



## **VOLLEYBALL REGULATIONS**

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### **1. Organization**

- a. The Sports Department of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Maccabiah will be responsible for the Volleyball competitions of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Maccabiah.
- b. The Volleyball competitions will be conducted according to the last up to date rules of the International Volleyball Federation, the English text will be binding.
- c. Participation in the competition is open to any athlete who is in possession of a Participant Card, issued by the Organizing Committee of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Maccabiah and registered in the Volleyball competitions.
- d. Each country may enter one team for each of the following competitions:
  - 1) Open Male
  - 2) Open Female
  - 3) Masters Female (35+)
- e. Each country – except Israel – may enter two teams for each of the following competitions:
  - 1) U16 girls – born 2009-2010
  - 2) U18 girls – born 2007-2008
  - 3) U18 boys – born 2007-2010
- f. Each team may consist of a maximum of 14 players only.
- g. LIBEROS Among the selected Players, a number of specialist defensive Players - Liberos - are designated according to the following:
  - 1) For a team composed of 13 players or more: two Liberos.
  - 2) For a team composed of 12 players or less , up to two Liberos.
- h. Each team must bring two sets of game shirts in different colors to each game.

### **2. Venues and Times**

The Sports Department of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Maccabiah will determine the venues and times of the Volleyball competitions and teams will be notified accordingly.

### **3. Game Ball**

- a. The games will be played with MIKASA V200W balls.
- b. The Maccabiah Sports Department is authorized to change the brand name of balls, if necessary, and these decisions will be final.

### **4. System of Competition**

**SYSTEM A:** with the participation of up to 3 teams:

- a. The competitions will be played on a league basis of a double round robin league system.
- b. Criteria used to determine position:
  - 1) Matches won
  - 2) Points gained - Ranking for results, as follows: Game won 3-0 or 3-1: 3 points to winner 0 points to loser; Game won 3-2: 2 points to winner 1 point to loser.



- 3) In the event of two or more teams having the same number of points, classification will be made according to set quotients: won sets will be divided by lost sets.
  - 4) In the event that after the above mentioned, equality still exists between teams' classification will be made according to points quotient: won points divided by lost points.
  - 5) In the event that after the above mentioned, equality still exists between teams' classification will be made according to Head-to-head results.
  - 6) When the tie in point quotient is between three or more teams a new classification of these teams will be made taking into consideration only the matches in which they opposed to each other.
  - 7) In the event a tie still exists, classification will be determined by draw.
- c. The team placed 1 in the league and the team placed 2 will compete in the Final Game for the title: "22<sup>nd</sup> Maccabiah Champion".
  - d. The rest of the teams will be placed according to their league order.

**SYSTEM B: with the participation of 4-5 teams:**

- a. The competitions will be played on a league basis of a single round robin.
- b. Teams will be ranked according to their achievements, as described in SYSTEM A.
- c. In the event of two teams obtaining the same number of points, teams will be ranked in their groups according to their achievements as described in System A.
- d. The semi-final games will be played on the Cross system, i.e., the team placed 1<sup>st</sup> plays against the team placed 4<sup>th</sup> and the team placed 2<sup>nd</sup> will play against the team placed 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- e. The two winning teams in the Semi-Finals will play in the Final game for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> places, and the two losing teams in the semi-finals will play for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> places.
- f. The rest of the teams will be placed according to their league order.

**SYSTEM C: with the participation of 6-7 teams:**

- a. The competitions will be played on a league basis of a single round robin.
- b. Teams will be ranked according to their achievements, as described in SYSTEM A.
- c. The first two teams in the league will compete for the title: "22<sup>nd</sup> Maccabiah Champion".
- d. The teams placed 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> in the league will compete for the bronze medal.
- e. The rest of the teams will be placed according to their league order.

**SYSTEM D: with the participation of 8-12 teams:**

- a. The teams will be divided into 2 groups.
- b. Group A will be headed by the first team in the 21<sup>st</sup> Maccabiah.
- c. The second team in the 21<sup>st</sup> Maccabiah will head group B.
- d. The teams placed third in the 21<sup>st</sup> Maccabiah will be placed in-group B and the team placed fourth in the 21<sup>st</sup> Maccabiah will be placed in-group A. All the other teams will be placed in the groups by a draw.
- e. In the event that after the draw, one or more teams will not appear and a situation arises whereby a group is short of two teams, the team drawn last will be moved from one group to another.
- f. Teams will be ranked in their groups according to their achievements, as described in System A.





- g. The semi-final games will be played on the Cross Knock-out system, i.e., the team placed first in Group A will play against the team placed second in Group B and the team placed second in Group A will play against the team placed first in Group B.
- h. The two winning teams in the semi-finals will play in the final game for 1st and 2nd places, and the two losing teams in the semi-finals will play for 3rd and 4th places.
- i. When there are 8 teams the teams placed 3rd and 4th in each group will play on the same system as described in paragraphs g & h above for places 5-8.

**SYSTEM E: with the participation of 13-14 teams:**

- a. The competitions will be played on a league basis of a single round robin.
- b. The teams will be divided into 2 groups: The first team in the 21<sup>st</sup> Maccabiah will head group A. The second team in the 21<sup>st</sup> Maccabiah will head group B. The teams placed third and fourth in the 21<sup>st</sup> Maccabiah will be drawn for second place in the groups. All the other teams will be placed in the groups by a draw.

