

Masters Games 2012/13 – Badminton Competition

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1. Aim : Targeted at people aged 35 or above, the Masters Games emphasises participation and enjoyment rather than the winning of prizes. The Games also offer participants the opportunity to compete against people of similar ages to sustain their interest in sports activities.
2. Date & Time : 3, 4, 18 November & 2, 16 December 2012 (Sat & Sun)
2:00 pm – 11:00 pm (Sat)
9:00 am – 11:00 pm (Sun)
3. Venue : Po Kong Village Road Sports Centre
(Address: 120 Po Kong Village Road, Tsz Wan Shan, Wong Tai Sin)
4. Eligibility : People aged 35 or above are welcome to participate in the Games. Participants' age is calculated against the first day on which the event commences (i.e. those who were born on or before 3 November 1977 are eligible to participate in the competition).

5. Division & Quota

Activity No.	Division		Age	Quota
40307548	Singles	Men’s A Grade	60 or above	16 players
40307549		Men’s B Grade	55 – 59	32 players
40307550		Men’s C Grade	50 – 54	64 players
40307551		Men’s D Grade	45 – 49	64 players
40307552		Men’s E Grade	40 – 44	64 players
40307553		Men’s F Grade	35 – 39	48 players
40307554		Women’s A Grade	55 or above	8 players
40307555		Women’s B Grade	50 – 54	16 players
40307556		Women’s C Grade	45 – 49	32 players
40307557		Women’s D Grade	40 – 44	32 players
40307558		Women’s E Grade	35 – 39	24 players
40307559		Doubles	Men’s A Grade	55 or above
40307560	Men’s B Grade		50 or above	32 teams
40307561	Men’s C Grade		45 or above	48 teams
40307562	Men’s D Grade		40 or above	32 teams
40307563	Men’s E Grade		35 or above	32 teams
40307564	Women’s A Grade		50 or above	8 teams
40307565	Women’s B Grade		45 or above	16 teams
40307566	Women’s C Grade		40 or above	16 teams
40307567	Women’s D Grade		35 or above	16 teams
40307568	Mixed A Grade		50 or above	16 teams
40307569	Mixed B Grade		45 or above	16 teams
40307570	Mixed C Grade		40 or above	16 teams
40307571	Mixed D Grade	35 or above	16 teams	

- Points to Note : (1) Participants should be aware of their health condition, and consider whether it is suitable for them to enrol in this Games. In case of doubt, please consult a doctor prior to the enrolment of activity.
- (2) Each participant may participate in a maximum of two events, i.e. one singles event and one doubles event. He/She shall submit one enrolment form for each event only. The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) reserves the right to disqualify any participant who has made repeated enrolments or has submitted an incomplete enrolment form.
- (3) The LCSD reserves the right to adjust the quota of each division subject to the enrolment condition.
- (4) For participants entering the doubles event, the division they enter shall be the one to which their youngest team member belongs.
- (5) If the number of participants/teams enrolled in any division is less than four, the LCSD reserves the right to combine it with a division of younger age or cancel all events in that division.
- (6) In case only one participant/team turns up and completes the reporting on the event day, he/she/the team will still be awarded the prize.

6. Entry Fee : \$20/person
[Persons aged 60 or above, full-time students and persons with disabilities can enjoy a 50% discount upon production of valid proof at the time of payment.]

7. Format : (1) The single knock-out system will be adopted in all events.
(2) The Rally Points Scoring System (a match consists of the best of 3 games of 21 points) will be applied to all events.

8. Schedules & Rules : (1) Relevant supplementary information including schedules, notes to participants and location map of the competition venue will be delivered to participants by post/fax/e-mail, or can be downloaded from the LCSD Masters Games webpage. If participants do not receive any information on the competition when the date of competition is drawing near, please contact the LCSD as soon as possible.

(2) Participants shall arrive at the competition venue at the scheduled time and report to the LCSD staff in person with their valid identification document. Those who turn up late to report (both participants shall report at the same time for doubles event) more than 5 minutes, the LCSD staff reserves the right to disqualify them from the competition. Participants shall stay at the venue to prepare for the match after reporting.

(3) Those who fail to turn up or dispatch not enough players in a doubles event for the match 5 minutes after the roll call made by referee/umpire will be regarded as having withdrawn from the match.

(4) If any participants withdraw or fail to complete all matches, they will be disqualified. All competition results and winning qualifications will be cancelled and the entry fee paid by him/her will not be refunded.

(5) Participants shall pay attention to the announcement made/notice displayed by the LCSD on the spot and comply with the rules and regulations of the venue.

(6) If any participants violate the regulations or display any misbehaviour which may affect the competition, the LCSD reserves the right to disqualify them from the competition.

(7) No appeal will be accepted. The decision of the umpire on the spot will be final.

