

School Sports Programme
2022 Easy Sport Competition – Mini-Tennis Competition

【Prospectus】

1. **Objective:** To offer former participants of the Easy Sport Programme – Mini-Tennis under the School Sports Programme (SSP) an opportunity for exchanges to develop their interest in Mini-Tennis, enhance their skills and gain experience in competitions.
2. **Eligibility:** The Competition is open to primary schools which participated in the Easy Sport Programme – Mini-Tennis between 1 September 2021 and 31 December 2022.

3. **Time and Venue:**

	Date	Time	Venue
Girls' Single	12 March 2023 (Sunday)	09:00am – 01:00pm	Fat Kwong Street Sports Centre (not air-conditioned)
Boys' Single		01:00pm – 05:00pm	9/F, Fat Kwong Street Sports Centre, 18 Good Shepherd Street, Ho Man Tin, Kowloon

4. **Division, Age and Quota:**

Division		Age as at 2022 (Year of Birth)	Quota
Girls' Single	A	9-10 (2012-2013)	32
	B	8 or below (2014 or onwards)	32
Boys' Single	A	9-10 (2012-2013)	32
	B	8 or below (2014 or onwards)	32

5. **Notes on application:**

- a. Each student may only represent one school and should be a current student of the school during the Competition.
- b. Participants may only enrol in the division appropriate to their age.
- c. Each school may enrol a maximum of 8 students in each division. Please indicate their priority on the application form.
- d. For efficient use of the resources, the Organiser may adjust the quota for each division in the light of application response. The quota of each division will be finalised on the ballot date. Participating schools/participants shall raise no objection.
- e. Places in each division will be evenly allocated to schools in the first round of processing. The remaining places that cannot be evenly distributed will be allocated by ballot.
- f. Please submit completed application forms by post or by fax (fax number: 2684 9076) to this Office.

- g. A list of successful applicants and payment details will be sent to the schools concerned by post.
 - h. The list of participants is not subject to change after payment has been completed.
6. Fee: \$30 per person
7. Application submission period:
9-23 December 2022 (The postmark date will be deemed the date of submission.)
8. Enrolment ballot:
The ballot will be held at Room G02, Leisure and Cultural Services Headquarters at 4 pm on 12 January 2023. Representatives of schools are welcome to attend. School allocated with places will be informed by post, while unsuccessful ones will not be notified. The ballot result will be posted on the following website on 19 January 2023:
http://www.lcsd.gov.hk/tc/ssp/competition_info/competition_info.html
If an Acknowledgement Receipt is not received within two working days before the ballot date (i.e. 10/1/2023), please contact our staff on 2601 7602 to check if we have received your application. Otherwise, we may not be able to process your application.
9. Payment period for successful applicants: 27 January – 10 February 2023
10. Payment period for successful waiting list applicants: 13-17 February 2023
11. Match Draw:
The match draw will be held at the Leisure and Cultural Services Headquarters (Rm G02) at 4 pm on 24 February 2023. Visitors are welcome. Letters will be sent to participating schools informing them of the results of the draw and reporting time. The relevant information will also be posted on the LCSD's web page on 3 March 2023:
http://www.lcsd.gov.hk/tc/ssp/competition_info/competition_info.html
12. Format:
- a. This will be a single elimination competition. Winners of the preliminary round will proceed to the final round.
 - b. Format of play:
 - i. Best of 3 Tie-Breaks to 7
 - ii. Two Serve
 - iii. The player who first wins seven points shall win this set and the match provided there is a consecutive margin of two points over the opponent
 - c. Change End
 - i. Players shall change ends after every 6 points
 - ii. Before the start of next tie break game there shall be a 30 seconds break
 - d. Unless otherwise stipulated in this prospectus, the existing rules employed by the Hong Kong Tennis Association will be adopted.
 - e. The Organiser has the right to change the format as necessary.

13. Reporting on Arrival:

- a. Participants shall report to the staff of the Organiser 15 minutes before the scheduled time of the match. Those who fail to show up within five minutes after the staff of the Organiser's roll call will be deemed to have waived their right to participate.
- b. Participants shall produce unambiguous proof of identity bearing photos, e.g. student handbooks, student cards, etc. to the staff of the Organiser on the competition day for verification.
- c. The competition schedule shall be as announced on-site.

14. Inclement Weather Arrangements

- a. In case the Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 8 or above, or Rainstorm Signal Red / Black is issued by the Hong Kong Observatory two hours before the reporting time for the first round of events on the competition day; or the Environmental Protection Department has announced that the Air Quality Health Index (AQHI) recorded at its general monitoring stations reaches 10+ ("Serious" health risk category) in the competition area; or the Education Bureau has announced the closure of schools, all events on the day will be cancelled. Participants will be notified of the corresponding arrangements. Under other weather conditions, all participants are required to report to the Organiser as scheduled. The umpires on the site shall decide whether the Competition should proceed or not.
- b. If the AQHI recorded at the general monitoring stations in the competition area reaches 10+ ("Serious" health risk category) during the Competition, all events in progress shall be **terminated immediately**.

15. Remarks:

- a. Participants shall wear proper sportswear and shoes with non-marking rubber outsoles during the Competition.
- b. Participants shall bring their own rackets. The length of a racket shall not exceed 58.5cm (i.e. 23 inches). Balls to be used in the Competition shall be provided by the Association.
- c. Participants who play in consecutive matches may take a break of 5 to 10 minutes between each match. The Organiser reserves the right to make arrangements according to actual circumstances. Participants shall not request postponement of matches on the grounds of fatigue.
- d. In case of a breach of the rules or regulations of the Competition or display of unsporting behaviour by a participant, the referee shall have the right to disqualify the participant from the Competition.

16. Awards:

- a. Each participant will receive a commemorative certificate.
- b. Certificates and trophies will be awarded to the champion, first, second and third runners-up and four merit award winners in each division. The prizes will be presented to the winners on the spot after the finals are completed.
- c. For participants who fail to show up for or complete any event, the Organiser has the right to revoke their eligibility for prizes and no trophies or certificates will be given to them.

17. Appeal:

No appeal will be accepted. The referees' decision on the competition results shall be final.

18. Enquiries:

School Sports Programme Unit, 1/F, Leisure and Cultural Services Headquarters, 1-3, Pai Tau Street, Sha Tin. (Telephone number: 2601 7602)

19. Precautions in response to the latest situation of COVID-19 :

Please refer to Appendix for details.

In case of any inadequacy in this Prospectus, the Organiser reserves the right to amend it at any time without further notice.