



2023 Macau Tennis Team Competition

Rules and Regulations

1. Organizer

Macau Tennis Association

2. Groups and Events

2.1 U12 Junior Team Competition (**born between 2011-2013**)

Singles (Mixed-Gender)- higher rank

Singles (Mixed-Gender)- lower rank

Doubles (Mixed Gender)- no restriction

2.2 Open Team Competition (**born in or before 2010**)

Doubles (Mixed-Gender)

Singles (Mixed-Gender)

Mixed Doubles (One male with one female)

2.3 Senior Team Competition (**Male born in or before 1978, Female born in or before 1988**)

Doubles (Mixed-Gender)

Doubles (Mixed-Gender)

Mixed Doubles (One male with one female)

3. Eligibility

3.1 Holders of Macau resident ID card or Other legal residence certificates in Macau may participate

3.2 Each player can participate in at most one group and event and join only one team

3.3 In the U12 Junior Team Competition, each player can play in at most two matches in each team match. (A team match is when two teams send out players to play three matches)

3.4 In the Open and Senior Team Competition, each player can play in at most one match in each team match (A team match is when two teams send out players to play three matches)

3.5 In the U12 Junior Team Competition, players must be of age between 10-12 years (**born between 2011-2013**) to participate. Each team must consists of at least three players and at most four players (not including team captain and coach). Name and phone number of a guardian is required.



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- 3.6 In the Open Team Competition, each player must be at or above 13 years of age. **(born in or before 2010)** Including a team captain and a coach, each team must consist of at least five and at most ten members. Team captain and coach can play matches as a player.
- 3.7 In the Senior Team Competition, each male player must be at or above 45 years of age **(born in or before 1978)**; each female player must be at or above 35 years of age **(born in or before 1988)**. Including a team captain and a coach, each team must consist of at least six and at most twelve members. Team captain and coach can play matches as a player.

4. Registration Procedure and Date

- 4.1 Registration method: To register please fill in a registration form in print writing and submit photo copies of identity documents mentioned in 3.1 of all team players, team captain and coach to the registration site written below. Once the form is submitted the team composition cannot be changed.
- 4.2 Registration date: from today to 18 August 2023 19:00
- 4.3 Entry list announcement date: after 19 August 2023 19:00
[\(Macau tennis association website\)](#)
- 4.4 Registration site: Macau Cotai Bowling Centre – Macau Tennis Association Office
(Monday-Friday: 15:00-19:00)

5. Entry Fee

- 5.1 Entry fee to Junior Team Competition is – **(MOP 400.00)**
- 5.2 Entry fee to Open and Senior Team Competition is – **(MOP 1200.00)**.

6. Entry Rejection

- 6.1 Tournament entry registration will be rejected if the player failed to register according to the procedure, date or location referred to in **Article 4**. Registration Procedure and Date, or
- 6.2 failed to submit the photocopies of documents mentioned in **Article 3.1** to the designated registration site before the registration deadline, or
- 6.3 failed to pay for the entry fee referred to in Article 5 before the registration deadline referred to at point 4.2



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- 6.4 Team names must not express explicitly or implicitly anything indecent, derogatory or abusive. The event committee reserve the right to demand a change in team name. Refusal to change the name will result in entry rejection.

7. Tournament date and location

- 7.1 Tournament Date: 27 August 2023 to 3 September 2023
**(All the Team Members please check the Daily schedule one day in advance .
The schedule will be updated to the [\(Macau tennis association website\)](#)**
- 7.2 Tournament time: First match on weekends start at 10:00, whereas first match on weekdays starts at 19:00
- 7.3 Tournament site: Macau Cotai Bowling Center – Macau Tennis Academy

8. Match Rules

Tournament matches follow the latest [“ITF Rules of Tennis”](#)

9. Format of Event

- 9.1 Each team match mentioned at **Article 2** consists of separated matches. Each match is played with one set of six games with “No-Ad” scoring. Following six games all a 7-point tie-break will be played to decide the match.
- 9.2 In U12 Junior Team Competition, matches will be played in the order of singles, singles, doubles All matches follow the “No-let” rule whereby a serve that touches the net is in play
- 9.3 In Open Team Competition, matches will be played in the order of doubles, singles, mixed doubles
- 9.4 In Senior Team Competition, matches will be played in the order of doubles, doubles, mixed doubles
- 9.5 This tournament consists of two stages: Stage 1 : Round-robin stage , Stage 2 : Single-elimination Stage
- 9.5.1 Stage 1: Round-robin stage
- Teams will be allocated into groups
 - All matches in a team match must be played



