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Leisure and Cultural
Services Department

Masters Games 2014 - Badminton Competition

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1. Purpose : To provide an opportunity to people aged 35 or above to participate in badminton competition and compete against people of similar age, so to enjoy the fun brought by sports and sustain their interest in sports activities.
2. Date & Time : 18, 19, 26 October & 16, 30 November 2014 (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. Participant's age is calculated against the first day on which the event commences (i.e. those who were born on or before 18 October 1979 are eligible to participate in the competition).

5. Division & Quota :

Activity No.	Event	Division	Age	Quota
4035 9436	Singles	Men's A Grade	60 or above	16 players
4035 9437		Men's B Grade	55 – 59	32 players
4035 9438		Men's C Grade	50 – 54	64 players
4035 9439		Men's D Grade	45 – 49	64 players
4035 9440		Men's E Grade	40 – 44	48 players
4035 9441		Men's F Grade	35 – 39	48 players
4035 9442		Women's A Grade	55 or above	8 players
4035 9443		Women's B Grade	50 – 54	16 players
4035 9444		Women's C Grade	45 – 49	32 players
4035 9445		Women's D Grade	40 – 44	32 players
4035 9446		Women's E Grade	35 – 39	16 players
4035 9447		Doubles	Men's A Grade	55 or above
4035 9448	Men's B Grade		50 or above	32 teams
4035 9449	Men's C Grade		45 or above	32 teams
4035 9450	Men's D Grade		40 or above	32 teams
4035 9451	Men's E Grade		35 or above	32 teams
4035 9452	Women's A Grade		50 or above	16 teams
4035 9453	Women's B Grade		45 or above	16 teams
4035 9454	Women's C Grade		40 or above	32 teams
4035 9455	Women's D Grade		35 or above	16 teams
4035 9456	Mixed A Grade		50 or above	16 teams
4035 9457	Mixed B Grade		45 or above	16 teams
4035 9458	Mixed C Grade		40 or above	16 teams
4035 9459	Mixed D Grade		35 or above	8 teams

- Notes to Applicants : (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 applicant may enrol in a **maximum of one singles event and one doubles event** and pay the enrolment fee once. To facilitate the ballot arrangement, the applicant should submit separate enrolment forms for singles and doubles events with declarations.
- (3) Each applicant should submit only one enrolment form for singles and doubles event. In case of multiple submissions or has submitted an incomplete enrolment form, all enrolment forms submitted by the applicant will not be entertained.
- (4) For better resource utilisation, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) reserves the right to adjust the quota for each division with reference to the enrolment response. The applicants/participants should have no objection.
- (5) For participants entering the doubles event, the division they enter shall be the one to which their youngest team member belongs. Enrolment in division of younger age is not allowed.
- (6) If there are less than two participants/teams for a particular division, the LCSD reserves the right to combine it with a division of younger age or cancel all events in that division.
6. Enrolment Fee : \$20 per person, \$40 per team for double event (pay once if already enrol in single event) (those aged 60 or above, full-time students and persons with disabilities can enjoy a 50% off concessionary rate upon production of valid identity document(s) during payment). Each applicant should pay the fee according to his/her age on the first day (**18 October 2014**) of the competition.
7. Format : (1) Single knock-out system will be adopted.
- (2) Rally point scoring system will be adopted. Each game carries 21 points. All games will adopt “the best of three” system.
8. Regulations : (1) If only one participant/team shows up on the competition day, the player/team will still be given the respective award.
- (2) Unless otherwise specified in the prospectus, the competition will adopt the regulations approved by the Hong Kong Badminton Association.
9. Marshal : (1) Participants should pay attention to the announcements of the Organiser and report to the Organiser and take part in the competitions on time. Otherwise, they will be deemed to have forfeited the right to compete.
- (2) Participants shall arrive at the competition venue at the scheduled time and report to the LCSD staff in person with their original copy of identity documents used for enrolment (Hong Kong residents should produce their Hong Kong Identity Cards. Persons without Hong Kong Identity Cards should produce their valid travel documents such as Passports, Exit-Entry Permits for Travelling to and from Hong Kong and Macao). If the participants fail to produce the above identification document, the LCSD staff reserve the right to disqualify them from the competition. Those who fail to report after 5 minutes of the scheduled time (both players of doubles event shall 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. Those who fail to show up 5 minutes after the judges’ roll call or dispatches not enough players in a doubles event will be deemed to have abandoned their participation right.
- (4) Participants withdraw or fail to complete all matches will be disqualified. Their results and awards attained will be cancelled and the enrolment fee will not be refunded.

