

**TABLE TENNIS REGULATIONS**

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**1. Organization**

- a. The Table Tennis Committee of the 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah will be responsible for the Table Tennis competitions of the 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah.
- b. The composition of the Table Tennis Committee **during the games** will be as follows: The Observer (Chairman), The Referee, a representative from the Israel Tennis Table Association and 2 representatives from the participant countries that will be elected in the Technical Meeting that will be held just before the beginning of the competition.
- c. The Table Tennis competitions will be conducted in accordance with the current Laws of Table Tennis and the Regulations for International competitions, which is published by the ITTF.
- d. Participation in the competition is open to any athlete who is in possession of a Participant Card, issued by the Organizing Committee of the 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah and registered the Table Tennis competitions.

**2. Entry**

- a. Each participating country may enter **up to** five men players and five women players for Open events, five boys players and five girls players for Juniors (1991-1994) events and five men players (40+) for Masters events.
- b. A country wishing to enter players, shall list its nominated players in a descending order of strength (the best -#1, and so on) in Entry Form No.3.

**3. Venues and times**

- a. The Table Tennis Committee of the 18th Maccabiah will determine the venues and times of the Table Tennis competitions and teams will be notified accordingly.
- b. The Table Tennis Committee is authorized to change the venues and times of the competitions. These decisions will be final.
- c. Schedule:  
The number of competition days and the exact schedule for each day will be created and published separately. The schedule will be prepared based on the number of participants and the number of tables that will be available in the playing hall.

**4. Draw**

- a. The Draw for the team events will be done by the Referee, under the supervision of the observer just before the beginning of the competition. The place and time will be finalized and published towards the start of the 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah.
- b. The draw for the individual events will be done at the end of the Team events.

**5. Equipment**

- a. Tables: Type and color will be finalized towards the start of the 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah.
- b. Nets: Type and color will be finalized towards the start of the 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah.
- c. Balls: Type and color will be finalized towards the start of the 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah.
- d. All rackets covering must be of a type currently authorized by the ITTF.
- e. The Table Tennis Committee is authorized to change the type of equipment if necessary and its decision will be final.

## 6. **Events**

### **Team events:**

- Event 1: Men's Team
- Event 2: Women's Team
- Event 3: Junior-boys Team
- Event 4: Junior-girls Team
- Event 5: Masters Team (40+)

### **Individual events:**

- Event 1: Men's Singles
- Event 2: Women's Singles
- Event 3: Men's Masters Singles (40+)
- Event 4: Junior-boys' Singles
- Event 5: Junior-girls' Singles
- Event 6: Men's Doubles
- Event 7: Women's Doubles
- Event 8: Mixed Doubles
- Event 9: Men's Masters Doubles (40+)
- Event 10: Junior-boys' Doubles
- Event 11: Junior-girls' Doubles
- Event 12: Junior Mixed Doubles

A Consolation event will be held for the losers in the first and second rounds of the singles events (Individual Events 1-5). This Consolation event will be held only if there are at least 16 players in the first round of the event.

There will be no draw for the Consolation event. The draw will be determined from the main event according to the "Double knock-out" system.

**The consolation events will not be part of the official Maccabiah events.**

## 7. **Eligibility**

- a. Each player is entitled to play only in **one team event**.
- b. According to his team event, each player is entitled to play in the individual events that are parallel to that team event according to his/her age (athlete playing in Juniors Team event may participate only in Juniors Single, Doubles or Mixed doubles events).
- c. In double events, a pair can be comprised of two players from different countries.

## 8. **System of Play**

- a. **Team Events** will be played on a combined system of groups and knock-out basis.  
Only the Men's team event will be played according to the following systems:  
Best of 5 matches (5 singles)  
A team shall consist of 3 players.  
The order of play shall be A v X, B v Y, C v Z. A v Y, B v X.
- b. All other Team events will be played according to the following system:  
Best of 5 matches (4 singles and 1 doubles)  
A team shall consist of 2, 3, or 4 players.  
The order of play shall be A v X, B v Y, a doubles, A v Y, B v X.
- c. In a Team event with more than 5 teams, they will be divided into groups;

Each group must have at least 3 teams and it is recommended not to have more than 5 teams.

- d. The team finished 1<sup>st</sup> in that event in the 17<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah will be ranked No.1.  
The team finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in that event in the 17<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah will be ranked No.2.  
The team finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in that event in the 17<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah will be ranked No.3.  
The team finished 4<sup>th</sup> in that event in the 17<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah will be ranked No.4.

REMARK: In the event that one of the above mentioned teams would not participate in the 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah, the next team in line from the 17<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah will be ranked accordingly.

- e. If a team consists of at least one world ranked player, it can become ranked.
- f. The **First Stage** in the team event will be a Groups Competition.
- g. The System of play in the groups will be a Round Robin System.
- h. Positions in the Groups competitions will be calculated according to the International Table Tennis Regulations No. 3.7.5.1 to 3.7.5.4.
- i. In case of more than 1 Group in the Team event there will be a **Second Stage**.
- j. **The Second** (and final) **Stage** will be played on a knockout basis.
- k. All the teams qualified in places 1-2 in their groups will play for 1-2X places (where X is the number of groups in the **First Stage**), 3-4 places teams will play for places 2X + 1 – 4X and so on.
- l. The knockout draw for the Second Stage will be done during the draw for the **First Stage** and will be based on the number of groups and the number of participants in each group
- m. Individual events will be played on a knockout basis.

**Only the men's singles event and women's singles event will be played in best of seven games.**

**All other individual events will be played in best of five games.**

**All Consolation events will be played in best of five games.**

- n. The draw for the individual events will be based on seeding by ranking (current world ranking list) and seeding by countries nomination.
- o. Except of these two, the draw will be random.
- p. 5 players may represent each country at the most in each event other than mixed doubles events in which 10 players (5 male and 5 female) can represent a country.
- q. In all events there will be a match for the third place.
- r. All decisions regarding the ranking of the teams or players are under the Referee's jurisdiction and all his decisions on this matter will be final.

## **9. Appeals**

All appeals will be managed according to Regulations No. 3.3.3.1 to 3.3.3.7 from the Regulations for International competitions.

## **10. Referees**

The Table Tennis Organizing Committee will appoint the referees of the competition.

## **11. General**

- a. These regulations are but one part of the complete 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah Regulations, and must be read along with the instructions found in "Basic Regulations and Disciplinary Procedures".
- b. In the event of a discrepancy between the regulations written here and those appearing in the "Basic Regulations", the regulations written here will apply and be binding.