



BEACH-FOOTBALL REGULATIONS

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1. Organization

- a. The Sports Department of the 22nd Maccabiah will be responsible for the Beach Football competitions of the 22nd Maccabiah.
- b. The Beach Football competitions shall be subject to the Beach Football Rules and Regulations of the F.I.F.A., and 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 22nd Maccabiah and is registered for the Beach Football competitions.
- d. Each team must bring two sets of game shirts in different colors to each game.

2. Teams

- a. Each country may enter one team only for the Open Male category.
- b. Each country – except Israel – may enter two teams for the U18 Boys (2007-2010) category.
- c. Each Open and U18 team may register up to 15 players and no less than 10. Prior to each game, a list containing the names of all eligible players, and which designates the starting 5 players, shall be submitted to the appropriate official. Any player on a team's roster, subject to game eligibility (i.e., discipline sanction, red card, etc.), may play in each game and sit on the team bench.
- d. Unlimited Rolling substitution of players during each entire game is permitted. In addition to eligible players, a maximum of three (3) registered coaches for the participating team in the game and a maximum of two (2) medical personnel are allowed to sit on the bench during the game.

3. Venues and kick-off times

- a. The Sport Department of the 22nd Maccabiah will determine the venues and kick-off times of the Beach Football competitions and teams will be notified accordingly.
- b. The Sports Department is authorized to change the venues and kick-off times of the competitions. These decisions will be final.

4. Game Ball

Tournaments will be played using one of the following:

- FIFA QUALITY
- FIFA QUALITY PRO
- IMS - INTERNATIONAL MATCH STANDARD

The Sports Department is authorized to change the brand name of balls, if necessary, teams will be informed accordingly, and these decisions will be final.

5. Discipline





Players will automatically be suspended as follows (no appeal will be allowed):

- a. Receiving a second caution card in the same match: the next game.
- b. Receiving a direct red card in a match: the next 2 games, except in the following cases, where the suspension will be only for the next game:
 - 1) Denying the opposition, a goal scoring opportunity by deliberately handling the ball.
 - 2) Denying an obvious goal scoring opportunity to an opponent moving towards the player's goal by an offence punishable by a free kick or a penalty kick.
- c. Being reported by the referee for misconduct after the match: the next 2 games.
- d. All the yellow cards that accumulated during the group stage are reset before the beginning of the knockout matches.

REMARK: A player who has been sent off from the pitch must leave the vicinity of the field of play and the technical area and may not sit on the bench.

6. **System of Competition:**

Following the group stage competitions, the ranking of teams will only be done for teams finishing 1-8.

SYSTEM A: With the participation of up to 3 teams:

- a. The competitions will be played on a league basis of double round robin. The winner of each game will be awarded three points, the loser no points and in case of a draw, each team will be awarded one point.
- b. The ranking shall be determined as follows:
 - 1) Greater number of points obtained.
 - 2) Goal difference in all matches.
 - 3) A greater number of goals scored in all matches.
- c. If two or more teams are equal based on the above three criteria, their place shall be determined as follows:
 - 1) Greater number of points obtained in the matches between the team concerned.
 - 2) Goal difference resulting from the matches between the teams concerned.
 - 3) Greater number of goals scored in the matches between the teams concerned.
 - 4) Drawing of lots by the Sports Department.
- d. The first two teams in the league will compete for the title: "22nd Maccabiah Champion".

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 in their groups 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 1st plays against the team placed 4th and the team placed 2nd will play against the team placed 3rd.
- e. 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.





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 in their groups according to their achievements, as described in SYSTEM A.
- c. The first two teams in the league will compete for the title: "22nd Maccabiah Champion".
- d. The teams placed 3rd and 4th in the league will compete for the bronze medal.
- e. The teams placed 5th and 6th will compete for 5th place.

SYSTEM D: With the participation of 8-12 teams.

- a. Teams will be divided into 2 groups by draw.
- b. The competitions will be played on a league basis of a single round robin
- 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 semi-final games will be played on the Cross system, i.e., the team placed 1st in Group A will play against the team placed 2nd in Group B and the team placed 2nd in Group A will play against the team placed 1st in Group B.
- f. 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.
- g. Teams placed 3rd and 4th in each group will play the same system for places 5-8.

7. Draw

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

8. Duration of Game

- a. Each Open game will last 36 minutes – three periods of 12 minutes **without time stop**. – with a break of 3 minutes.
- b. Each U18 will last 30 minutes – three periods of 10 minutes **without a time stop**. – with a break of 3 minutes.
- c. In the final stages (Quarterfinals, Semi-finals and Final), if after the 3 regular periods a game ends in a draw, extra time of 3 min' will be applied.
- d. If after the extra time the draw still exists, the winner of the game will be decided by a free-kick competition from the penalty mark. Each team will take five kicks alternately. The team to kick first will be decided by a draw.
- e. If both teams scored the same number of goals after 5 kicks from the penalty mark each, the kicks from the penalty mark will continue until such a time that both teams have kicked the same number of kicks, and one team scored a goal more than the other.
- f. Before the free kicks start, both teams need to agree on an equal number of players that will take part on the free kicks. All the players that listed on the match form are eligible to participate in the free kicks and all of them can take part in the first five free kicks and each kick will be taken by a different player. If the game is still undecided the rest of the players in the list, subject to game eligibility, will take part in the competition as well. A player will be





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9. Referees

The Sports Department will select a Referees' Committee, which in turn will appoint the referees of the competition.

10. General

- a. These regulations are but one part of the complete 22nd 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.

