

**GETACTIVE! SINGAPORE 2017  
COMPETITION RULES & REGULATION – TENNIS**

**1. Rules**

- 1.1 According to the Laws/Rules established by the latest rules and regulations of the International Tennis Federation (ITF) and as directed by the Singapore Tennis Association (STA) ([www.itftennis.com](http://www.itftennis.com) & [www.singtennis.org.sg](http://www.singtennis.org.sg)) and
- 1.2 Governed by the GetActive! Singapore Games General Rules and Regulations.

**2. Eligibility & Registration**

- 2.1 There are three (3) events (i.e. Youth, Masters and Corporates) with a total of 15 categories. Please refer to Appendix 1 for the information.
- 2.2 The registration fees for the respective categories are as follows:

| S/No | Event                         | Categories   | Registration Fees   |
|------|-------------------------------|--|---|
| 1    | Youth<br>(Individual Event)   | i. Boys' 18 and Under Singles<br>ii. Boys' 18 and Under Doubles<br>iii. Girls' 18 and Under Singles<br>iv. Girls' 18 and Under Doubles<br>v. Boys' 14 and Under Singles<br>vi. Boys' 14 and Under Doubles<br>vii. Girls' 14 and Under Singles<br>viii. Girls' 14 and Under Doubles | <i>Singles: \$10.00 per player</i><br><i>Doubles: \$20.00 per pair</i>                                  |
| 2    | Masters<br>(Individual Event) | i. Men's 35 and Above Singles<br>ii. Men's 35 and Above Doubles<br>iii. Men's 45 and Above Singles<br>iv. Men's 45 and Above Doubles<br>v. Ladies' 35 and Above Singles<br>vi. Ladies' 35 and Above Doubles  | <i>Singles: \$10.00 per player</i><br><i>Doubles: \$20.00 per pair</i>                                  |
| 3    | Corporates<br>(Team Event)    | There shall be three (3) matches in each tie comprising of:<br>i. Men's Doubles #1<br>ii. Men's Doubles #2<br>iii. Women's Doubles #1  | <i>\$60.00 per team; each team shall comprise of a minimum of 6 players and a maximum of 10 players</i> |

- 2.3 All entries must be registered by the stipulated closing dates. Late entries will not be accepted, and the organising committee shall not be responsible for mails lost in transit.
- 2.4 For the individual events, no on-site alternate sign-in will be accepted for all events; and no substitute partner is allowed after the entry deadline for doubles entry.
- 2.5 For the team events, no replacements or changes will be entertained after the team managers' meeting.
- 2.6 Refund of entry fee before the entry deadline will be entertained on a case-by-case basis. There will be no refund after the entry deadline.

- 2.7 Please note point 4.1 under entries. Each player is allowed to participate in only one (1) event category.

### 3. Event Venue & Schedule

- 3.1 The event schedules are as follows:

| Event      | Date           | Finals     | Timings   |
|------------|----------------|------------|---|
| Youth      | 22 Jul – 6 Aug | 5/6 August | Weekdays (Mon – Fri) – 1700 – 2300; and<br>Weekends (Sat – Sun) – 0900 – 2300 |
| Masters    | 22 Jul – 6 Aug | 5/6 August | Weekdays (Mon – Fri) – 1900 – 2300; and<br>Weekends (Sat – Sun) – 0900 – 2300 |
| Corporates | 22 Jul – 6 Aug | 5/6 August |   |

- 3.2 The venues for the tennis events are Bedok Tennis Centre, Yio Chu Kang Tennis Centre and Kallang Tennis Centre. The finalised venues for each event will be confirmed once the entries are finalised.

- 3.3 All above may change once the entries are finalised. Please refer to GAS website for updates.

