

## International Island Games Association

### The Sports and By-Laws

#### **Section 1 - The Sports of the Island Games and Recognised International Federations**

- 1.1** The Rules of Competition of the following governing International Sports Federations shall be those used where appropriate at the Island Games (hereafter called 'the Games') subject to the provisions of Clause 1.6 hereof.
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| Federation Internationale de Tir a L'Arc                       | FITA   |
| International Association of Athletic Federation               | IAAF   |
| Badminton World Federation                                     | BWF    |
| Federation Internationale de Basketball                        | FIBA   |
| World Indoor Bowls Council                                     | WIBC   |
| Union Cycliste Internationale                                  | UCI    |
| Federation Internationale de Football Association              | FIFA   |
| Royal & Ancient Golfing Society                                | R&A    |
| Federation Internationale Gymnastique                          | FIG    |
| International Judo Federation                                  | IJF    |
| International Sailing Federation                               | ISAF   |
| International Shooting Sport Federation                        | ISSF   |
| Federation Internationale de Tir Aux Armes Sportives de Chasse | FITASC |
| Clay Pigeon Shooting Association                               | CPSA   |
| World Squash Federation  | WSF    |
| Federation Internationale de Natation                          | FINA   |
| International Table Tennis Federation                          | ITTF   |
| International Tennis Federation                                | ITF    |
| International Triathlon Union                                  | ITU    |
| Federation Internationale de Volleyball                        | FIVB   |
- 1.3** Any other sport, or event, accepted by the IIGA for inclusion in the Games, shall, if that sport, or event, be controlled by an International Federation, have the name of the Federation added to the above list.
- 1.4** For clarification purposes Sailing will always be deemed to include Sailboarding (Windsurfing) and they will not be deemed to be separate sports.
- 1.5** That in future 'Bowls' shall include Indoor Bowls, Outdoor Bowls and Ten Pin Bowling.
- 1.6** All sports shall operate under the IIGA Constitution Operational Guidelines and Sports and By-laws and where there is no direct conflict with the aforesaid IIGA Rules and Regulations they shall also operate under each Sports International Governing Body Rules.

**Section 2 - The Responsibilities of the Host Island Organising Committee****2.1 Operational Guidelines for Host Islands**

- 2.1.1 The IIGA has overriding control of the policy of the Games.
- 2.1.2 The Host Island Organising Committee (hereafter called the 'Organising Committee') shall set up its own Sports Management Committee and shall appoint 1 of its Members to act as Chairman. The Sports Management Committee shall be responsible to the Organising Committee for ensuring that each sport is properly administered. Each Governing Body of the sports chosen for the Games shall, with the approval of the Organising Committee, elect its representative to the Sports Management Committee.
- 2.1.3 Each Sport Representative of the Sports Management Committee will, in partnership with the Host Island Sport Governing Body, be responsible for making the arrangements for competitions, and shall ensure that all venues and facilities necessary for competition meet with the requirements of the IIGA. Should any doubt exist as to the suitability of any venue or facility the Organising Committee will report the fact to the Executive Committee.
- 2.1.4 The Organising Committee shall ensure that each sport in the Games is overseen by a Technical Committee. The Technical Committee is established by election at the Post-Games Technical Committee meeting at the previous Games and shall consist of a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 6 Members – a Chairman, Secretary plus up to 4 Members. Both Future Host Islands (if applicable) should be represented and if at all possible at least 1 of the positions should be permanent e.g. Secretary or Chairman, to ensure continuity.
- 2.1.5 Each Sport Co-Ordinator shall, with the agreement of their Technical Committee convene a Pre-Competition management meeting for all Team Managers.
- 2.1.6 The Sport Co-Ordinator shall where appropriate, advise the Chairman and Secretary of the Technical Committee of the time and venue of the Pre-Competition Management meeting prior to their arrival at the Games.
- 2.1.7 The Sport Co-Ordinator shall, where possible, notify each of the Team Managers of the time and venue of the Pre-Competition Management meeting prior to their arrival at the Games.
- 2.1.8 At the Pre-Competition Management meeting, the Sport Co-Ordinator shall introduce himself/herself and if appropriate, Members of the Sports Organising Committee. The meeting shall then be handed over to the Chairman of the Technical Committee.