**REMARK:** If any of the top four (4)\*seeded teams (according to standings at the 21<sup>st</sup> Maccabiah) do not participate in the relevant competition at the 21<sup>st</sup> Maccabiah, then the vacancy or vacancies will be filled first by moving up the participating seeded teams and then the remaining vacancies of the top four seeded placements will be filled, in order, in accordance with the final standings at the 21<sup>st</sup> Maccabiah up to 8<sup>th</sup> place. Should there still be any vacancies the places will be filled by a draw among the remaining teams in the competition.

- c. In the event that after the draw, one or more teams will not appear and a situation arises whereby a group is short of two teams, the team drawn last will be moved from one group to another.
- d. Teams will be ranked in their groups according to their achievements, as described in SYSTEM A
- e. The first team in each group in the league will compete for the title: "22<sup>nd</sup> Maccabiah Champion".
- f. The teams in 2<sup>nd</sup> place in each group will compete for the bronze medal.
- g. The teams in 3<sup>rd</sup> place in each group will compete for the 5th place.
- h. The teams in 4<sup>th</sup> place in each group will compete for the 7th place.

**SYSTEM F: with the participation of 15 teams:**

- a. The competitions will be played on a league basis of a single round robin.
- b. The teams will be divided into 3 groups. Groups A, B and C will consist of 5 teams each.  
Group A: 1<sup>st</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> from the 21<sup>st</sup> Maccabiah.  
Group B: 2<sup>nd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> from the 21<sup>st</sup> Maccabiah.  
Group C: 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> from the 21<sup>st</sup> Maccabiah.

The rest of the teams will be seeded in the groups by a draw.

**REMARK:** If any of the top six (6) seeded teams (according to standings at the 21<sup>st</sup> Maccabiah) do not participate in the relevant competition at the 22<sup>nd</sup> Maccabiah, then the vacancy or vacancies will be filled first by moving up the participating seeded teams and then the remaining vacancies of the top six seeded placements will be filled, in order, in accordance with the final standings at the 21<sup>st</sup> Maccabiah up to 8<sup>th</sup> place. Should there still be any vacancies the places will be filled by a draw among the remaining teams in the competition.





- c. The teams will be placed accordingly in each group as described in SYSTEM A.
- d. The Quarterfinals will include 8 teams as follows:
  - 1) Teams placed first and second of each of the 3 groups, plus the two (2) best 3<sup>rd</sup> placed teams according to their record as described in System A.
  - 2) The Quarter Finals will be played on a knock-out system to be drawn as follows:  
The winners of Groups A (QF 1), B (QF 2), C (QF 3) and best runner-up (QF 4) according to System A (a + b), will each be drawn against the remaining 4 qualifying teams in such a way that they cannot be drawn against a team from the same group.
  - 3) The procedure to be followed is as follows: The names of the 3 group winners plus the best runner up will be put in bowl #1 and the remainder in bowl #2. One team is drawn out of bowl #1 and the team(s) in bowl #2 from the same group will be removed and the drawn made. The names of the team(s) removed from bowl #2 will then be replaced and the procedure repeated until all 4 games are drawn.
- i. In the Semi Finals teams will play as follows:
  - 1) Winner Quarter-final 1 – Winner Quarter-final 3
  - 2) Winner Quarter-final 2 – Winner Quarter-final 4
- j. Games for places 1 to 4 will be held as follows:
  - 1) Loser Semi-final 1 – Loser Semi-final 2 for places 3-4.
  - 2) Winner Semi-final 1 – Winner Semi-final 2 in the Final game for places 1-2.
- k. Parallel to the final or semi-final games, losers in the quarterfinals will play for places 5-8, as described in paragraph i. If a team does not fulfill its play-off game, the game will be awarded to its opponent.

**SYSTEM G: with the participation of 16 or more teams:**

- a. Teams will be divided into 4 groups with the 8 leading teams from the 21<sup>st</sup> Maccabiah heading the Groups as follows:  
Group A: 1st and 8th from the 21<sup>st</sup> Maccabiah.  
Group B: 2nd and 7th from the 21<sup>st</sup> Maccabiah.  
Group C: 3rd and 6th from the 21<sup>st</sup> Maccabiah.  
Group D: 4th and 5th from the 21<sup>st</sup> Maccabiah.

The rest of the teams will be seeded into the groups by a draw.

**REMARK:** If any of the 8 mentioned do not participate in the 22<sup>nd</sup> Maccabiah; their place will be taken by one of the other teams, chosen by a draw.

- b. The Quarter Finals will include 8 teams (the two first placed in the league) and will play in a Knock-out System as follows:  
1st Group A – 2nd. Group C  
1st Group B – 2nd Group D  
1st Group C – 2nd Group A  
1st Group D – 2nd Group B
- c. Semi-final games will be held in the “cross” system as follows:
  - 1) Winner 1 vs. Winner 2
  - 2) Winner 3 vs. Winner 4
- d. Games for places 1 to 4 will be held as follows:
  - 1) Loser Semi-final 1 - Loser Semi-final 2 for places 3-4.
  - 2) Winner Semi-final 1 - Winner Semi-final 2 in the Final game for places 1-2.



- e. Parallel to the final games, the loser's teams in the Quarterfinals will play in the same system for places 5-8.

- 1) Loser 1 vs. Loser 2
- 2) Loser 3 vs. Loser 4

## 5. **Draw**

The draw of the teams in the groups will be a public draw.

## 6. **Referees**

The Sports Department will select a Referees' Committee, which in turn will appoint the referees for all the games.

## 7. **General**

- a. These regulations are but one part of the complete 22<sup>nd</sup> Maccabiah regulations and must be read along with the instructions found in the Maccabiah Basic Regulations.
- b. In the event of a discrepancy between the regulations written here and those appearing in the Maccabiah Basic Regulations, the regulations written here will prevail, apply and be binding.