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- The highest ranked two teams in each group will enter the single-elimination stage
- In each team match the winning team receives 1 point while the losing or retired team receive 0 points
- Each team in a group will be ranked according to the number of points received. If two teams receive the same number of points, the winning team in the two teams' team match will be ranked higher. If three or more teams received the same number of points, the ranking is determined by the following rules:
 - (1) Team with more team matches won ranks higher
 - (2) If two teams have the same number of team matches won, the team with the more matches won ranks higher
 - (3) If two teams have the same number of team matches and matches won, team with more games won ranks higher
 - (4) If two teams have the same number of team matches, matches and games won, then the team with more in-match points (an in-match point is one that starts with a service) won ranks higher.
 - (5) If all of the above rules cannot decide the rank, the rank will be decided by drawing lots

9.5.2 Stage 2: Single-elimination stage

- Team matches in this stage is organised as an single-elimination tournament
- A team win a team match when it wins two matches; the team match ends when a team wins two matches

9.6 In U12 Junior Team Competition players play singles matches according to the “2023 Macau Tennis Junior Ranking”; doubles matches are not subject to this rule. Open and Senior Team Competition are also not subject to this rule.



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- 9.7 A team must send a member to submit a player list of a team match 30 minutes before the team match starts. Player list cannot be changed after submission and confirmation
- 9.8 Each match in a team match must be played according to the player list submitted. Each team must present identification documents of players on the player list to tournament supervisor or affiliated officials; otherwise the player cannot participate in the team match
- 9.9 During a match, coaching to a player is allowed only during change of ends by the coach or team captain of the player's team
- 9.10 To better utilise available time and tennis courts, the event committee maybe schedule more than one team match for a team in a day, and reserves the right to reschedule or change location of team match at discretion
- 9.11 In case the tournament is suspended due to rain or other force majeure factors and is then resumed, the results of previous matches will stay valid. The event committee will make arrangement for the remaining team matches.
- 9.12 In case team matches need to be postponed or rescheduled, we will inform team captains or coaches of affected teams at least 1 hour before start of team match
- 9.13 The following circumstances will be treated as abstention:
- 9.13.1 Being late for more than 15 minutes
 - 9.13.2 Player refuse to participate in a match rescheduled by the event committee
 - 9.13.3 Player unreasonably interrupts a match for more than a specified time
- (Five minutes after the chair umpire starts timing).**

10. Seeding

Seeding will depend on tournament entry list

11. Tournament Draw

- 11.1 Location: Macau Cotai Bowling Center - Macau Tennis Association Office Room B1.003
- 11.2 Drawing time: 21 August 2023 18:00



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12. Awards

Each group and project awards one or two, and the competition committee has the right to change the awards of the participating teams.

13. Tournament Attire

The tournament dress code will follow the latest ITF [“Tennis Competition Clothing Standards”](#). Players who violate the dress code and do not improve immediately upon receiving persuasion from tournament officials will be defaulted.

14. Tournament Tennis Balls

Yellow (Standard) Balls

15. Medical Time Out

Players will not receive “medical time out” for muscle cramps. Players may receive medical treatment only during set breaks. Players with muscle cramps caused by heat stroke may ask for medical time out and may receive a medical time out if the medical condition is then diagnosed by the event supervisor or the referee. If a player has severe muscle cramp, he may give up the scores up until the next change of end or set break and use the break time to receive medical treatment.

16. Authority of Event Committee

Under any circumstances the event committee has the right to make any changes to the tournament rules and schedule, including:

- Deleting a group and event when there are less than 4 teams
- To accept or reject any tournament entry
- To make the final decision on eligibility of each player
- To strictly follow the tournament schedule and refuse any requests for change
- In case of rain or other special circumstances, the event committee has the right to rearrange the tournament schedule
- In case a player fails under no cause of force majeure to participate a scheduled match, the event committee may cancel the player’s eligibility



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17. Event supervisor, referee, and umpires

The event supervisor, referee and umpires will be arranged by the organizer. For the tournament finals the organizer will assign chair umpires. For all other matches there will be umpires roaming around the courts and the matches adopt the “**trust system**” described below.