### **Section 3 - The Pre-Competition Meeting**

#### **3.1** Suggested agenda for the Pre-Competition Meeting:

- 1 Introduction to the meeting of:
  - Technical Committee.
  - Host Island Coordinator and Technical Officer.
  - Observer from the International Federation (if present).
- 2 Appointment of a Chairman (if the Chairman of the Technical Committee is not present).
- 3 Appointment of a Secretary of the meeting (if the Secretary of the Technical Committee is not present).
- 4 The Host Island Coordinator and/or Technical Officer should: -
  - confirm the Programme and Order of Events
  - clarify the Rules e.g. seeding
  - allocate lanes
  - substitutions
  - notify meeting of withdrawals etc.
  - explain the procedures to be followed e.g. sports opening ceremony
  - arrangements for training and warm-up
  - medal presentations
  - appeals etc.
  - answer questions from the floor
- 5 Appointment of a Jury of Appeal
- 6 Any Other Business
- 7 Confirmation of the day, time and place of the Post-Competition Meeting.

#### **3.2** **Note**

- This meeting should be attended by the Technical Committee appointed at the previous Games together with 2 representatives from each Member Island competing in that sport. The Observer from the International Federation, the Senior Official who will be responsible for conducting the event, the Host Island Coordinator and Technical Officer should also be present.
- Minutes of this meeting should be sent to the General Secretary, the Sports Coordinator of the next Host Island, and to each Member Island that participated in the sport.

#### **Section 4 - Attendance and Voting Rights At Sports Competition Meetings**

- 4.1 The Organising Committee of the sport concerned a maximum of 2 representatives (1 vote).
- 4.2 Each of the other Member Island Association (hereafter called 'Member Islands') competing in the sport a maximum of 2 representatives (1 vote per Member Island).
- 4.3 The International Federation Delegate/Observer of the sport or event (as appropriate) if present at the Games (1 vote).
- 4.4 The Officers and Executive Committee Members are ex-officio, non-voting Members of all IIGA Technical Committees.
- 4.5 The Chairman of the Technical Committee shall have the casting vote.

#### **Section 5 - The Roles & Responsibilities of Sport Technical Committee**

- 5.1 Each Technical Committee shall supervise and assume control of the Technical arrangements for their sport during the Games, assisted by the Organising Committee and by its Sports Committees. The Technical Committee shall ensure that the sport is conducted in accordance with the Rules of the International Federation concerned, or by the Governing Body of the sport where there is no direct conflict with the Constitution, Operational Guidelines and Sports By-laws of the IIGA.
- 5.2 The Technical Committee may meet at such times as is deemed necessary during the course of the Games.
- 5.3 Juries of Appeal shall be composed in accordance with the IIGA Sports By-laws but could include, if present, the official International Federation Delegate/Observer of the sport or event (as appropriate). The names of the Members of the Juries of Appeal for each sport will be notified in writing to the General Secretary immediately on their appointment.
- 5.4 The Jury of Appeal shall not consist of more than 40% of its Members from 1 Member Island.
- 5.5 Between the Games the Members of the Technical Committee will act as the advisory/consultative body for that sport for the Executive Committee, the Sport Coordinator from the next Host Island and the Organising Committee from the next Host Island.
- 5.6 Technical Committees shall be empowered to recommend/propose amendments to the Executive Committee. Amendments must be sent to the General Secretary no later than 4 months before the Games at which the changes will come into effect.
- 5.7 Each Technical Committee shall have the power to co-opt non-voting persons for consultative purposes only.

