TEQBALL WORLD SERIES'22 KRAKOW

EVENT GUIDE

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WELCOME MESSAGE

On behalf of the International Teqball Federation (FITEQ), we offer our warmest welcome to all the athletes, coaches and technical officials, as well as delegates participating in the second Teqball World Series in Krakow, Poland. The second Teqball World Series event of 2022 will feature the world's leading men's singles, women's singles; men's doubles, women's doubles and mixed doubles players in a milestone event for FITEQ in Krakow.

This event, the second of this kind, will provide the 145 athletes from 27 countries with opportunities to win \$100,000 prize money and to obtain world ranking points aswell, whilst giving fans all over the world a unique sporting experience. We believe that the Teqball World Series in Krakow will be memorable and exciting for both the participants and the wider sporting community, as well as for the spectators.

FITEQ would like to take this opportunity to express its appreciation and to thank the French Teqball Federation for jointly organizing this event, as well as to thank The European Games, the City of Kraków, PZTEQ -Polish Teqball Association for their support. We wish you all a fantastic competition!



I. ORGANISER AND KEY CONTACTS

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II. COMPETITION INFORMATION

EVENTS

- Men' Singles
- Women's Singles
- Men's Doubles
- Women's Doubles
- Mixed Doubles

COMPETITION VENUE

- Hala Cracovii (14-16 September) Aleja Marszałka Ferdynanda Focha 40, 30-119 Kraków, Poland
- Maly Rynek, Krakow, Poland (17 September)

DATE

• 14-17. September 2022



-TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

13 SEPTEMBER

ARRIVAL OF DELEGATIONS

13 SEPTEMBER

17:00-19:00	REGISTRATION
18:00-20:00	PRACTICE SESSION

14 SEPTEMBER

09:00-20:00	MEN'S SINGLES- GROUP STAGE
	WOMEN'S SINGLES – GROUP STAGE
	WOMEN'S DOUBLES – GROUP STAGE

15 SEPTEMBER

09:00-20:20 MEN'S SINGLES – KNOCKOUT STAGE (KO 64) MEN'S DOUBLES – GROUP STAGE WOMEN'S SINGLES – GROUP STAGE MIXED DOUBLES – GROUP STAGE

16 SEPTEMBER

09:00-20:20 MEN'S SINGLES – KNOCKOUT STAGE MEN'S DOUBLES – KNOCKOUT STAGE WOMEN'S SINGLES – KNOCKOUT STAGE WOMEN'S DOUBLES – KNOCKOUT STAGE MIXED DOUBLES – KNOCKOUT STAGE

17 SEPTEMBER

09:00-09:45	WOMEN'S DOUBLES - BRONZE MATCH
FOLLOWED BY	MEN'S SINGLES – BRONZE MATCH
11:00-11:45	WOMEN'S DOUBLES - FINAL
FOLLOWED BY	MEN'S SINGLES – FINAL
12:30-13:00	AWARD CEREMONY
13:00-14:00	LUNCH BREAK
14:00-	WOMEN'S SINGLES BRONZE MATCH
FOLLOWED BY	MIXED DOUBLES – BRONZE MATCH
FOLLOWED BY	MEN'S DOUBLES - BRONZE MATCH
FOLLOWED BY	WOMEN'S SINGLES - FINAL
FOLLOWED BY	MIXED DOUBLES – FINAL
17:30-	MEN'S DOUBLES – FINAL
18:15-18:45	AWARD CEREMONY

TOURNAMENT SYSTEM

The tournament will consist of a group stage and a knockout stage in all categories.

GROUP STAGE

• Best of 3 set games - the first team to reach 12 points, only the decisive set must be won by 2 clear points difference.

KNOCKOUT STAGE

- Best of 3 sets games, only the decisive set must be won by 2 clear points difference.
- Bronze game will be played by the losers of the semi-finals.
- Final will be played by the winners of the semi-finals.

QUALIFICATION RULES

In case of the same results between the teams the following guidelines and rules shall be applied to decide which team finishes higher:

- Direct result (in case of 2 teams);
- Results against each other with better set difference (in case of 3 or more teams);
- Results against each other with better point difference (in case of 3 or more teams);
- Results against the other teams of the group (sets, points);
- In case every result is the same, a coin toss will be made, and the winner finishes higher.

Lucky losers (best 3rd placed teams):

- Lucky losers are selected from the players, teams finished on third position in the groups.
- They are selected based on performance, and not by random draw

To determine the best 3rd places, we check the following principles:

- 1. Most match points
- 2. Most sets won
- 3. Better point difference
- 4. Most points won
- 5. Less points lost
- 6. Strength of groups as per the World Ranking of the teams

They are then randomly drawn against the highest seed positions on the knockout tables without taking care of collisions with players, teams from the same group.

COMPETITION FORMAT

Men's Singles:

85 athletes have been registered in the Men's Singles category.

According to the current Men's Singles World Ranking, the Top 16 athletes have been seeded and will proceed to the Knockout stage (Round of 64) without playing in the Group stage.

The rest of the athletes (69) have been randomly drawn into 23 groups of 3, with the best 1 athlete from each group proceeding to the Knockout stage (best of 64).

Women's Singles:

24 athletes have been registered in the Women's Singles category. The athletes have been randomly drawn into 8 groups of 3, with the best one athlete from each group proceeding to the Knockout stage (best 8).