### 4. Format of Play

- 4.1 The list of events shall be as follows:

| S/No | Event                         | Categories   | Entries   |
|------|-------------------------------|--|---|
| 1    | Youth<br>(Individual Event)   | i. Boys' 18 and Under Singles<br>ii. Boys' 18 and Under Doubles<br>iii. Girls' 18 and Under Singles<br>iv. Girls' 18 and Under Doubles<br>v. Boys' 14 and Under Singles<br>vi. Boys' 14 and Under Doubles<br>vii. Girls' 14 and Under Singles<br>viii. Girls' 14 and Under Doubles | Each player may participate in a maximum of 1 Singles category and 1 Doubles category                                   |
| 2    | Masters<br>(Individual Event) | i. Men's 35 and Above Singles<br>ii. Men's 35 and Above Doubles<br>iii. Men's 45 and Above Singles<br>iv. Men's 45 and Above Doubles<br>v. Ladies' 35 and Above Singles<br>vi. Ladies' 35 and Above Doubles  | Each player may participate in a maximum of 1 Singles category and 1 Doubles category                                   |
| 3    | Corporates<br>(Team Event)    | There shall be three (3) matches in each tie comprising of:<br>i. Men's Doubles #1<br>ii. Men's Doubles #2<br>iii. Women's Doubles #1<br><br>Team have to win at least two(2) matches to win a tie   | No player is allowed to play for more than one team and more than once in each tie. If he/she is found to be, the teams |

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|      |       |            | which he/she had played for shall be disqualified from the tournament. |

- 4.2 All events shall be played on Round Robin format followed by Play-Offs, unless otherwise stated.
- 4.3 For the Round Robin stage, entries will be drawn and grouped into groups depending on the final entries received for each event. The number of players/teams from each group progressing to the Play-Offs will be dependent on the number of entries for each event.
- 4.4 For Youth Category Only: (Point 4.5 does not apply to this category):
- 4.4.1 With adaptation from the new tennis format introduced by the ATP for 21 and Under, all Round Robin matches shall be played to the best-of-3 sets, of first to 4 games sets (tie-break at 3-all). The tie-break will be based on first to reach 5 points by a margin of 2 points; and
- 4.4.2 All Play-Offs matches shall be played to the best-of-5 sets, of first to 4 games sets (tie-break at 3-all). The tie-break will be based on first to reach 5 points by a margin of 2 points.
- 4.4.3 The No-Let Rule will apply to serves. If the serve clips the net and lands in the correct service box, there's no let and the ball is in play. If the serve clips the net and lands outside the correct service box, it is a fault.
- 4.5 For Masters and Corporate Categories (Point 4.4 does not apply to these categories)
- 4.5.1 All Round Robin matches shall be decided by a pro set of 8 games. At 7 games all, a tie-break will be played. The tie-break will be based on first to reach 7 points by a margin of 2 points.
- 4.5.2 All Play-Offs matches shall be played to the best-of-3 sets, of first to 6 games sets (tie-break at 6-all), and a super tie-break (10 points) on the 3<sup>rd</sup> set to decide the match when the score is one set all. Super tie-break is based on first to reach 10 points by a margin of 2 points.
- 4.5.3 The Let Rule will apply to serves. If the serve clips the net and lands in the correct service box, the server is to repeat the service attempt. If the serve clips the net and lands outside the correct service box, it is a fault.
- 4.6 The No-Ad Scoring System will be implemented for all matches in the Youth, Masters and Corporates categories. If both players have won 3 points, the score is called deuce; one deciding point shall then be played whereby the receiver shall choose whether he/she wishes to receive the service from the right half of the court or left half of the court. The player who wins the deciding point wins the game.
- 4.7 For the team event, there should be **no repetition of players** for each tie.
- 4.8 The format of play may be changed at the tournament referee's discretion.

- 4.9 The International Tennis Federation (ITF) tournament rules will be applied in conjunction with this tournament's rules, unless otherwise stated. The Committee reserves the right to change the rules in any way it deems fit.
- 4.10 The tournament referee shall act as final on-site authority for the interpretation of the applicable Tournament Rules & Regulations, ITF Code of Conduct and Rules of Tennis as to all matters arising that require immediate resolution at the tournament venue.
- 4.11 All matches will be played without Chair Umpire, unless provided. Players must keep their own score. If a player feels that the opponent's line calls are inaccurate, the player shall inform the referee IMMEDIATELY. Dispute of any nature regarding a match should be brought to the referee's attention immediately. Protests will not be entertained after a match is completed.
- 4.12 Players must play in any court assigned by the referee. Requests by players for additional lightings or specific court will not be accommodated.
- 4.13 Players are allowed 5 minutes to warm-up before the start of the match.
- 4.14 Match courts are strictly for players only and no warm up courts are provided.

