



HANDBALL REGULATIONS

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1. Organization

- a. The Handball Committee of the 22nd Maccabiah will be responsible for the Handball competitions of the 22nd Maccabiah, subject to the approval of the Sport Department.
- b. The Handball competitions will be conducted according to the rules of the International Handball Federation. (I.H.F.)
- 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 Handball competitions.
- d. Each country may enter one (1) team for the men's open competition, one (1) team for women's competition.
- e. Each team for the Handball competitions may consist of 16 players and 4 officials.
- f. Each team must bring two sets of game shirts in different colors to each game.

2. Venues and times

- a. The sport department of the 22nd Maccabiah will determine the venues and times of the Handball competitions and teams will be notified accordingly.
- b. Each game will be played 60 minutes, 2 periods of 30 minutes each with a break of 10 minutes.

3. Game ball

The games will be played with balls as specified in the International Rules and Regulations.

4. System of competition

SYSTEM A: With the participation of three (3) teams:

- a. The competitions will be played on a league basis of a double round robin.
- b. The winner of each game will be awarded two points, the loser no points, and in case of a draw, each team will be awarded one point. In the event of technical loss, the result of the game will be 12-0.
- c. In a case that two (2) teams have accumulated the same number of points, the ranking will be determined as follows:
 - 1) If one (1) of the two (2) teams has won more points than its opponent in the games between them, it will be ranked first among them.
 - 2) In a case that both teams have accumulated the same number of points in the games between them, the team that has a better goal difference in the games between them will be ranked first among the two.
 - 3) In a case that the goal difference between the two aforementioned teams is also the same, the overall goal difference will determine their ranking.
 - 4) In a case that the overall goal difference is also the same, the higher number of qualifying goals will determine.
- d. In a case that three (3) or more teams have accumulated the same number of points in the ranking table, their ranking will be determined in an internal table as stated below:
 - 1) According to the number of points that each of the aforementioned teams has accumulated in games against its other rivals who have the same number of points.
 - 2) In a case that the number of points is also the same, the ranking will be determined according to the goal difference that each team has accumulated in games against its rivals.
 - 3) In a case that the goal difference is the same, the position will be determined according to the overall goal difference.



- e. The first two (2) teams in the league will compete for the title: "22nd Maccabiah Champion".

REMARK: In the case of a draw in the knockout games, definition will be according to the International Handball Rules.

SYSTEM B: With the participation of 4-6 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 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.
- d. 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.
- e. The rest of the teams will be placed according to their league order.

5. Draw

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

6. Referees

The Sport Department together with the Israel Handball Association will appoint the referees of the competition.

7. General

- a. These regulations are but one part of the complete 22nd Maccabiah Regulations and must be read along with the instructions found in "Basic Regulations and Disciplinary Procedures".
- b. In a case of a discrepancy between the regulations written here and those appearing in the "Basic Regulations", the regulations written here will apply and be binding.

