



Technical Regulations – Pickleball

1. EVENTS

This competition will be conducted during the 2024 Canada Deaf Games from May 8th – 10th, 2024, and will consist of the following 2 events:

- Mixed Pickleball Doubles 3.0 (Rotation Partners Format)
- Mixed Pickleball Doubles 3.5 (Rotation Partners Format)

2. PARTICIPANTS

2.1 Invitation to Participate

CDSA and the Organizing Committee will invite legal residents of Canada in good standing to participate in the competition.

2.2 Eligibility

2.2.1 Hearing Loss

Participation in the competition is restricted to athletes that are deaf and/or hard of hearing. To the contrary of the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf (ICSD) that restricts participation for athletes with a hearing loss of at least 55 decibels, CDSA encourages all participants that are Deaf and/or hard of hearing involved in the Deaf community to participate at the CDG. We leave the responsibility to Provincial Deaf Sports Associations (PDSA) to explain to their participants if they are eligible or not of events sanctioned by the ICSD.

2.2.2 Age

Athletes must meet the minimum age requirement for each event listed below:

- 14 years old as of May 8th, 2024

2.3 Number of Teams

A minimum number of teams (or athletes for single events only) to compete in each event listed below must be met:

- Mixed Pickleball Doubles 3.0 – 6 teams
- Mixed Pickleball Doubles 3.5+ - 6 teams

2.4 Number of Athletes per Team

A minimum/maximum number of athletes(s) per team is allocated to each event listed below:

- Mixed Pickleball Doubles 3.0 - 2 athletes
- Mixed Pickleball Doubles 3.5 - 2 athletes

3 COMPETITION RULES AND REGULATIONS

3.1 Technical Organization

Canadian Deaf Sports Association (CDSA) is responsible for the technical organization of the competition in conjunction with Pickleball Canada.

3.2 Technical Committee

The Technical Committee is comprised of the CDSA Technical Director and other members nominated by the CDG 2024 Organizing Committee and approved by CDSA:

Eric Nielson – CDSA Technical Director (Chair)

Grant Underschultz & **XXX TBC** – CDG 2024 Representative

3.3 Competition Rules

The competitions will be conducted in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of Pickleball Canada (version: [IFP - 2019 Official Tournament Rulebook](#)). In case of disagreement in the interpretation of the Rules and Regulations, the English text shall prevail.

3.4 Competition Equipment

All equipment used during competition must comply with the Pickleball Canada Rules and Regulations.

3.5 Competition Clothing

Participants must wear competitive uniforms in accordance with the Pickleball Canada Rules and Regulations.

3.6 Competition Schedule

The competition schedule for all events will be conducted under control of the Technical Committee and in accordance with the Pickleball Canada Rules and Regulations.

3.7 Officials

3.7.1 Appointment of Officials

The CDG 2024 Organizing Committee will appoint Technical Committee and an appropriate number of volunteers to conduct each event.

3.7.2 Allocation of Officials

Allocation of the officials to conduct the events will be decided and made by the Technical Committee.

3.8 Unforeseen Incidents

In the event of unforeseen incidents not covered by the rules and regulations, the Technical Committee will make a decision. In the absence of the Technical Committee, the CDSA Technical Director will make a decision.

4 COMPETITION VENUE

The competition will be conducted at at Toronto Metropolitan University in Kerr Hall Gymnasium in Toronto (Ontario).

5 SCHEDULES

5.1 Competition Schedule

To be announced by April 8th, 2024.

5.2 Training Schedule

The training will be held on Wednesday May 8th from XX:XX to XX:XX.

5.3 Technical Meeting

5.3.1 Date and Location

The technical meeting will be held at TBA on TBC.

5.3.2 Attendance

All eligible athletes and coaches are required to attend.

6 ADDENDUM

None

Notice: These Technical Regulations are subject to change.

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