## **5 Tie-Breaker**

- 5.1 In the event that there is a draw in points between teams/players in the round robin, the following procedure shall be used:
  - 5.1.1 If two (2) teams/players score an equal number of points, the head-to-head result between the two shall decide the winner.
  - 5.1.2 If three (3) or more teams/players score an equal number of points the following procedure shall be used:
    - 5.1.2.1 The number of matches won shall decide the winner.
    - 5.1.2.2 If matches won are equal, the number of games won all teams/players in the pool shall decide the winner.
  - 5.1.3 If any match is stopped and not completed for reasons of injury, etc, the full score shall be recorded.

Example: Player A leads over Player B by 6-1 (or 6-1, 2-0) when Player B is injured and unable to continue. Player A's victory shall be recorded as 8-1 (or 6-1,6-0)
  - 5.1.4 If a match is a walk-over, the score shall be recorded as 8-0 for round robin) or 6-0, 6-0 for play-offs.

## **6. Prizes**

- 6.1 Prizes will be awarded to the Champion, Runner-Up and Semi-Finalists for all event categories.
- 6.2 Only medals will be awarded when entries are below 4 teams.
- 6.3 If there are only 3 teams for the event, using the minus 1 rule, only Champion and Runner-Up will be awarded with no prize money.
- 6.4 If there are less than 4 teams:
  - Option 1

- Participants can withdraw and receive a full refund

Option 2

- Participants can continue with the competition but will not be eligible for prize money and medals will be awarded based on the minus 1 rule.

Option 3

- Participants may opt to join another category which they are eligible.

6.5 Details of Prize Money will be published on GAS 2017 official website.

## 7. Ranking Points and Seeding Criteria

7.1 There will be no ranking points awarded.

7.2 There will be no seeding.

## 8. Draw

8.1 A Team Managers/Players' meeting will be held on Friday, 14 July 2017 – 6.00pm at the Yio Chu Kang Guest office.

8.2 If a player is defaulted for not showing up for a match because of an administrative error, the tournament referee can reinstate the match and players must play the reinstated match as scheduled by the referee.

## 9. Reporting

9.1 All players must sign in at the tournament desk and be ready to play at their scheduled time. Players will be defaulted and a walkover is given to the opponent if they are not ready to play 15 minutes within their scheduled time, only if a court is available and weather permits. No appeal will be accepted

9.2 In the event of rain, the referee shall make an announcement informing all players to dry their courts when the rain stops. Should any player fail to report 15 minutes after the announcement is made, the player will be defaulted (i.e. concedes a walk-over). No appeal will be accepted.

9.3 For Team events, the team line up must be submitted to no later than **30 minutes** prior the scheduled match.

## 10. Inclement Weather

10.1 In the event of inclement weather, players must be prepared to play 3 matches a day/night with a minimum rest period of 30 minutes in between matches.

## 11. Retirement

11.1 Any player/pair who decides to retire due to injury will retain their set score at point of retirement and concede all remaining points of the match to their opponents. For example, should a match be retired at 6-0, 3-5 that would mean final score will be 6-0, 3-6, (0-10)

**12. Disqualification**

- 12.1 Players will be disqualified in the event of unruly conduct or cheating.
- 12.2 The Organiser reserve the right to disqualify players at its discretion and take further disciplinary action.
- 12.3 Disqualification just prior to start of a tie will result in conceding walkover.

**13 Medical Time-Out**

- 13.1 No qualified medical personnel will be available. The tournament referee shall allow the player to be treated by any person selected by him/her. Injury time-out is 3 minutes only.