18. Description and Requirements of the Trust System

- 18.1 Players may only make calls on shots on his/her side of the net
- 18.2 All “out” calls must be made promptly after the ball has bounced and loudly enough for the opponent to hear
- 18.3 When a player responsible for a call is in doubt of whether a ball was out, then the ball should be considered to be good
- 18.4 If a player incorrectly calls a ball “out” and then realises that the ball was good, the point should be replayed, unless it was a point winning shot or unless that player made an incorrect “out” call earlier in the match. In these circumstances, the player who called “out” loses the point.
- 18.5 The server should call the score before each 1st serve, loudly enough for his/her opponent to hear.
- 18.6 If a player does not agree on his/her opponent’s call, he/she may ask a roaming umpire to settle the dispute. If a player does not follow the above procedure in case of a dispute, he/she is considered committing voluntary hindrance and unsportsmanlike behavior and may receive penalties according to rules relevant to match play.

19. Conducts and Discipline

- 19.1 During a match, any behaviors that hinders the match are considered violating the match code of conduct. roaming umpires and the referee have the right to penalize those who behaved in such manner.
- 19.2 This tournament adopts the trust system. All players must strictly adhere to values of integrity, fairness, and sportsmanship. Players should announce score according to the actual state of the match. In case of a dispute, players should promptly report to a roaming umpire; the roaming umpire will make judgement over the dispute. Players should abide by the judgements of roaming umpire.



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19.3 If a player violates the code of conduct, the player may receive point penalty of match, ranking points penalty, and the player may be disqualified from the tournament. If a parent of a player violates the code of conduct, based on severity the player may receive ranking point penalty, and may be disqualified from the tournament Macau Junior Series 2023 Rules and regulations

20. Penalty Guideline When Entourages of a Player Violates The Code of Conduct

No personnel except match players and roaming umpires may enter a tournament court. During any time, especially when players arrive at playing court or during a match, players' coaches, parents, or representatives may not spread words causing negative effects to the organizer, event staff, other players, referee, umpires or the sport of tennis itself. Coaches, parents, and guardians of a player have the right to submit comment and complaint on matters related to other player's tournament eligibility, conducts and discipline and tournament organization, but such submissions must be made to the event committee through official means. Coaching from outside of court is seen as unsportsmanlike hindering behavior. Based on the situation the event committee may give advice, persuasion and restrict a player from playing a match or all matches. In a more severe case, a player will be put in a blacklist which we will notify to other tournament organizers, banning the playing from competing in other national or international tournaments. Since slandering and defamation can cause severe consequences, legal actions might be pursued.

21. Penalties to Rule Violation

Rule violations are penalized according to the latest ["ITF Rules of Tennis"](#)

22. Relevant Responsibilities

22.1 Players are responsible for any health issues, injuries and any consequences suffered in connection to the tournament

22.2 Players should browse information on tournament schedule through the [Macau Tennis Association website](#)



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23. Appeal Procedure

- 23.1 Any appeal for match results must be made within 30 minutes of the end of match to the referee.
- 23.2 In case there is any objections to the judgement of the referee, appeals should be made within 24 hours to the appeal committee.
- 23.3 Appeals to the appeal committee must be submitted in paper signed by the player/player's parent, along with a **(MOP 1200.00)** appeal fee.
- 23.4 If the appeal is successful, the appeal fee will be refunded; otherwise, the appeal fee will not be refunded.
- 23.5 The appellant bears the burden of proof for the appeal.
- 23.6 The Macau Tennis Association Appeal Committee will make final judgement to appeals.

24. Personal Data Collection and Discharge of Claims

By applying for a tournament entry, a player has given permanent consent to the organizer to take, use and present photos of the player during the tournament. As a condition of tournament entry, all tournament players agree to waive any claims to the organizer for any damage on the player caused during matches (or any period traveling within, to and from tournament site).

25. Others

- 25.1 In case the Rules and Regulation is incomplete to settle a dispute, the Event Committee will make the final decision based on ITF rules and regulations.
- 25.2 The organizer preserves the right to interpret and modify the Rules and Regulations



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Registration Form

<input type="radio"/> U12 Junior Team Competition (born between 2011-2013)	<input type="radio"/> MOP 400
<input type="radio"/> Open Team Competition (born in or before 2010)	<input type="radio"/> MOP 1200
<input type="radio"/> Senior Team Competition (Male born in or before 1978, Female born in or before 1988)	<input type="radio"/> MOP 1200
隊名 Name of Team:	
屬會 Club :	
領隊 Leader :	電話 Tel :
教練 Coach :	電話 Tel :
電郵 Email :	

球員名單 List of Players

	姓名 Name :	證件號碼 ID No :		姓名 Name :	證件號碼 ID No :
1			8		
2			9		
3			10		
4			11		
5			12		
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7					

領隊/教練簽名 Captain/Coach Signature