



Rules & Regulations

Table Tennis

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Foreword

Dear participants of the European Maccabi Games Berlin 2015,

The Rules & Regulations at hand, provide the guidelines of the European Maccabi Games 2015 in Berlin. The Rules & Regulations regulate the execution of the sports competitions.

The Organising Committee and the sports federations, in most cases the Berlin sports federations, execute the competitions at the European Maccabi Games in close cooperation with one another. Insofar, the Rules & Regulations at hand are a joint product of the EMG2015 Organising Committee and the implementing sports federations.

We hope that the Rules & Regulations at hand will be the basis for sportsmanlike and fair sports competitions and an unforgettable European Maccabi Games Berlin 2015.



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1. Organisation

- a. The Table Tennis Committee of the 14th European Maccabi Games will be responsible for the Table Tennis competitions of the 14th European Maccabi Games.
- b. The Table Tennis competitions will be conducted in accordance with the current Laws of Table Tennis and the Rules and Regulations for International competitions, which are published by the ITTF.
- c. Participation in the competition is open to any athlete who is in possession of a Participant Card, issued by the Organising Committee of the 14th European Maccabi Games and has registered to the Table Tennis competitions

2. Venues & Times

- a. The Table Tennis Committee of the 14th European Maccabi Games 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.

3. Teams

3.1 Team Format

Open Male:	3 participants per team (plus reserves), maximum 1 team per country.
Open Female:	2 participants per team (plus reserves), maximum 1 team per country.
Juniors Male:	2 participants per team (plus reserves), maximum 1 team per country.
Juniors Female:	2 participants per team (plus reserves), maximum 1 team per country.
Masters Male:	3 participants per team (plus reserves), maximum 1 team per country.
Masters Female:	2 participants per team (plus reserves), maximum 1 team per country.

- a. Each participating country may enter up to six players for Juniors Male and Female events (1.1.1997-31.12.2000), each six players and six players for Open

- Male and Open Female events, and each six players for Masters Master Male and Masters Female (40+, born before 01.01.1976) 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.
 - c. Each player is entitled to play only in one team event.
 - d. Each player is only entitled to participate in ONE age category (Team, Singles, Doubles and Mixed Doubles).
 - e. In double events, a pair can be comprised of two players from different countries.
 - f. 6 players may represent each country at the most in each event other than Mixed Doubles events in which 12 players (6 male and 6 female) can represent a country.
 - g. The Table Tennis Committee is authorized to combine age-groups, male and female in one competition if there are not enough sign-ups.

4. System of Competition

4.1 Events

Individual events:

- Event 1: Open Male Single
- Event 2: Open Female Single
- Event 3: Masters Single (Male & Female)
- Event 4: Juniors Male Single
- Event 5: Juniors Female Single
- Event 6: Open Male Double
- Event 7: Open Female Double
- Event 8: Open Mixed Double
- Event 9: Masters Double (Male & Female)
- Event 10: Masters Mixed Double
- Event 11: Juniors Male Double
- Event 12: Juniors Female Double
- Event 13: Juniors Mixed Double

Team events:

- Event 1: Open Male Team
- Event 2: Open Female Team
- Event 3: Juniors Male Team
- Event 4: Juniors Female Team
- Event 5: Masters Team (40+, Male & Female)

REMARK: The Organizing Committee reserves the right to cancel events in case of not enough sign ups according to the Basic Rules and Regulations.

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. Team events will be played on a combined system of groups and knock-out basis.

Open Male and Masters Male Team events will be played according to the following system:

- a. Team events will be played on a combined system of groups and knock-out basis. Open Male and Masters Male Team events will be played according to the following system:
 - 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 Double)
 - A team shall consist of 2, 3, or 4 players. In each match out of the maximum registered players, only two can play.
 - The order of play shall be A v X, B v Y, a Double, 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 1st in that event in the 13th European Maccabi Games will be ranked No.1. The team finished 2nd in that event in the 13th European Maccabi Games will be ranked No.2. The team finished 3rd in that event in the 13th European Maccabi Games will be ranked No.3. The hosting country will be ranked No.4.

REMARK: In the event that one of the above mentioned teams would not participate in the 14th European Maccabi Games, the next team in line from the 13th European Maccabi Games will be ranked accordingly.

- e. The First Stage in the team event will be a Groups Competition.
- f. The System of play in the groups will be a Round Robin System.
- g. 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.
- h. In case of more than 1 Group in the Team event there will be a Second Stage.
- i. The Second (and final) Stage will be played on a knockout basis.
- j. The teams ranked on position 1 and 2 in each group will qualify for the second stage. The number of teams in the second stage is the number of groups x 2.
- k. Individual events will be played on a knockout basis. Only the Open Male Single Semifinals, Open Male Single Final, Open Female Single Semifinals and Open Female Single Final event will be played in best of seven games. All other Individual and Double events will be played in best of five games.
- l. All Consolation events will be played in best of five games.
- m. In all events there will be a match for the third place.
- n. In case the numbers don't allow a knock-out system, competition will be played in Round Robin System

- o. 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.

5. Ball Specifications & Equipment

- a. Tables: Type and color will be finalized towards the start of the 14th European Maccabi Games.
- b. Nets: Type and color will be finalized towards the start of the 14th European Maccabi Games.
- c. The Ball will be the Andro Speedball *** Mi1 40+ (plastic)
- 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. Draw

- a. The draw will be a public draw before the opening of the 14th European Maccabi Games.
- c. The knockout draw for the Second Stage will be done after the First stage. The first and second of the same group will not be drawn in the same half of the further schedule.
- d. The draw for the Individual events will be based on seeding by ranking (current world ranking list) and seeding by countries nomination.
- e. Except of these two, the draw will be random.

7. Officiating

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

8. General

- a. These regulations are but one part of the complete 14th European Maccabi Games 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.