

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Futsal Games shall be governed by the General Rules and Regulations of National Deaf Games.
- 1.2 The tournament shall be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Federation International Football Association (FIFA) and with the integration of certain modification on technical rules in compliance with the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf (ICSD).

2 ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 This Games is open to Singaporeans, Permanent Residents and Foreigners who are working in Singapore. All the requirements shall follow the General Rules and Regulations.
- 2.2 Participant
- 2.2.1 A person must be a Deaf or Hard of Hearing.
- 2.2.2 A team is allowed to register a non-deaf participant who must be as follows:
- i) a child of Deaf Adult
 - ii) a parent of Deaf person
 - iii) a sibling of Deaf person
 - iv) a spouse of Deaf person
- 2.2.3 A team shall play with **one non-deaf participant** on the futsal court during the play.

3 FORMAT OF THE GAMES

3.1 EVENTS

Male Open - 8 teams
Female Open - 8 teams

- 3.1.1 The teams participating in the Male Open event shall be divided into two (2) groups of four (4) teams each for the competition. A draw will be conducted for the purpose of determining the placement of the teams in the groups.
- 3.1.2 The teams participating in the Female Open event shall be divided into two (2) groups of four (4) teams each for the competition. A draw will be conducted for the purpose of determining the placement of the teams in the groups.
- 3.1.3 If the number of entries received is less than 8, the teams shall be played in one (1) group.

3.2 TYPE OF GROUND

The futsal pitch is either a hard floor or artificial turf.

3.3 TEAMS

3.3.1 Each team must register a maximum of EIGHT (8) players.

3.3.2 Each team shall field FIVE (5) players, one of whom must be a goalkeeper.

3.3.3 Each team is allowed to register up to THREE (3) substitutes.

3.3.4 The number of substitutes made during the match is unlimited. A player who has been replaced may return to the pitch as a substitute for another player.

3.3.5 Team who fail to have the minimum number of five players by the time of match commencement shall be automatically disqualified from the Games.

3.4 MATCHES

3.4.1 All matches in all categories will be played on a round robin system.

3.4.2 Teams will be awarded three (3) points for a win, one (1) point for a draw and zero (0) points for a lose.

3.4.3 The team that is awarded a walkover gets three points with the score results (3 – 0).

3.4.5 Upon completion of all their matches, the teams will be ranked according to the number of points accumulated and number of goals scored.

3.4.6 In the event of a tie in points, the ranking team shall be determined as follows:

a) the team with a greater number of goals scored will be ranked higher, followed by the least number of goals conceded and then goal difference.

b) If a tie still persists, the results of the earlier match played between the two teams will determine their ranking failing which sudden death kicks will be taken to decide a winner.

3.5 CAUTIONS AND EXPLUSIONS

3.5.1 A yellow card will be awarded to the player for a foul committed during the game.

3.5.2 Any player getting red card will be expelled from the whole tournament.

3.5.3 The Organising Committee shall deliberate on any other matters not covered in the above and its resulting decision shall be final. No further correspondences will be entertained.

4 WALKOVER

- 4.1 Team(s) shall concede a walkover or be disqualified from the Games. If one or both teams turn up with less than five players including the goalkeeper.
- 4.2 Team(s) shall concede a walkover or be disqualified from the Games. If one or both teams fail to turn up and be ready at the Futsal court ten minutes after the scheduled time of play.
- 4.3 Team(s) may be disqualified in the events of submitting ineligible players or unruly conduct of team players.

5 PROPER ATTIRE

- 5.1 All players shall be in proper attire which shall be in same color with the number printed on the back. The use of shin-pads is compulsory.
- 5.2 All players shall wear the proper footwear (e.g canvas or leather). The type of ground is a hard floor.
- 5.3 In the event of a clash in colors, the first named team must change to a different color.
- 5.4 The Organisers reserves the right to disqualify team players at its discretion.

6 HEARING AIDS

- 6.1 The use of any hearing aid(s) / amplification or external cochlear implant parts are not permitted within the restricted zone area.
- 6.2 The restricted zone area is in effect from the time athletes enter the badminton court during the warm-up and competition period.

7 PROTEST

- 7.1 Protests with regard to the rule of play must be made in writing together with the protest fee of **SGD50.00** and submit to the Organising Committee by the end of match together with the protest fee. In the event of the protest being dismissed, the fee will be forfeited.

8 TECHNICAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 8.1 All matches are sanctioned by Football Association of Singapore.
- 8.2 All players must not wear the hearing aid or cochlear aid during the match.
- 8.3 The referee will use the flag system. The whistle will not be used.
- 8.4 The duration for the tournament is as the following:

Group Stage

- Male Open - 16 minutes (8 minutes per half, no time interval)
- Female Open - 16 minutes (8 minutes per half, no time interval)

Semi-Final / 3rd & 4th Placing

Male Open – 16 minutes (8 minutes per half, no time interval)

Final

Male Open – 20 minutes (10 minutes per half, 2 minutes interval)

- 8.5 The Rules and Regulations as depicted above are current at the time of printing. The Organising Committee reserves the right to add, delete and/or vary the said Rules and Regulations at any time as it deems fit.

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