

ATHLETE'S GUIDE

PLAYERS: 211 NATIONS: 60

























WELCOME MESSAGE

Welcome to Thailand! On behalf of everyone at the International Teaball Federation (FITEQ), the Executive Board is delighted to see the global Teaball family gather in Bangkok for the flagship event of the world's fastest-growing sport. It has been a challenging year for us all, but this week is about celebrating our shared passion. We want to thank everyone in the global Teaball family for their efforts this year. This week is a reflection of all of your hard work, which has enabled us to reach this point in our collective journey. The world-class Banakok Arena is the ideal setting for our most prestigious event and the perfect way to end the year. Our thanks must also go to the Sport Authority of Thailand, National Sports Development Fund, the Teaball Association of Thailand, Bangkok Metropolitan, DafaNews, Snickers, Thailand Pool Tables, The Million Roses and the local and national authorities for their support in the staging of our World Championships. Last but by no means least, good luck to all our athletes and their teams. You have achieved so much to get this far, now you have the chance to turn your dream into a reality!

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II. COMPETITION INFORMATION

EVENTS

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

COMPETITION DATE

29 November - 3 December 2023

COMPETITION VENUE

29 November - 1 December - Hua Mak Stadium - OUTDOOR

(286 Ramkhamhaeng Rd, Hua Mak, Bang Kapi District, Bangkok 10240, Thailand)





2-3 December - Bangkok Arena - INDOOR

(Khok Faet, Nong Chok, Bangkok 10530, Thailand)



TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

28 NOVEMBER

15:00-17:00 ACCREDITATION

17:00-17:30 PRESS CONFERENCE/OFFICIAL DRAW

17:30-18:30 ITA CONFERENCE 18:00-20:00 TRAINING SESSION*

*There is a training schedule with designated timeslots for each nation.

29 NOVEMBER

08:00-08:30 ACCREDITATION

09:00-21:50 MEN'S SINGLES: GROUP STAGE + KO 32

WOMEN'S SINGLES: GROUP STAGE + KO 32

WOMEN'S DOUBLES: GROUP STAGE

30 NOVEMBER

09:00-19:35 MEN'S DOUBLES - GROUP STAGE + KO 32

MIXED DOUBLES - GROUP STAGE

1 DECEMBER

09:00-15:40 MEN'S SINGLES - KNOCKOUT STAGE (UNTIL SEMI-FINALS)

WOMEN'S SINGLES - KNOCKOUT STAGE (UNTIL SEMI-FINALS)
MEN'S DOUBLES - KNOCKOUT STAGE (UNTIL SEMI-FINALS)
WOMEN'S DOUBLES - KNOCKOUT STAGE (UNTIL SEMI-FINALS)
MIXED DOUBLES - KNOCKOUT STAGE (UNTIL SEMI-FINALS)

2 DECEMBER

12:30-21:00 MEN'S SINGLES – SEMI-FINALS, BRONZE MATCHES, FINALS WOMEN'S SINGLES – SEMI-FINALS, BRONZE MATCHES, FINALS

3 DECEMBER

10:00-22:00 MEN'S DOUBLES

- SEMI-FINALS, BRONZE MATCHES, FINALS

WOMEN'S DOUBLES

- SEMI-FINALS, BRONZE MATCHES, FINALS

MIXED DOUBLES - SEMI-FINALS, BRONZE MATCHES, FINALS





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.

KNOCK-OUT 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.

ADDITIONAL RULES

- · Warm up time before the game: 1 MINUTE.
- Time out: ONCE every game. The teams/players do not change side after timeout 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 Official Rules and Regulation of Teaball (can be found at www.fiteq.org).

WORLD RANKING

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





COMPETITION FORMAT

MEN'S SINGLES:

55 athletes have been nominated for the men's singles category. According to the current men's singles World Ranking, the top 8 athletes have been seeded and the remaining 48 athletes will be drawn into 11 groups of 4 and 1 group of 3. The top 2 teams from each group proceed to the knockout stage (KO32).

WOMEN'S SINGLES:

38 athletes have been nominated for the women's singles category. The athletes will be drawn into 2 groups of 4 and 10 groups of 3. The top 2 teams from each group proceed to the knockout stage (KO32). The winners of group A-H will get a BYE in the KO 32 and proceed automatically to the KO 16.