10. Fixture Draw : The draw will be held at **7:00 pm on 24 September 2014 (Wed)** 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. Applicants will be notified of the competition schedule, notes to participants and location map of the competition venue in writing by post/fax/e-mail. (If participants do not receive the information before the competition, please contact the LCSD as soon as possible or they may download the information from the LCSD ‘Masters Games’ webpage.)
11. Judges : (1) Players on bye will take turns to serve as judges on the same day in the preliminary rounds and they shall carry out the duties arranged by the LCSD. If no judges can be arranged for the matches, the competitors shall be scored by themselves.
(2) From the Round of 16 onwards, judges will be arranged by the LCSD
12. Appeal : No appeal will be accepted. The judges’ decision on the competition results shall be final.
13. Points to Note : (1) Participants should bring their own rackets while the Organiser will provide shuttlecocks.
(2) Participants should wear sportswear and non-marking sports shoes during the competition.
(3) Owing to the tight schedule, no warm-up session will be arranged by the Organiser.
(4) Participants shall observe all the regulations prescribed by the Organiser and the sports centre.
14. Awards : A medal will be awarded to the champion, first, second and third runners-up of each division.
15. Prospectuses & Enrolment Forms Available at/on : (1) District Leisure Services Offices (DLSOs) of the LCSD;
(2) Any Recreation and Sports Venues with Leisure Link Services; or
(3) ‘Masters Games’ website:
www.lcsd.gov.hk/me/mastersgames/en/prospectus.php
16. Enrolment Period : **21 – 30 July 2014**
17. Enrolment Method : (1) Completed application forms should be submitted during the enrolment 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 Recreation and Sports Venues with Leisure Link Services; or
b) By post to: (the date of postage chop is regarded as receipt date)
Major Events Section, LCSD
2/F, Leisure and Cultural Services Headquarters
1-3 Pai Tau Street, Sha Tin, New Territories.
“Masters Games 2014 – Badminton Competition” ; or
c) Submission of enrolment forms via the Internet.
(2) If any division is over-subscribed, applicants will be selected by ballot. The ballot will be held **at 11:00 am on 14 August 2014 (Thu)** at 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 balloting result will be announced at the DLSOs, any Recreation and Sports Venues with Leisure Link Services and on the LCSD 'Masters Games' webpage on **20 August 2014**. Both the successful and waiting list applicants will be notified in writing after the ballot (no priority number will be assigned to applicants on the waiting list). Please note that unsuccessful applicants will not be informed separately. LCSD should not be responsible for the postage delay due to the incorrect or incomplete correspondence address provided by the applicant.
- (4) Successful applicants shall bring along their notification letter, identification document (originals or copies) and enrolment fee to the DLSOs (during office hours) or any Recreation and Sports Venues with Leisure Link Services for verification of their personal particulars and payment of enrolment fee during the specified payment period. Successful applicants who do not complete the payment procedure within the payment period will be deemed to have abandoned their participation right. Unfilled places, if any, will be filled by waiting list applicants on a first-come-first-served basis during the specified payment period.

**Date for Payment
by Successful Applicants**

25 August – 1 September 2014

**Date for Payment
by Waiting List Applicants**

3 – 5 September 2014

- (5) If there are remaining places after the deadline for payment by waiting list applicants, or if the competition is under-subscribed, the LCSD will arrange open enrolment on a first-come-first-served basis from **15 September 2014 (starting from 8:30 am) to 16 September 2014** at all DLSOs.
- (6) For participants in doubles events, both players in a team shall pay the enrolment fee, or else the team will be deemed to have abandoned their participation right.

18. Inclement Weather Arrangement : Should 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), tropical cyclone warning signal No. 8 or above or black rainstorm warning signal is in force 2 hours before the reporting time for preliminary round of the competition, all games on that day will be cancelled. The Organiser will notify the participants of the corresponding arrangement in due course.

19. Supplementary Regulations : (1) The schedule for each division and events on the event day(s) should follow the on-the-spot announcements.
 (2) If any participant(s) is/are found to be impostors or having violated the rules or engaged in improper conduct that affects the competition results, the Organiser will have the right to order him/her/them to withdraw from the competition and his/her/their result(s) in the competition will be cancelled. Enrolment fee will not be refunded.
 (3) The LCSD has the right to release the result of competition to the public.
 (4) In addition to the rules and remarks stated in this prospectus, participants should also follow all the rules in the Notes to Participant attached.

20. Enquiries : LCSD 24-hour Customer Hotline: 2414 5555
 Major Events Section of the LCSD: 2601 7672
 Office hours: Monday to Friday: 8:45am to 6:00 pm
 (lunch break: 1 pm to 2 pm)
 (closed on Saturday, Sunday and general holidays)

LCSD reserves the right to amend it at any time without giving any prior notice.