Men's Doubles:

46 doubles have been registered for the Men's Doubles competition.

According to the current Men's Doubles World Ranking, the Top 4 doubles have been seeded and will proceed to the Knockout stage (Round of 16) without playing in the Group stage.

The remaining 42 teams have been randomly drawn into 6 groups of 4 and 6 groups of 3, with the best team from each group proceeding to the Knockout stage.

Mixed Doubles:

25 doubles have been registered for the Mixed Doubles competition. The teams have been randomly drawn into 1 group of 4 and 7 groups of 3. The best team from each group will proceed to the Quarter Finals.

Women's Doubles:

13 doubles have been registered for the Women's Doubles competition. The teams have been randomly drawn into 1 group of 4 and 3 groups of 3. The best team from each group will proceed to the Semi Finals.

ADDITIONAL RULES

- Warm-up time before the game: 1 MINUTE.
- Time out: ONCE every game. The teams/players do not change side after time-out but remain on their own half as before the Time-out.
- Break between the sets: 1 MINUTE. By entering the event, players agree to abide by The FITEQ Rules and Regulation of Teqball (can be found at www.fiteq.org).
- Call room/area: every athlete must be present there 10 minutes prior to their match otherwise they will receive a warning. After 3 warnings a walkover will be the penalty.

NEW WARNING SYSTEM

During the competition, referees will use cards to demonstrate disciplinary actions, to ensure visibility and understanding of the procedures. Disciplinary actions remain the same according to the rulebook:

• Unsporting conduct occurs when a player makes any inappropriate verbal remark or non-verbal gesture to the opponent players, team officials, referees, spectators or any

other stakeholders who are part of the match/tournament.

- If the Main Referee considers the player's conduct to be unsporting, they may sanction the player according to the following three steps:
- Verbal warning for unsporting behaviour, the Main Referee must issue a verbal warn ing to the offending player or team official, without awarding a point, unless the op posing player/team is clearly going to win the point. If the opposing player/team wins the point after unsporting conduct, the point must be awarded, and a verbal warning must be issued afterwards. The Main Referee may use their own words to explain the type of unsporting behaviour and then must warn the player that for the next similar action, a point will be awarded to the opponent player/team. – WARNING CARD
- Point awarded to the opponent player/team in teqball, referees do not use coloured cards. Where an unsporting behaviour takes place for a second time by the player/ team or team official, the Main Referee must award a point to the opponent player/ team and call out: "Second warning! Point to the opponent!" This step may be used several times if a player continues with unsporting behaviour.

- POINT TO THE OPPONENT CARD

- Dismissal in the case of an extreme offence or continuous unsporting behaviour, the Main Referee may dismiss a player by reporting them to the Competition Manager and/or the Chief Referee. The dismissal must be made by either the Competition Man ager or the Chief Referee. After the dismissal, the opposing player/team wins the match, but all previously earned points by the dismissed player remain valid.
- A warning or penalty incurred by any member of a team shall apply to the whole team.



WORLD RANKING

World Ranking points will be awarded as per Teqball World Series event with the bonus points system implemented as per the FITEQ World Ranking Policy.

Participating Nations

ALG, BRA, CAN, CMR, CZE, ESP, FRA, HUN, IND, ISR, ITA, KOS, KUW, LBN, LTU, MAR, MKD, NGR, POL, POR, ROU, SLO, SRB, SVK, TPE, TUN, UKR

Accreditation / registration

Athletes and delegations will receive an official accreditation pass to the Krakow World Series venues, and competition areas. The accreditation must be worn at all times and the holder of the accreditation can be asked to prove their identity during the competition at any time.

PLAYER ACCREDITATION WILL BE ON THE FOLLOWING OCCASIONS:

- before and during training session on 13 September 2022 (between 17:00 and 20:00 PM)
- from 8:00 to 10:00 AM on 14 September 2022
- from 8:00 to 10:00 AM on 15 September 2022

Every athlete must present a valid ID card/passport and must submit the jerseys/shorts as well for approval.

Practice opportunity – warm-up area

An outside warm-up area will be available during the whole competition where athletes can practice on four tables.

Please only use the warm-up facilities 60 minutes prior to your match in order to allow everyone to have enough time and space to practice.

Prize Money Allocation

According to FITEQ's new policy, 100% of the prize money won is allocated to the players.

Uniforms and accessories

All players and teams must provide their own sports clothing.

All players and teams must have a minimum of two (2) sets of shirts/jerseys, each of a different shade. Prior to each game, teams shall agree on their uniform. 'Home' team chooses first which jersey to wear. If no agreement is reached there will be a coin toss by the referee, after which the winning team shall choose their preferred colour. Team members must wear matching playing uniforms i.e. both players must wear the same type and colour shorts and jerseys as one another. Headbands, sweat- bands and religious headwear are permitted. Sunglasses and has are not permitted. All uniforms must be in line with the Equipment Regulations.



III. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Catering

Light snacks will be available for the athletes during the competition.

Medical room

FITEQ will provide a physiotherapist available for free of charge at the competition venue during competition hours.

Notification

Due to the immense number of applications and the dimensions of the facility, the group stages will be held on $18 \text{ m} \times 10 \text{ m}$ size FOPs, so that limitations are not necessary in any categories.

After the group stages the official FOP dimensions set in the Rules and Regulations of teqball are applicable.