## **Section 6 - The Post-Competition Meeting**

### **6.1** Suggested agenda for the Post-Competition Technical Meeting:

- 1 Introduction of any person not present at the Pre-Competition Meeting.
- 2 Approve the Minutes of the last meeting
- 3 Matters arising from the Minutes
- 4 Review all aspects of the current Games:
  - pre-games information
  - entries
  - programme
  - officiating
  - results service
- 5 Agree an outline Programme for the next Games
- 6 Formulate recommendations, if any, for the next Organising Committee
- 7 Review the sport specific IIGA By-laws.
- 8 Appoint a Technical Committee to serve until the conclusion of the next Games.
- 9 Any Other Business

### **6.2** **Note:**

- It is desirable that the Sports Coordinator for the next Games be present at this meeting. The meeting may be attended by a representative of the Executive Committee; therefore the Executive Committee must be notified of the details of the arrangements.
- Minutes of this meeting should be sent to the General Secretary, the Sports Coordinator of the next Host Island, to each Member Island that participated in the sport, and to each new Island that was admitted to the IIGA during the AGM.
- **It is essential that the names and contact details for both the Chairman and Secretary of the newly elected Sports Technical Committee are sent (preferably by email) to the General Secretary, together with the Minutes of both the Pre and Post-Competition Meetings, within 2 months of the Closing Ceremony of the Games.**

## **Tennis By-laws**

### **Section 1 – Competition Rules**

**1.1** The Tennis competition shall operate under the IIGA Constitution, Operational Guidelines and Sports By-laws and where there is no direct conflict with the aforesaid IIGA Rules and Regulations they shall also operate in accordance with the current Rules and Regulations of the International Tennis Federation (ITF).

#### **1.2 Match Regulations**

All matches shall be the best of 3 sets, with a tie break at 6 - 6 in each set. A Championship tie-break game may be played in place of a 3<sup>rd</sup> set in the event of inclement weather, or due to lack of time. If a Round Robin format is used, the Championship tie-break game will apply in place of the 3<sup>rd</sup> set in the Group part of the event.

### **Section 2 – General**

#### **2.1 Island Representation**

2.1.1 Member Islands may bring a maximum of 5 men and 5 women players to the Games.

#### **2.1.2 Individual Competition**

##### **2.1.2.1 Singles**

Men a maximum of 4 competitors per Member Island

Women a maximum of 4 competitors per Member Island

##### **2.1.2.2 Doubles**

Men a maximum of 2 pairs per Member Island

Women a maximum of 2 pairs per Member Island

2.1.2.3 **Mixed Doubles** a maximum of 4 pairs per Member Island

#### **2.1.3 Team Competition**

A maximum of 1 Mens Team and 1 Ladies Team each to consist of a maximum of 4 players and a minimum of 2 players.

#### **2.2 Age of Competitors**

2.2.1 All players must have reached their 14<sup>th</sup> birthday by the day of the Opening Ceremony of that Games.

2.2.2 In respect of competitors under the age of 18 years competing Member Islands must make arrangements for them to be correctly supervised and comply with all relevant child welfare legislation of their own Island and that of the Host Island.

#### **2.3 Officials**

2.3.1 To be appointed by the Organising Committee.

2.3.2 The competition will be controlled by the Tournament Referee and an Assistant Referee if Tennis is being played at more than 1 site. Referees must be suitably qualified.

2.3.3 As a minimum Scorers should be provided for the Team Event finals and for Individual Event semi-finals and finals.

- 2.3.4 The Referee shall be required to:
- Keep a hard copy record of ALL matches, including Individual matches within the Team Event
  - Record all tie-break scores
  - Correctly record a score at the point of a retirement (a match ended midway through, usually by injury) e.g. 6-2, 2-0 retired, or if the match never started as a “walkover”
  - Ensure that the nominated player order is STRICTLY adhered to in the Team Events.
  - Authorise/oversee the result input in the computer system before it is released for general viewing.
- 2.3.5 The computer results system should incorporate the seeding numbers in all draws.
- 2.3.6 The computer results system should record the tie-break scores i.e. 7-6 (7-3), 6-7 (5-7), 6-4.
- 2.3.7 In the event of the ITF appointing an International Observer that person shall have the rights given to him/her by the ITF Rules.
- 2.4 Events**
- 2.4.1 **Individual**
- Men's Singles  
Ladies Singles  
Men's Doubles  
Ladies Doubles
- In addition Mixed Doubles will be played at the discretion of the Organising Committee.
- 2.4.2 **Team**
- Men's Team Event  
Ladies Team Event
- 2.4.3 **Competition Programme**
- The priority order of events will be: -
- Team Event
  - Men's and Ladies Singles
  - Men's and Ladies Doubles
  - Mixed Doubles.
- 2.5 Training**
- 2.5.1 Arrangements for any Pre-Games training/practice shall be made at the discretion of the Organising Committee.
- 2.5.2 Where possible courts should be available for practice for a minimum of 2 days prior to competition commencing. Courts should be available for all surfaces that are to be used during the Games

