



GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1 Rules

- 1.1 Tournaments are administered in accordance with the **Rules and Regulations of National Deaf Games**.
- 1.2 In accordance with the rules and regulations of the governing bodies of the international sports federations, certain adaptations will be made to technical rules in accordance with the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf (ICSD).
- 1.3 The National Deaf Games are solely organised by the Deaf Sports Association (Singapore).
- 1.4 In order to participate, participants must be Deaf or Hard of Hearing, defined as having a hearing loss of at least 30 ~ 55 dB tone in the better ear.

2 Eligibility

- 2.1 The National Deaf Games are open to everyone including the following circumstances:

a) Deaf	D
b) Hard of Hearing	HH
c) Child of a Deaf Adult	CODA
d) Parent of a Deaf Child	PODC
e) Sibling of a Deaf Adult/Child	SODAC
f) Spouse of a Deaf Adult	SpODA
g) Deaf foreigner not permanent resident	DF
h) Hearing individuals (able-bodied)	H
i) Anyone under para sports	P
- 2.2 The age limit for Under-18 events is between 15 and 17 years old. Age restrictions do not apply to Open events.
- 2.3 DSA membership is restricted to Singaporeans and Permanent Residents.
- 2.4 Deaf foreigners working or studying in Singapore who are not permanent residents may qualify for member's rates. However, they are not eligible for prizes. To qualify for prizes, they must register for events at the non-member rate.
- 2.5 Here is the competition format to allow members to play with their family members and friends:

Events	Singles	Doubles / Mixed Doubles
Badminton	D	D + D
	HH	D + HH
	DF	HH + HH
	CODA	D + DF
	PODA	DF + DF/HH
	SODAC	DF + P/H
	SpODA	D + Family Member *
	H	D + P/H
	P	H + P
		H + H
	P + P	

* Family Member = CODA, PODC, SODAC, SpODA

Events	Individual (Solo)	Team of 2 (Mixed Doubles)
Orienteering	D	D + D
	HH	D + HH
	DF	D + DF
	CODA	DF + DF/HH
	PODA	DF + P/H
	SODAC	D + Family Member *
	SpODA	D + P/H
	H	H + P
	P	H + H
		P + P

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Events	Men/Women Open (Deaf/HH)	Men/Women All-Open
Bowling	D	D
	HH	HH
	DF	DF
		CODA
		PODC
		SODAC
		SpODA
		H
		P

Events	Men (Deaf/HH)	Men Open	Women Open
Futsal	D	D	D
	HH	HH	HH
	DF	DF	DF
	Family Member*	H	H
	not more than 3	P	P
		Family Member*	Family Member*
Note: There should be no more than 10 Deaf/Hard of Hearing players on the team (5 outfield players and 5 reserve players).			

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3 Sports Attire & equipment

- 3.1 Participants are required to wear the proper sports apparel and bring their own equipment.

4 Hearing-Aid & Cochlear Implant

- 4.1 The use of hearing aids or cochlear implant aids is strictly prohibited during the Games.
- 4.2 All clubs, organisations, and schools that register their members for the Games must have their own volunteer to help them out.

5 First Aid and Medical Coverage

- 5.1 Participants are responsible for bringing their own first aid kits and medical precautions to ensure their safety.
- 5.2 If a participant becomes ill on the day of the event, he/she must provide a medical certificate (on the day or before the event) and may receive a refund.
- 5.3 Participants under the age of 18 must obtain a parent's or guardian's consent to participate.
- 5.4 Before competing, participants are advised to consult a doctor about their health and fitness.
- 5.5 The Organiser reserves the right to revoke registrations of any team or participant, at their discretion.

6 Disqualification

- 6.1 Team/individual participants may be disqualified if they submit ineligible participants or engage in unruly behaviour.
- 6.2 Organisers reserve the right to disqualify teams/participants at their sole discretion and bring further discipline. This could include a ban or removal from the National Deaf Games by the Organising Committee.

7 Disclaimer

- 7.1 In no event will the Organisers be liable for the death, injury, bodily harm, loss, or damage to property of any team member or official taking part in the event.
- 7.2 The Organisers reserve the right to limit the number of teams participating. All registrations will be handled on a first-come, first-served basis. Early registration is recommended.
- 7.3 Organisers reserve the right to reject any substitution and disqualify participants and/or teams for unregistered players, unauthorised substitutions, and/or poor sportsmanship.

7.4 Should any question or matter arise that is not expressly addressed in the rules governing this competition, the Organising Committee's decision shall be final.

7.5 As of the time this document was printed, these rules and regulations were current. The Organising Committee reserves the right to add, delete, and/or vary the said Rules and Regulations at any time.

8 Registration and Payment

8.1 Registration and payment will be done online.

8.2 It is the responsibility of the participant to read the rules and regulations before submitting.

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