

Masters Games 2018 – Table Tennis Competition

~ Notes for Participants ~

1. Date and Time : 8 to 22 December 2018 (Saturdays and Sundays)
2:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. (Saturdays)
9:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m. (Sundays) } (Details please refer to competition
schedule)
2. Venue : Cornwall Street Squash and Table Tennis Centre
(Address: 17 Cornwall Street, Kowloon Tong, Kowloon / Tel: 2337 4392)
3. 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.
4. Rule : (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 allowed another person to participate in the competition in his/her name, breached 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 Tennis Association.
5. 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 Otherwise, they will be regarded as having withdrawn from the match.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 who has failed to produce a valid identity document from participating in 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after the scheduled time (for doubles events, both players must report at the same time) will be regarded as having withdrawn from the match.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.
6. 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 qualified referees/umpires for the matches from the round of 16

onwards. All participants should abide by their decisions.

7. Appeal : No appeal will be accepted. The decisions of the referees/umpires on the spot shall be final.
8. Points to Note : (1) Participants shall bring their own rackets. The rubber covering of the racket should be approved by the International Table Tennis Federation. The racket should be red on one side and black on the other side. For details, please visit the ITTF's website at <https://www.ittf.com/equipment>
- (2) Table tennis balls (white in colour, 40mm+ in diameter) provided by the Organiser will be used in all matches.
- (3) Participants must wear a short-sleeved shirt, a pair of shorts (main colour of the shirt and shorts shall not be white or near to white) and non-marking sports shoes. The length of shorts should not exceed the knee. Otherwise, the Organiser reserves the right to disqualify the participants.
- (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, which will not be changed once it has been fixed. 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.
9. Awards : Medals will be awarded to the Champion, 1st Runner-up, 2nd Runner-up and 3rd Runner-up of each division.
10. Inclement Weather Arrangement : (1) 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.
- (2) If the Hong Kong Observatory has not issued the above special announcement and warning signals before the commencement of the competition, participants are still required to report at the registration counter. Any latecomers will not be accepted.
- (3) "High" health risk category (Air Quality Health Index (AQHI) of 7)
The AQHI for health risk category has reached "High" in Hong Kong, i.e. AQHI of 7. Environmental Protection Department advises those with existing heart or respiratory illnesses (such as coronary heart disease and other cardiovascular diseases, asthma and chronic obstructive airways diseases including chronic bronchitis and emphysema), children and the elderly to **reduce** outdoor physical exertion, and to **reduce** the time of their stay outdoors, especially in areas with heavy traffic. Participants with existing heart or respiratory illnesses should also seek advice from a medical doctor before participating in sports activities and take more breaks during physical activities. As the health effects on individuals may vary, participants should seek advice from a medical doctor if they are in

doubt or feel uncomfortable.

- (4) “Very High” health risk category (Air Quality Health Index (AQHI) of 8-10)
The AQHI for health risk category has reached “Very High” in Hong Kong, i.e. AQHI of 8-10. Environmental Protection Department advises those with existing heart or respiratory illnesses (such as coronary heart disease and other cardiovascular diseases, asthma and chronic obstructive airways diseases including chronic bronchitis and emphysema), children and the elderly to **reduce to the minimum** outdoor physical exertion, and to **reduce to the minimum** the time of their stay outdoors, especially in areas with heavy traffic. The general public is advised to **reduce** outdoor physical exertion, and to **reduce** the time of their stay outdoors, especially in areas with heavy traffic. As the health effects on individuals may vary, participants should seek advice from a medical doctor if they are in doubt or feel uncomfortable.
- (5) “Serious” health risk category (Air Quality Health Index (AQHI) Exceeding 10)
The AQHI for health risk category has reached “Serious” in Hong Kong, i.e. AQHI of 10+. Environmental Protection Department advises those with existing heart or respiratory illnesses (such as coronary heart disease and other cardiovascular diseases, asthma and chronic obstructive airways diseases including chronic bronchitis and emphysema), children and the elderly to **avoid** outdoor physical exertion, and to **avoid** staying outdoors, especially in areas with heavy traffic. The general public is advised to **reduce to the minimum** outdoor physical exertion, and to **reduce to the minimum** the time of their stay outdoors, especially in areas with heavy traffic. As the health effects on individuals may vary, participants should seek advice from a medical doctor if they are in doubt or feel uncomfortable.

11. By-law : (1) The Organiser has the right to release the results and photos of the competition to the public.
- (2) The prospectus, schedules, results of the grouping and fixture draw, results of the competition and other information relating to the competition will be announced through the Organiser’s website.
- (3) In addition to the rules stated in this prospectus, participants shall also comply with all the rules/regulations stated in the notes for participants.
- (4) The Organiser reserves the right to amend this prospectus at any time without further notice.
12. Enquiries : Major Events Section of the LCSD: 2601 7672
Office Hours: Monday to Friday: 8:45 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
(Lunch Hour: 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.)
(Closed on Saturdays, Sundays and General Holidays)

If there is any inconsistency or ambiguity between the Prospectus and the Notes for Participants, the Notes for Participants shall prevail.