**2.6 Draw**

- 2.6.1 The Technical Committee in conjunction with the Tournament Referee will draw up the seeding for the Member Islands for the Team Event and the players for the Individual and Doubles Events. Due notice will be taken of all seeding produced by the different National Bodies, inclusive of the Host Island.
- 2.6.2 Any Draw may be supervised by the International Observer, if present, and the Tournament Referee (or his/her representative) and will be made by the Technical Committee.
- 2.6.3 The Draw for the Team Events should be done prior to the start of the events. All Teams should play at least once on the 1<sup>st</sup> day so those standards may be assessed for the Individual Events, the draw for which will take place on the conclusion of the Team Events.
- 2.6.4 Each Team should send their Team Manager, or a representative, to all draws that take place during the Games.

**2.7 Venues**

Details of the court surfaces to be used must be passed on to Member Islands as soon as possible.

**2.8 Equipment**

- 2.8.1 New balls will be used for each match. A minimum of 3 will be provided by the Organising Committee.
- 2.8.2 The winner of each match will return the balls and the match score to the Tennis office, and discover where and when their next match will take place.
- 2.8.3 The Organising Committee will decide on the make and type of ITF APPROVED, recognised championship tennis balls to be used at all Games matches.
- 2.8.4 Member Islands should be notified of the match balls decision a minimum of 4 months before the commencement of the Games.
- 2.8.5 Teams should bring their own balls for practice.
- 2.8.6 Teams should bring their own Island flag or emblem to decorate the Tennis area.

**2.9 Clothing**

- 2.9.1 The ITF regulation for clothing and advertising on clothing will apply; provided that any further regulations that may be imposed by the IIGA shall take precedence.
- 2.9.2 Suitable Tennis clothing and shoes must be worn by all competitors in Games matches.
- 2.9.3 The name of the Member Island may be displayed on a player's kit. In addition, the sponsors' logo must be within the limitation specified in current IIGA and ITF rules.

**2.10 Medical**

The Organising Committee shall provide sufficient medical treatment during the competitions. Arrangements must be made with a nearby hospital for emergency treatment.

**2.11 Medals**

2.11.1 Medals will be awarded as follows:

- Men's Singles 1 Gold, 1 Silver, 2 Bronze (losing semi-finalists)
- Ladies' Singles 1 Gold, 1 Silver, 2 Bronze (losing semi-finalists)
- Men's Doubles 2 Gold, 2 Silver, 4 Bronze (losing semi-finalists)
- Ladies' Doubles 2 Gold, 2 Silver, 4 Bronze (losing semi-finalists)
- Mixed Doubles 2 Gold, 2 Silver, 4 Bronze (losing semi-finalists)
- Men's Team up to 4 Gold, up to 4 Silver, up to 4 Bronze
- Ladies Team up to 4 Gold, up to 4 Silver, up to 4 Bronze

2.11.2 Should any event not be completed, no medals for that event will be awarded, except where the event has reached the medal stage. If the semi-final stage has been reached but not completed each semi-finalist shall be entitled to a Bronze medal. If the semi-finals have been completed but it is not possible to hold the final Bronze medals will be awarded to the defeated semi-finalists and Silver medals to each of the finalists.

2.11.3 There will be two Bronze medals awarded in each event i.e. each losing semi-finalist shall receive a medal providing that they have not been defaulted under the Code of Conduct.