**14. Equipment & Attire**

- 14.1 The organiser shall decide the official balls to be used for the competitions.
- 14.2 All players must be appropriately attired with proper tennis footwear for the matches.
- 14.3 All doubles pair is encouraged to be in uniformed attire.

**15. Competition Jurisdiction**

- 15.1 The Organising Committee reserves the right to interpret or amend the rules and regulations of the competition at any time. Notifications of such changes will be posted on the GAIS official website. All participants are advised to visit the competition website frequently for any notices or changes to draws or schedules.
- 15.2 Any player who violates the Rules and Regulations shall be defaulted immediately, immaterial of which rounds he/she has reached.
- 15.3 While reasonable precautions will be taken, the organisers, its servants and agents will not be responsible or in any way liable for any death, disability, personal injury, loss of property or any other loss howsoever arising from any cause whatsoever at any time during the course of this competition.

**Appendix 1: Player Eligibility Criteria**

| S/No | Event                       | Categories                       | Eligibility   |
|------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| 1    | Youth<br>(Individual Event) | i. Boys' 18 and Under Singles    | Born in the year of 1999 and after are eligible to participate<br><br>For Doubles events, at least one (1) player of the pair must be a Singapore Citizen and/or Singapore Permanent Resident |
|      |                             | ii. Boys' 18 and Under Doubles   |   |
|      |                             | iii. Girls' 18 and Under Singles |   |
|      |                             | iv. Girls' 18 and Under Doubles  |   |

| S/No | Event                      | Categories   | Eligibility  |
|------|----------------------------|--|--|
|      |                            | v. Boys' 14 and Under Singles  | Born in the year of 2013 and after are eligible to participate   |
|      |                            | vi. Boys' 14 and Under Doubles   | For Doubles events, at least one (1) player of the pair must be a Singapore Citizen and/or Singapore Permanent Resident  |
|      |                            | vii. Girls' 14 and Under Singles   |  |
|      |                            | viii. Girls' 14 and Under Doubles  |  |
| 2    | Masters (Individual Event) | i. Men's 35 and Above Singles  |  |
|      |                            | ii. Men's 35 and Above Doubles   | For Doubles events, at least one (1) player of the pair must be a Singapore Citizen and/or Singapore Permanent Resident  |
|      |                            | iii. Men's 45 and Above Singles  | Men born in the year of 1972 and before are eligible to participate  |
|      |                            | iv. Men's 45 and Above Doubles   | For Doubles events, at least one (1) player of the pair must be a Singapore Citizen and/or Singapore Permanent Resident  |
|      |                            | v. Ladies' 35 and Above Singles  | Ladies born in the year of 1982 and before are eligible to participate   |
|      |                            | vi. Ladies' 35 and Above Doubles   | For Doubles events, at least one (1) player of the pair must be a Singapore Citizen and/or Singapore Permanent Resident  |
| 3    | Corporates (Team Event)    | There shall be three (3) matches in each tie comprising of:<br>iv. Men's Doubles #1<br>v. Men's Doubles #2<br>vi. Women's Doubles #1 | Each team shall comprise of a minimum of 6 players and a maximum of 10 players.<br><br>For each Doubles match, at least one (1) player of the pair must be a Singapore Citizen and/or Singapore Permanent Resident<br><br>For the registration of a corporate team, at least 70% of the team must consist of full-time and/or contract staff from the respective organisations, and of which at least 50% of the staff must be Singapore citizens or Singapore permanent residents. The total number of foreigners (i.e. non-Singapore citizens or non-Singapore permanent residents in the team shall not exceed 70% of the team composition. |

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|------|-------|------------|--|
|      |       |            | <p>For example, if a company is registering a team of 10 players, at least 7 players shall be staff and the remaining players can be family and/or friends. If there are 7 staff players, at least 4 of them shall be Singapore citizens or permanent residents. The total number of foreigners in the team shall be capped at 3 players.</p> <p>Please refer to the general GA!S 2017 rules and regulations for more information.</p> |