- (8) The list of the winners for each division will be announced on the LCSD Masters Games webpage.
- (9) Unless explicitly stated in this prospectus, all rules and regulations will follow those currently adopted by the Hong Kong Badminton Association.
9. Fixture Draw : The fixture draw will be held on 12 October 2012 at 7:00 pm at the Audio-Visual Room, 1/F, Leisure and Cultural Services Headquarters, 1-3 Pai Tau Street, Sha Tin. Participants are welcome to attend.
10. Umpire : (1) **Players on bye will take turns to serve as umpires in the preliminary rounds and they shall report on schedule for carrying out the umpire duties.** To enrich participants' knowledge on umpire works, the LCSD representative will give a brief introduction of the rules and latest information of badminton competition after the fixture draw. Participants are welcome to attend.
- (2) From the Round of 16 onwards, the umpire services will be arranged by the LCSD.
11. Equipment : (1) Participants shall wear tidy sportswear and a pair of non-marking rubber-soled sports shoes.
- (2) Participants shall bring their own rackets while shuttlecocks for matches will be provided by the LCSD.
12. Awards : Medals will be awarded to the champion, 1st runner-up, 2nd runner-up and 3rd runner-up of each division.
13. Prospectuses & Enrolment Forms Available at/on : (1) District Leisure Services Offices (DLSOs) of the LCSD;
- (2) Any recreational and sports venues with Leisure Link services; or
- (3) Masters Games website: www.lcsd.gov.hk/me/mastersgames/en
14. Enrolment Period : **16 – 27 August 2012**
(Postmark date on the envelope will be regarded as the application date)
15. Enrolment Methods : (1) Completed enrolment forms should be submitted during the submission period (originals/copies of identification documents need not be attached or produced when the forms are submitted):
- a) In person to: DLSOs of the LCSD (during office hours) or any recreational and sports venues with Leisure Link services;
- b) By post to:
Major Events Section,
Leisure and Cultural Services Department,
2/F, Leisure and Cultural Services Headquarters,
1-3 Pai Tau Street, Sha Tin, New Territories; or
- c) Submission of enrolment forms via the Internet.
- (2) **Each participant may participate in a maximum of two events, i.e. one singles event and one doubles event.** He/She shall submit one enrolment form for each event only. The LCSD reserves the right to disqualify any participant who has made repeated enrolments or has submitted an incomplete enrolment form.
- (3) Participants will be selected by ballot if the applications exceed the quota. The ballot will be held on 10 September 2012 at 4:30 pm 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.

- (4) The balloting results (only Chinese and English names of participants will be disclosed) will be announced at the DLSOs of the LCSD, any recreational and sports venues with Leisure Link services and on the LCSD Masters Games webpage on 14 September 2012. Notification letters will be sent to the successful applicants and applicants on the waiting list (no priority number will be assigned to applicants on the waiting list) while unsuccessful applicants will not be notified.
- (5) Successful applicants shall bring along their notification letters/identification documents (originals or copies) and entry fees to the DLSOs of the LCSD (during office hours) or any recreational and sports venues with Leisure Link services for verification of their personal particulars and payment of entry fees during the specified payment period. Successful applicants who fail to pay the required fees within the specified payment period will be regarded as waiving their rights. The unfilled places will be allocated to the applicants on the waiting list. Enrolment on a first-come-first-served basis will be accepted during the specified payment period for the applicants on the waiting list.

**Payment Period for the
Successful Applicants
17 – 24 September 2012**

**Payment Period for the
Applicants on the Waiting List
26 – 28 September 2012**

- (6) If there are still unfilled places in individual divisions after the payment period for the applicants on the waiting list, or the number of submitted applications is less than the regular quota, the remaining quota will be open to the public for enrolment during the following period at DLSOs on a first-come-first-served basis.

**Open Enrolment Period
for Remaining Quota
4 – 5 October 2012**

- (7) For participants in doubles events, both players in a team shall pay the entry fees, or else the team will be regarded as waiving their rights of participation.

16. Remarks : If there is any inadequacy in this prospectus, the LCSD reserves the right for appropriate amendments.
17. Postponement : If Pre-No.8 special announcement (an advance notice to the public issued by the Observatory when the tropical cyclone warning signal No. 8 is expected within two hours) is issued before the reporting time of first match scheduled to be held on the event day or Tropical Cyclone Warning No.8 or above or a Black Rainstorm Signal is issued two hours before the reporting time of first match scheduled to be held on the event day, all matches on that day will be cancelled and re-scheduled. Participants will be notified of the details in due course.
18. Enquiries : LCSD 24-hour Customer Hotline: 2414 5555
Major Events Section of the LCSD: 2601 7672
Office hours: Monday to Friday: 8:45 am to 6:00 pm
(Lunch Break: 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm)
(Closed on Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays)

** The Chinese version of this prospectus and the application form is available upon request at the above offices or can be downloaded from the LCSD Masters Games webpage.

本章程和報名表另備有中文版。如有需要，可向上述辦事處的職員索取，或從康文署先進運動會網頁下載。