2.11.4 Should a Team earn medals all nominated players will receive a medal, regardless of whether or not they played.

**2.12 Protests and Complaints**

Any protests or complaints will be investigated by the Tournament Referee and a decision made by him/her. An appeal against this decision can be made to the Jury of Appeal with a further right of appeal by any aggrieved party to the Island Games Association Court.

**2.13 Banned Substances and Drug Testing**

All competitors in every event shall be subject to Section 9 of the Operational Guidelines of the IIGA.

**Section 3 - Technical Committee****3.1 Appointment**

The Technical Committee will be appointed at each Games Post-Competition Meeting and shall consist of a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 6 Members – a Chairman, Secretary plus up to 4 Members. Both of the future Host Islands (if applicable) should be represented and if at all possible at least 1 of the positions should be permanent e.g. Secretary or Chairman to ensure continuity.

**3.2 Meetings**

The Technical Committee will meet if necessary at any time during the Games. In the period between the Games the Technical Committee will act as an advisory/consultative body on any matters arising.

**Section 4 – Pre and Post-Competition Meetings**

- 4.1** The Pre and Post-Competition Meetings shall be called and chaired by the Host Island Sports Co-ordinator and shall be attended by the Technical Committee and up to 2 representatives from each competing Member Island Team.
- 4.2** The Jury of Appeal will be appointed at the Pre-Competition Meeting. A panel of 5 Members (preferably from different competing Member Islands) plus a non-voting Secretary will be appointed. A minimum of 3 Members plus the Secretary would be required to hear an appeal. If the appeal concerns a competitor from the same Member Island as 1 of the Jury Members he/she cannot participate in any decision taken.

**Section 5 – Individual Competition**

- 5.1** The maximum number of players to be entered from each Member Island shall be:
- 4 persons in each Singles event
  - 2 pairs in each of the Men's and Ladies Doubles events
  - 4 pairs in the Mixed Doubles event.
  - No player may enter more than 2 Individual events.
- (Note: In no event may players from different Member Islands team-up together.)
- 5.2** 1 month before the Games, each Member Island shall confirm its order of merit for the players entered in the Singles events. In addition the number of pairs for the Doubles events should be confirmed.
- 5.3** No coaching may take place during Individual events.
- 5.4** The minimum time between a player's matches will be 30 minutes. The maximum time between consecutive matches will be 1 hour.

**Section 6 – Team Competition**

- 6.1** Players shall be nominated in RANKING ORDER and this order CANNOT be changed throughout the Team Event. Players ranked 1 and 2 do NOT have to play in every match, but the order of the players must remain the same relative to one another i.e. if numbers 3 & 4 play then the 3<sup>rd</sup> ranked player is no. 1 and the 4<sup>th</sup> ranked player no. 2. No extra players may be added throughout the Team Event, even in the case of injury (except by application to the Jury).
- 6.2** The actual playing order of the Team must be nominated to the officials 30 minutes before the scheduled start time of the match, but not before the completion of the previous match of the Team.
- 6.3** Doubles pairings shall be nominated after the conclusion of the second Singles match to be played.

**6.4** Team event sequence, match and order of play

	Team A	v	Team B
1 <sup>st</sup> match	No. 1 Singles	v	No. 1 Singles
	Nominated player		Nominated player
2 <sup>nd</sup> match	No. 2 Singles	v	No. 2 Singles
	Nominated player		Nominated player
1 <sup>st</sup> match	No. 1 Doubles	v	No. 1 Doubles
	Nominated players		Nominated players

**6.5** The Doubles match will not commence until both Singles matches are over.

**6.6** There will be a minimum of 30 minutes and a maximum of 1 hour between the end of the last Singles match and the start of the Doubles match.

**6.7** Matches will be continuous, unless affected by the weather.

**6.8** Teams may be required to play 2 Team matches in 1 day.

**6.9** Davis Cup Rules of Coaching apply, i.e. for each match in the Team competition a player may receive coaching from 1Team official, who is sitting on court-side, but only when changing ends at the conclusion of a game.