment fee paid will not be refunded.
- (4) Unless explicitly stated in this prospectus, all rules and regulations will follow those currently used by the Hong Kong Table Tennis Association.
10. Points to Note for Reporting : (1) Participants shall pay attention to the announcements of the Organiser and turn up on time according to the reporting and competition schedules. Otherwise, they will be regarded as having withdrawn from the match.
- (2) Participants shall report to the Registration Counter at the scheduled time in person, bringing along with them the original copy of the identity document used for enrolment (Hong Kong Identity Card for Hong Kong residents; and valid travel document, such as the passport and the Exit-entry Permit for Travelling to and from Hong Kong and Macao (commonly known as Two-way Permit) for non-Hong Kong residents) for verification of eligibility. The Organiser has the right to disqualify participants failing to produce a valid identity document from the event concerned. Those who fail to report for a match 5 minutes after the scheduled time (for doubles events, both players must report at the same time) will be regarded as having withdrawn from the match.
- (3) Participants shall stay at the venue to prepare for the match after reporting. If a player fails

to turn up or a team fails to turn up in full team 5 minutes after the roll call made by the referee/umpire, the player/team will be regarded as having withdrawn from the match.

11. Fixture Draw : It will be held at **7:00 p.m. on 25 August 2016 (Thursday)** at the Audio-Visual Room, 1/F, Leisure and Cultural Services Headquarters, 1-3 Pai Tau Street, Sha Tin. Members of the public are welcome to attend. The results of the fixture draw (i.e. competition schedule), Notes for Participant and the location map of the competition venue will be sent to the participants by post/fax/e-mail.
(Participants who do not receive the above information before the start of the competition should contact the Organiser as soon as possible or download the information from the Masters Games website.)
12. Referee/Umpire : (1) Players on bye on a competition day shall take turns to serve as referees/umpires in the preliminary rounds that take place on the same day according to the arrangements made by the Organiser. If no referee/umpire is available for a match, the players in the match shall keep score by themselves.
(2) The Organiser will arrange for referees/umpires for the matches from the round of 16 onwards.
13. Appeal : No appeal will be accepted. The decisions of the referees/umpires on the spot shall be final.
14. Points to Note : (1) Participants shall bring their own bats which should be red on one side and black on the other. The covering material of the blades must meet the current requirements of the International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF). For details, please visit the ITTF's website at http://www.ittf.com/_front_page/itf1.asp?category=rubber.
(2) Table tennis balls (white in colour and 40+) provided by the Organiser will be used in all matches.
(3) Participants must wear approved sportswear (including short-sleeved sports shirts, sports shorts/skirts, socks and non-marking rubber-soled sports shoes). The main colour of the sports shirts must be clearly different from that of the table tennis ball.
(4) Team members in doubles events must wear short-sleeved sports shirts of the same colour and style.
(5) Participants shall turn up according to the competition schedule and no request for rescheduling will be considered. The schedule of events for each division announced on the spot on the event day shall prevail.
(6) Owing to the tight competition schedule, no warm-up area will be provided by the Organiser.
(7) Participants shall pay attention to the announcements made/notices displayed by the Organiser on the spot and comply with all the rules and regulations of the Organiser and the venue.
15. Awards : Medals will be awarded to the Champion, 1st Runner-up, 2nd Runner-up and 3rd Runner-up of each division.
16. Access to Prospectus and Enrolment Form : (1) District Leisure Services Offices (DLSOs) of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD);
(2) Recreation and sports venues with Leisure Link services; and
(3) Masters Games website: www.lcsd.gov.hk/en/mg/2016/prospectus.html
17. Enrolment Period : **27 June to 6 July 2016**
18. Enrolment Methods : (1) Complete and submit an Enrolment Form within the enrolment period by the following methods (no identity document is required at this stage):
a) In person to any of the DLSOs (during office hours) or recreation and sports venues with Leisure Link services; or
b) By post to the following address: (the date of the postmark shall be the receipt date)
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Major Events Section
2/F, Leisure and Cultural Services Headquarters
1-3 Pai Tau Street, Sha Tin, New Territories; or
c) Via the Internet.

- (2) If the quotas are exceeded, allocation of places will be determined by drawing lots, which will be held in public **at 10:00 a.m. on 19 July 2016 (Tuesday)** in Room 201, 2/F, Leisure and Cultural Services Headquarters, 1-3 Pai Tau Street, Sha Tin. Members of the public are welcome to attend.
- (3) The lot drawing results for both successful and waiting list applicants will be announced at the DLSOs, recreation and sports venues with Leisure Link services and on the Masters Games website on **22 July 2016 (Friday)**. Both successful and waiting list applicants will be notified of the results by post/fax/e-mail (no order of priority will be assigned to applicants on the waiting lists) but unsuccessful applicants will not be notified. The Organiser shall not be responsible for the postal delay due to the incorrect or incomplete correspondence address provided by an applicant.
- (4) Successful applicants shall bring along their notification letter, identity document (original or copy) and enrolment fee to any of the DLSOs (during office hours) or recreation and sports venues with Leisure Link services for verification of personal particulars and payment of enrolment fee within the following payment period. Successful applicants who do not pay within the payment period will be regarded as having forfeited the right to participate. Their places will be filled by waiting list applicants, who shall enrol within the following payment period on a first-come-first-served basis.

**Payment Period
for Successful Applicants
27 July – 3 August 2016**

**Payment Period
for Waiting List Applicants
5 – 9 August 2016**

- (5) If the quotas are not used up or places are still available after the payment deadline for waiting list applicants, the Organiser will accept open enrolment from **17 August 2016 (starting from 8:30 a.m.) to 18 August 2016** at all DLSOs on a first-come-first-served basis.
- (6) Both team members in doubles events must pay the enrolment fees within the payment period or else the team will be disqualified.

19. Inclement Weather Arrangement : If a Pre-No. 8 Special Announcement has been issued, or Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 8 or above or Black Rainstorm Warning Signal is still in force 2 hours before the reporting time for the first round of the matches on the competition day, all matches on that day will be cancelled. The Organiser will notify the participants of the corresponding arrangements separately in due course.
20. By-law :
 - (1) The Organiser has the right to release the competition results to the public.
 - (2) In addition to the rules stated in this prospectus, participants shall also comply with all the rules/regulations stated in the Notes for Participants.
 - (3) The lists of winners will be announced on the Masters Games website.
 - (4) The Organiser reserves the right to amend this prospectus at any time without further notice.
21. Enquiries : Major Events Section of the LCSD: 2601 7672
Office Hours: Monday to Friday: 8:45a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
(Lunch Hour: 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.)
(Closed on Saturdays, Sundays and General Holidays)

** The Chinese version of this prospectus and the Enrolment Form is available at the DLSOs of the LCSD, recreation and sports venues with Leisure Link services, and the department's Masters Games website.

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