MEN'S DOUBLES:

45 teams have been nominated for the men's doubles category. The teams will be drawn into 9 groups of 4 and 3 groups of 3. The top 2 teams from each group proceed to the knockout stage (KO32). The winners of group A-H will get a BYE in the KO 32 and proceed automatically to the KO 16.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES:

27 teams have been nominated for the women's doubles category. The teams will be drawn into 3 groups of 4 and 5 groups of 3. The top 2 teams from each group proceed to the knockout stage (KO16).

MIXED DOUBLES:

38 teams have been nominated for the mixed doubles category. The teams will be drawn into 6 groups of 5 and 2 groups of 4. The top 2 teams from each group proceed to the knockout stage (KO16).







PARTICIPATING NATIONS

Algeria, Argentina, Armenia, Austria, Belgium, Benin, Brazil, Brunei, Bulgaria, Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, China, Chinese Taipei, Colombia, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Eswatini, France, Gambia, Germany, Great Britain, Greece, Guatemala, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Italy, Ivory Coast, Japan, Kosovo, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lebanon, Lithuania, Malaysia, Moldova, Montenegro, Nigeria, North Macedonia, Norway, Pakistan, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, RTA*, Republic of South Africa, Romania, Senegal, Serbia, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Slovakia, Spain, Thailand, Tunisia, Ukraine, United States of America

ACCREDITATION

Athletes and delegations will receive an official accreditation pass to the World Teqball Championships 2023 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.

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

PRACTICE OPPORTUNITIES - WARM UP AREA

Practice opportunities at the competition venue will be provided between 18:00 to 20:00 on the 28 of November on 14 tables. A separate warm-up area will be available during the whole competition on 6 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.





^{*}Russian Tegball Athletes

PRIZE MONEY

	SINGLES	DOUBLES
IST	10 000 USD	17 000 USD
2ND	7 000 USD	12 000 USD
3RD	5 000 USD	8 000 USD
4TH	3 000 USD	5 000 USD
5ТН-8ТН	1 000 USD	1800 USD
9TH-16TH	750 USD	1 350 USD



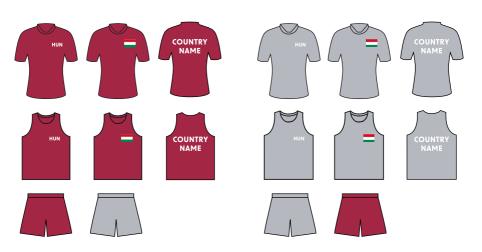


UNIFORMS AND ACCESSORIES

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. Non-compliance, failure to bring both jerseys, may result in fines ranging from 100 to 500 USD imposed by FITEQ. 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, sweatbands and religious headwear are permitted. Sunglasses and hats not permitted.

All uniforms must be in line with the Equipment Regulations.





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 warning to the offending player or team official, without awarding a point, unless the opposing 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
- 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 Manager 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.









III. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

CATERING

For countries that did not purchase the athlete package, complimentary water will be provided at the venue. Additionally, a food truck will be available for players to purchase food and soft drinks.

For countries that have acquired the athlete package, inclusive amenities consist of breakfast, lunch, and dinner with hotel transfers. It's important to note that breakfast will be served at the hotel, while lunch and dinner will be provided at the venue. On the 1st of December dinner will be provided in the Al Meroz Hotel.

MEDICAL ROOM

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

ATHLETE INSURANCE

FITEQ is committed to ensuring the safety and well-being of all players participating in the Teapball World Championships by providing comprehensive insurance coverage.

DARK ROOM SHOOTING/PLAYER BIO

It is mandatory for players who have emerged victorious in the quarter-finals and qualified for the semi-finals to promptly attend the shooting session, bringing both the home and away jerseys with them. Failure to appear on time in the darkroom or neglecting to bring both jersey may result in FITEQ excercising its right to impose a fine ranging between 100 and 500 USD on the player and their respective Federation. Additionally, FITEQ retains the right to disqualify the player for non-adherence to these requirements.

Participation in the dark room schedule is mandatory for the top 5 nations as well as the host nation. It is essential for participants to arrive on time for video shooting. FITEQ retains the authority to impose penalties, including fines of up to 500 USD or potential disqualification, in the event of non-compliance with the attendance requirement.

TOP 5 Nations and Thailand (Home Nation) available by clicking **HERE**.

FLOORING

29 November - 01 December: Sport Puzzle Mat (Outdoor Partially Covered) 02-3 December: Black Indoor Plastic Sport Floor





















