



XIII PAN-AMERICAN MACCABI GAMES – CHILE 2015
TECHNICAL REGULATIONS
TENNIS

1. ORGANIZATION

- 1.1 The Sports Committee is responsible for the Tennis competitions of the XIII JPM Chile 2015.
- 1.2 Tennis competitions will be held according to the regulations of the International Tennis Federation (FIT) and supervised by the Chilean Tennis Federation.
- 1.3 Participation in the competitions is open to any athlete who is in possession of an official badge issued by the Organizing Committee of the XIII JPM Chile 2015. All participants must be identified before the game and be registered at the control table or with the General Referee.
- 1.4 Tennis competitions schedule will be determined by the Sports Committee and delegations and participants will be duly and promptly notified. The Sports Committee is authorized to modify the schedule and its decisions are final. All participants must register before the General Referee before any match.

2. VENUE AND SCHEDULE.

- 2.1 The Tennis competitions will be held at the EIM courts, on a clay surface.
- 2.2 Tennis schedules will be determined by the Sports Committee and delegations and participants will be duly notified. The Sports Committee is authorized to modify the schedule and their decisions are final.
- 2.3 The "Order of Play" of each day will be published at the end of the previous day. Participants must be available to play at any time



according to the Order of Play, throughout the competition. There will be no exception to this rule. Punctuality or failure to submit to a party is strictly regulated by the forms of FIT.

- 2.4 The availability of fields for practice or training will be assigned by the Sports Committee according to availability and schedules.

3. CATEGORIES AND REGISTRATION

- 3.1 The categories for Tennis participants at the XIII JPM Chile 2015 shall be those contained in the General Regulations, with the following particulars:
- 3.1.1 Master A: 35 to 39 years old.
 - 3.1.2 Master B: 40 to 44 years old
 - 3.1.3 Master C: 45 to 49 years old
 - 3.1.4 Master D: 50 to 54 years old
 - 3.1.5 Master E: 55 to 59 years old
 - 3.1.6 Master F: 60 to 64 years old
 - 3.1.7 Master G: 65 to 69 years old
 - 3.1.8 Master H: over 70 years old
- 3.2 The Sports Committee shall have the authority to merge two masters' sub-categories in one sub-category, if the number of participants registered in any of them is less than 3 in singles or less than 4 couples from at least 3 participant countries in doubles and mixed doubles. In this case, the number of registered athletes shall be maintained, and more than 6 players per country may compete in one sub-category.
- 3.3 Each country may enter up to 6 players per category and gender. These players may participate in the singles, doubles, mixed doubles and country competitions. In addition, each country may enter up to six (6) pairs of doubles by category and gender.
- 3.4 Participants in the masters' categories - men or ladies - will be allowed to play in a younger category, but they can only participate in that category throughout the tournament. However it will be permitted that a Master athlete plays in singles and in doubles in different age categories, as long as, in the latter case is a younger category.



- 3.5 An individual Junior or Youth athlete may play in the Open category, but then he/she can only participate in that category throughout the tournament. It is accepted that an athlete plays singles and doubles in different age categories, as long as he/she can play in both according to his/her age.

4. DRAWS AND SEEDING

- 4.1 The competition draws will be arranged by the Sports Committee during or prior to the Technical Meeting.
- 4.2 For all categories the seeding criteria will be ATP or WTA ranking, then FIT ranking, then national ranking, and finally Maccabiah results or medals in Pan American Maccabi Games. All participants with ranking or medals that may allow them to be seeded should provide this information. Information submitted after due date shall not be taken into account.
- 4.3 Once the seeding is complete, seeded players from the same country will be placed as follows: the first two in separate quarter brackets, the following 4 in separate eighth brackets. Unseeded players will be placed in the empty spaces.

5. COMPETITION SYSTEM

- 5.1 Singles:
- 5.1.1 All categories will be played in a double elimination, which includes the main draw and a playoff, ensuring a minimum of 2 singles matches to each athlete.
- 5.1.2 Only athletes who are eliminated in the first round will move on to play the playoffs.
- 5.1.3 Two bronze medals will be awarded; one for the winner of the playoffs, and one for the winner of the match of athletes eliminated in the semifinals of the main draw.
- 5.1.4 The main draw will be played to the best of 3 sets all with tie break.



- 5.1.5 The playoffs will be played to one set of 8 games with a Tie Break. The final of the playoffs will be played to the best of 3 sets with Tie break.
- 5.1.6 The Sports Committee reserves the right to decide whether, in a specific category, a Round Robin system will be used instead of the double elimination, depending on the number of registered players, with the aim of improving the experience of all participants.
- 5.2 Doubles and Mixed Doubles:
 - 5.2.1 All athletes can register to participate in the competitions of doubles and mixed doubles. Registrations will be accepted until 14:00 on the first day of competition, with the General Referee.
 - 5.2.2 Registration will be accepted for couples with participants from different countries. In the event that couple won a medal, it will be credited to the two countries that compose it.
 - 5.2.3 The doubles matches will be played at 2 sets with tie break and in case of tie a Super Tie Break 10 points will decide the match.
- 5.3 Players who register for two or three events may play up to three games per day.
- 5.4 Only in the case of Doubles and Mixed Doubles, provided they have not officially started the competitions, if a player due to proven illness or injury cannot participate in the competition, it may designate a substitute player, duly registered as an athlete, within the terms established by the Organizing Committee.
- 5.5 If a player or couple of players were left out of the draw by error, they will be added to the draw facing a player who is "bye". If no player / team will be "bye", then said athlete or couple will face an unseeded player/couple from a different country.

6. SPECIFIC RULES

- 6.1 Competition will be held using balls approved by the Chilean Tennis Federation. The Sports Committee is authorized to modify the type or brand of balls if necessary and their decisions are final. A new can of



3 balls will be used in every singles doubles and mixed doubles games, except for playoffs.

- 6.2 Athletes can call the physiotherapist during the changeover and use the time allotted to it (1 minute and a half), and may also request, once during each match, extra time for therapy (3 additional minutes).

7. REFEREES

- 7.1 The Sports Committee shall delegate to the Santiago Tennis Association the designation of the Referees, judges and technical staff. All games will be directed by first Category Chilean referees or by foreign judges with a similar quality.
- 7.2 No referee or judge may be challenged by any participating country.
- 7.3 The Sports Committee and the General Referee shall determine the schedules of competition, after making the draws. The referees shall have the final decision on any schedule changes.

8. GENERAL

- 8.1 These Technical Regulations are part of the General Regulations of the XIII JPM Chile 2015 and should be read with the instructions contained in the regulations of each sport.
- 8.2 In the event of discrepancies between the rules here written and those that appear in the General Regulations, these written provisions shall prevail.
- 8.3 The Organizing Committee of the XIII JPM Chile 2015, through its Sports Committee, is authorized to make changes or modifications it deems appropriate in the present Technical Regulations.
- 8.4 Cases not specified in these Technical Regulations, shall be decided by the Organizing Committee of the XIII JPM Chile 2015, through its Sports Committee.