



St. Mary's Sports Festival – Rules and Guidelines **BADMINTON RULES**



Individual Registrations – SINGLES Tournament

- **This is a KNOCKOUT TOURNAMENT**
- Each Individual is allowed 1 entry only and may not play for another player if they are injured.
- An injured player if unable to continue, will FORFEIT the game and NO SUBSTITUTION is allowed.
- Only players registered will be permitted to participate. In the event of any serious injuries, and the player cannot continue with the tournament, the opponent will be granted a WIN.
- There will be **NO REFUND OF FEES** for individuals that confirm participation and then cancel their participation when the tournament starts.
- **All individuals have to submit the registration forms and waiver forms duly signed for the entry to the tournament to be complete.**
- Signed waiver forms can be emailed to smcsfdxb@gmail.com
- **Only those players who sign the waiver form will be allowed onto the courts.**
- **A general BRIEFING will be held towards end of August and will be notified.**
- It is **MANDATORY FOR THE INDIVIDUAL** to attend the briefing.
- **REGISTRATIONS WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED AT THE SPORTS FEST OFFICE**

BEFORE GAME TIME

- Individuals must report **15 mins** before their scheduled game; the umpires will call each individual onto the court **only twice**, any individual not adhering to the rules and failure to be on the court will result in forfeit of the game i.e. the opponent will be given a walk over and a WIN Awarded to proceed to the next round. **The game will not be rescheduled.** All fixtures will start as per the scheduled timings.
- **Matches will be played using a PLASTIC SHUTTLE.**
- **Match fixtures with timings will be posted on the respective groups** (No change in schedule will be entertained) along with the detailed games rules and guidelines.
- Any change in schedule from the ORGANISERS or CHURCH side, will be duly notified 3 days in advance by email or text message to the individual players
- **Only players (STRICTLY)** will be allowed onto the courts. Any Players and/or their supporters caught smoking / littering / speaking foul language / hand gestures etc. **will be fined AED 100/- and the player will forgo the match** (or as decided by the referee/organizing committee). **PLAYERS will be held accountable for the behavior and conduct of their supporters.**
- Players must come in proper uniform for all the games. **There will be no dressing/un-dressing on the court before or after the game. Players caught in violation of this will not be allowed to play the game/next game.**
- Proper uniform consists of jerseys and shorts / leggings, **Court shoes for hard surface badminton courts.** The referee will check each player's uniform prior to game commencement. **Only Sports shoes are permitted.**
- No food or snacks will be allowed on the courts. Water provided will be consumed outside the barricaded area.
- **PLAYERS MUST CARRY THEIR ORIGINAL EMIRATES ID WITH THEM.**

DURING GAME TIME

- A player must wait until his opponent is ready before serving. If the opponent attempts a return then he is ruled having been ready.
- The feet of both players must remain in a stationary position until the serve is made. Your feet cannot touch the line at this time.
- It is not a fault if you miss the shuttle while serving.
- The shuttle cannot be caught and slung with the racquet.
- A player cannot hold his racket near the net to ward off a downward stroke by his opponent or to interfere with his racket.
- The referees decision is final during games.

SCORING

- A match consists of the best of 3 games of 15 points.
- In case of a tie break there will be a third set of 7 points
- Every time there is a serve – there is a point scored.
- The player winning a rally adds a point to its score.
- During the first two sets at 14 all, the player which gains a 2 point lead first, wins that game.
- In the tie break set At 6 all, the player scoring a 2 point lead first, wins that game.
- The player winning a game serves first in the next game.□

Interval and Change of Ends

- A 1 minute interval between each game is allowed.
- In the third game, players change ends when the leading score reaches 4 points.

FOULS AND CAUTIONS

- The shuttle, at the instant of being hit is higher than the servers waist or the head of the racket is higher than the servers racket hand.
- The shuttle does not land in the correct service court.
- The server's feet are not in the service court or if the feet of the receiver are not in the court diagonally opposite the server.
- The server steps forward as he/she serves.
- Any player balking or feinting his opponent before serve or during serve.
- A serve or shot that lands outside the court boundaries, passes under or through the net, touches any other obstructions or a players body or clothing. The boundary and service lines are considered in play.
- The shuttle in play is struck before it crosses the net to the striker's side of the net. You may follow through over the net.
- A player touching the net or its supports with his body or racket while the shuttle is in play.
- Hitting the shuttle twice in succession by a player or team.

SINGLES

- At the beginning of the game (0-0) and when the server's score is even, the server serves from the right service court. When the server's score is odd, the server serves from the left service court.
- If the server wins a rally, the server scores a point and then serves again from the alternate service court.
- If the receiver wins a rally, the receiver scores a point and becomes the new server. They serve from the appropriate service court – left if their score is odd, and right if it is even.
- **THE Top two players will compete in the FINALS.**

We accept the terms and conditions stated above.

Player / Captain Signature

Manager Signature

NOTE

The organizing committee, reserves the right to **DISQUALIFY/ REFUSE ENTRY** to **ANY TEAM/PLAYER** for previous transgressions that fails to up-hold the spirit of the game and abuses the sanctity of the premise they are playing within. If a team player/members' continuously argue with the referee, display inappropriate behavior or use any abusive language within the premise they are playing in, the entire team will be disqualified.

DO NOT PLAY THE GAME WITH INTENT TO HARM OR INJURE. PLAY WITH SPORTSMANSHIP AND RESPECT FOR YOUR OPPONENT PLAY THE BEAUTIFUL GAME, FOR THE LOVE OF THE GAME.

Incase of Any further enquiries regarding the games please contact the below persons.

Sport	Contact Person / Number
Football	Ashley 050 7570285/ Anil 050 9790268
Cricket	Delison 056 1741408
Basketball	Vipin 052 9591526
Volleyball	George 055 2515101
Badminton	Ashley 050 7570285