





### **Masters Games 2014 - Table Tennis Competition**

#### ~ Prospectus ~

1. Purpose : To provide an opportunity to people aged 35 or above to participate in table tennis

competition and compete against people of similar age, so to enjoy the fun brought

by sports and sustain their interest in sports activities.

2. Date & Time : 31 August & 13 – 27 September 2014 (Sat & Sun)

2:00 pm - 11:00 pm (Sat) 9:00 am - 11:00 pm (Sun)

3. Venue : Cornwall Street Squash & Table Tennis Centre

(Address: 17 Cornwall Street, Kowloon Tong)

4. Eligibility : People aged 35 or above are welcome to participate in the Games. Participant's age

is calculated against the first day on which the event commences (i.e. those who were born on or before 31 August 1979 are eligible to participate in the

competition).

5. Division & Quota

| Activity No. | Event   | Division        | Age         | Quota      |
|--------------|---------|-----------------|-------------|------------|
| 4035 9412    | Singles | Men's A Grade   | 70 or above | 32 players |
| 4035 9413    |         | Men's B Grade   | 65 – 69     | 32 players |
| 4035 9414    |         | Men's C Grade   | 60 - 64     | 64 players |
| 4035 9415    |         | Men's D Grade   | 55 – 59     | 96 players |
| 4035 9416    |         | Men's E Grade   | 50 – 54     | 96 players |
| 4035 9417    |         | Men's F Grade   | 45 – 49     | 96 players |
| 4035 9418    |         | Men's G Grade   | 40 - 44     | 64 players |
| 4035 9419    |         | Men's H Grade   | 35 – 39     | 64 players |
| 4035 9420    |         | Women's A Grade | 70 or above | 8 players  |
| 4035 9421    |         | Women's B Grade | 65 – 69     | 16 players |
| 4035 9422    |         | Women's C Grade | 60 – 64     | 16 players |
| 4035 9423    |         | Women's D Grade | 55 – 59     | 16 players |
| 4035 9424    |         | Women's E Grade | 50 – 54     | 32 players |
| 4035 9425    |         | Women's F Grade | 45 – 49     | 16 players |
| 4035 9426    |         | Women's G Grade | 40 - 44     | 16 players |
| 4035 9427    |         | Women's H Grade | 35 – 39     | 8 players  |
| 4035 9428    | Doubles | Men's A Grade   | 55 or above | 32 teams   |
| 4035 9429    |         | Men's B Grade   | 45 or above | 32 teams   |
| 4035 9430    |         | Men's C Grade   | 35 or above | 32 teams   |
| 4035 9431    |         | Women's A Grade | 50 or above | 16 teams   |
| 4035 9432    |         | Women's B Grade | 35 or above | 8 teams    |
| 4035 9433    |         | Mixed A Grade   | 50 or above | 16 teams   |
| 4035 9434    |         | Mixed B Grade   | 35 or above | 16 teams   |

## Notes to Applicants

- : (1) Participants should be aware of their health condition, and consider whether it is suitable for them to enrol in this Games. In case of doubt, please consult a doctor prior to the enrolment of activity.
  - (2) Each applicant may enrol in a <u>maximum of one singles event and one</u> <u>doubles event</u> and pay the enrolment fee once. To facilitate the ballot arrangement, the applicant should submit separate enrolment forms for singles and doubles events with declarations.
  - (3) Each applicant should submit only one enrolment form for singles and doubles event. In case of multiple submissions or has submitted an incomplete enrolment form, all enrolment forms submitted by the applicant will not be entertained.
  - (4) For better resource utilisation, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) reserves the right to adjust the quota for each division with reference to the enrolment response. The applicants/participants should have no objection.
  - (5) For participants entering the doubles event, the division they enter shall be the one to which their youngest team member belongs.
  - (6) If there are less than two participants/teams for a particular division, the LCSD reserves the right to combine it with a division of younger age or cancel all events in that division.

#### 6. Enrolment Fee

: \$20 per person (those aged 60 or above, full-time students and persons with disabilities can enjoy a 50% off concessionary rate upon production of valid identity document(s) during payment). Each applicant should pay the fee according to his/her age on the first day (31 August 2014) of the competition.

#### 7. Format

- : (1) A single knock-out system will be adopted in all events.
  - (2) The "best of 5 games" system will be adopted in the preliminary and final rounds with 11 points per game.

#### 8. Regulations

- : (1) If only one participant/team shows up on the competition day, the player/team will still be given the respective award.
  - (2) Unless otherwise specified in the prospectus, the competition will adopt all rules and regulations approved by the Hong Kong Table Tennis Association.

#### 9. Marshall

- : (1) Participants should pay attention to the announcements of the Organiser and report to the Organiser and take part in the competitions on time. Otherwise, they will be deemed to have forfeited the right to compete.
  - Participants shall arrive at the competition venue at the scheduled time and report to the LCSD staff in person with their original copy of identity documents used for enrolment (Hong Kong residents should produce their Hong Kong Identity Cards. Persons without Hong Kong Identity Cards should produce their valid travel documents such as Passports, Exit-Entry Permits for Travelling to and from Hong Kong and Macao). If the participants fails to produce the above identification document, the LCSD staff reserve the right to disqualify them from the competition. Those who fail to report after 5 minutes of the scheduled time (both players of doubles event shall report at the same time), will be regarded as having withdrawn from the match.
  - (3) Participants shall stay at the venue to prepare for the match after reporting. Those who fail to show up 5 minutes after the umpires' roll call or dispatches not enough players in a doubles event will be deemed to have abandoned their participation right.
  - (4) Participants withdraw or fail to complete all matches will be disqualified. Their results and awards attained will be cancelled and the enrolment fee will not be refunded.

