

## Masters Games 2023 – Tai Chi Competition

### ~ Notes for Participants ~

Date and Time : 4 and 11 June 2023  
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. (Sunday)

Venue : Kwun Chung Sports Centre  
(Address: 6/F, Kwun Chung Municipal Services Building, 17 Bowring Street, Jordan, Kowloon)

Reporting Time :

✧ **Competition Date: 4-6-2023 (AM)**

Reporting Time	Division	Participant No.	Competition Area
08:15	Men's Individual Tai Chi Chuen	MC001 – MC062	A
08:15	Men's Individual Tai Chi Sword	MS001 – MS052	B

✧ **Competition Date: 4-6-2023 (PM)**

Reporting Time	Division	Participant No.	Competition Area
13:15	Men's Individual Tai Chi Chuen	MC063 – MC084	A
13:15	Team's Open Tai Chi Chuen	TC001 – TC022	B

✧ **Competition Date: 11-6-2023 (AM)**

Reporting Time	Division	Participant No.	Competition Area
08:15	Women's Individual Tai Chi Chuen	WC033 – WC077	A
		WC103 – WC115	
08:15	Women's Individual Tai Chi Sword	WS001 – WS030	B
		WS053 – WS078	

✧ **Competition Date: 11-6-2023 (PM)**

Reporting Time	Division	Participant No.	Competition Area
13:15	Women's Individual Tai Chi Chuen	WC078 – WC102	A
		WC001 – WC032	
13:15	Women's Individual Tai Chi Sword	WS031 – WS052	B
	Team's Open Tai Chi Sword	TS001 – TS017	

- Format : (1) Two areas for competition is arranged in the venue for conducting competition at the same time. Area for competition will be 14m x 18m.
- (2) Assessment Criteria: A combined score will be given on the form of movement, power, coordination, spirit, consciousness, rhythm, etc, for individual division; the quality of movement, content of style and overall coordination, etc, for team division.
- (3) The score of participants/teams will be the sum of three scores from five judges (the highest and lowest scores will be excluded). The position will be subject to the total score of 5 judges in case of equal scoring. In case the total scores tie, the final position will be determined by the chief judge.
- (4) The best 4 scorers of each division/school will be awarded.
- Rules : (1) Participants' number cloths will be distributed on the competition day. All participants should wear the number cloths during the competition.
- (2) Duration of performance for each participant/team is **3 to 4 minutes**, those who fail to meet this criteria will have their scores deducted.
- (3) Participant/team gets ready in the competition area. When the time-keeper rings the bell once, the participant/team may start the performance. When the performance time reaches 3 minutes and 55 seconds, the time-keeper will ring the bell twice to remind the participant/team that they should finish the performance promptly within 4 minutes. When time reaches 4 minutes but the performance continues, the time-keeper will ring the bell continuously, the participant/team is requested to stop the performance immediately and leave the competition area. Otherwise, their scores may be deducted and they shall not raise any objection.
- (4) If only one participant/team shows up and completes the event on the competition day, the participant/team will still be given the respective award.
- (5) Participants/teams who withdraw or fail to complete the competition 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.
- (6) 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.
- (7) Unless explicitly stated in this prospectus, all rules and regulations will follow those currently used by the Hong Kong Tai Chi Association.
- Marshall : (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 15 minutes after the scheduled time will be regarded as having withdrawn from the match. For team events, team manager should report to the Registration Counter first. The Organiser will verify the identities of respective team members according to the competition rundown. Those who are late for the competition or teams with insufficient members will be considered as forfeiting their rights of participation.

- (3) Participants shall produce their valid identification documents for verification of eligibility when they report in and before the competition begins. The Organiser has the right to disqualify participants failing to produce a valid identity document from the event concerned.

Judge : The Organiser will arrange qualified judges for the event.

Appeal : No appeal will be accepted. The decision of the judges on the spot will be final.

Points to Note : (1) 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.

Attire : (1) Participants shall dress themselves in tidy Tai Chi attires and wear a pair of non-marking rubber-soled sports shoes during the competition.  
(2) Participants should not wear in the uniform same as judges to avoid unnecessary disputes.

Awards : Medal will be awarded to the Champion, 1st Runner-up, 2nd Runner-up and 3rd Runner-up of each division. If there are 20 or more participants perform in the same school in any individual divisions, scores and awards will be counted separately for that school.

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) When the “Air Quality Health Index (AQHI) of 7 or above” has been issued by the Environmental Protection Department on the competition day, the arrangement of the competition as at below:

**“High” health risk category (Air Quality Health Index (AQHI) of 7)**

Activities will be held as scheduled. 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.

**“Very High” health risk category (Air Quality Health Index (AQHI) of 8-10)**

Activities will be held as scheduled. 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 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.

**“Serious” health risk category (Air Quality Health Index (AQHI) Exceeding 10)**

Activities will be held as scheduled. 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 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.

- Supplementary Regulations :
- (1) The Organiser has the right to release the results of the competition to the public.
  - (2) The Organiser will carry out photo shoots/video-filming/arrange broadcasting during the competitions, and has the right to display/publish the event photos or videos on the Internet, at venues of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department, on the dedicated website, in publications of the Organiser and through other publicity channels, for promotion of activities or record purposes.
  - (3) In addition to the rules and points to note stated in this prospectus, participants shall also comply with all the rules/regulations stated in the notes for Participants.

- Enquiries :
- Major Events Section of the LCSD: 2601 7673
  - 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)