#### 10. Fixture Draw

The draw will be held at **7:30 pm on 29 July** (**Tue**) at the Audio-Visual Room, 1/F, Leisure and Cultural Services Headquarters, 1-3 Pai Tau Street, Sha Tin. Members of the public are welcome to attend. Applicants will be notified of the competition schedule, notes to participants and location map of the competition venue in writing by post/fax/e-mail. (If participants do not receive the information before the competition, please contact the LCSD as soon as possible or they may downloaded the information from the LCSD 'Masters Games' webpage.)

#### 11. Umpires

- : (1) Players on bye will take turns to serve as umpires on the same day in the preliminary rounds and they shall carry out the duties arranged by the LCSD. If no umpires can be arranged for the matches, the competitors shall be scored by themselves.
  - (2) From the Round of 16 onwards, umpires will be arranged by the LCSD.
- 12. Appeal : No appeal will be accepted. The decision of the umpire on the spot will be final.

#### 13. Points to Note

- : (1) Participants shall bring their own rackets. The colour of the covering blades should be red on one side and black on the other and the covering material used should be of a brand and type currently approved by the International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF). For details of the covering material, please visit the ITTF webpage: www.ittf.com.
  - (2) Table-tennis balls (white or orange in colour and 40 mm in diameter) for matches will be provided by the LCSD.
  - (3) Participants shall wear approved sportswear (consisting of a short-sleeved sports shirt, shorts/skirt, socks and non-marking rubber-soled sports shoes). The main colour of the shirt shall be clearly different from that of the ball in use.
  - (4) Owing to the tight schedule, no warm-up session will be arranged by the Organiser.
  - (5) Participants shall pay attention to the announcement made / notice displayed by the LCSD on the spot and observe all the regulations of the venue.
  - (6) If any participant(s) is/are found to be impostors or having violated the rules or engaged in improper conduct that affects the competition results, the LCSD reserves the right to disqualify the participant(s) from the competition.

#### 14. Awards

: A medal will be awarded to the champion, first, second and third runners-up of each division.

#### 15. Prospectuses & : (1)

(1) District Leisure Services Offices (DLSOs) of the LCSD;

Enrolment

(2) Any recreational and sports venues with Leisure Link services; or

Forms Available at/on

(3) 'Masters Games' website:

www.lcsd.gov.hk/me/mastersgames/en/prospectus.php

### 16. Enrolment Period

: 3 – 12 June

### 17. Enrolment Method

- : (1) Completed application forms should be submitted during the enrolment period (originals/copies of identification documents need not be attached or produced when the forms are submitted):
  - a) In person to: DLSOs of the LCSD (during office hours) or any recreational and sports venues with Leisure Link services; or
  - b) By post to: (the date of postage chop is regarded as receipt date) Major Events Section, LCSD
    - 2/F, Leisure and Cultural Services Headquarters
    - 1-3 Pai Tau Street, Sha Tin, New Territories.
    - "Masters Games 2014 Table Tennis Competition"; or
  - c) Submission of enrolment forms via the Internet.

- (2) If any division is over-subscribed, applicants will be selected by ballot. The ballot will be held **at 10:00 am** on **24 June** (**Tue**) at Room 201, 2/F, Leisure and Cultural Services Headquarters, 1-3 Pai Tau Street, Sha Tin. Members of the public are welcome to attend.
- (3) The balloting result will be announced at the DLSOs, any recreational and sports venues with Leisure Link services and on the LCSD 'Masters Games' webpage on **27 June**. Both the successful and waiting list applicants will be notified in writing after the ballot (no priority number will be assigned to applicants on the waiting list). Please note that unsuccessful applicants will not be informed separately. LCSD should not be responsible for the postage delay due to the incorrect or incomplete correspondence address provided by the applicant.
- (4) Successful applicants shall bring along their notification letter, identification document (originals or copies) and enrolment fee to the DLSOs (during office hours) or any recreational and sports venues with Leisure Link services for verification of their personal particulars and payment of enrolment fee during the specified payment period. Successful applicants who do not complete the payment procedure within the payment period will be deemed to have abandoned their participation right. Unfilled places, if any, will be filled by waiting list applicants on a first-come-first-served basis during the specified payment period.

# Date for Payment by Successful Applicants

Date for Payment by Waiting List Applicants

2-9 July

11 - 15 July

- (5) If there are remaining places after the deadline for payment by waiting list applicants, or if the competition is under-subscribed, the LCSD will arrange open enrolment on a first-come-first-served basis from 21 July (starting from 8:30 am) to 22 July at all DLSOs.
- (6) For participants in doubles events, both players in a team shall pay the enrolment fee, or else the team will be deemed to have abandoned their participation right.
- 18. Inclement
  Weather
  Arrangement

Should Pre-No. 8 special announcement, tropical cyclone warning signal No. 8 or above or red/black rainstorm warning signal is in force 2 hours before the reporting time for preliminary round of the competition, all games on that day will be cancelled. The Organiser will notify the participants of the corresponding arrangement in due course.

- 19. Supplementary : Regulations
- (1) The schedule for each division and events on the event days should follow the on-the-spot announcements.
- (2) The list of the winners for each division will be announced on the LCSD 'Masters Games' webpage.
- (3) LCSD reserves the right to amend this prospectus at any time without giving any prior notice.
- 20. Enquiries : LCSD 24-hour Customer Hotline: 2414 5555

Major Events Section of the LCSD: 2601 7672 Office hours: Monday to Friday: 8:45am to 6:00 pm

(lunch break: 1 pm to 2 pm)

(closed on Saturday, Sunday and general holidays)

\*\* The Chinese version of this prospectus and the application form is available upon request at the above offices or can be downloaded from the LCSD 'Masters Games' webpage.