



MALDIVES TENNIS CHALLENGE 2022

TOURNAMENT RULES

Dates, Venue and Times

1. The Championships will be held from 15th to 21st November 2022.
2. The Championships will be held at the National Tennis Centre.
3. The matches of the Championships will be played on the following hours:
 - 07:00 – 23:00hrs

Scheduling of Matches

1. The organizing committee reserves the rights to schedule the matches of the Championship.
2. The match schedule for the following day of play will be posted on the Tournament notice board at the National Tennis Centre, latest, by 21:00hrs of the previous day.
3. All players are expected to check their match time and report to their match on time.
4. If a player/pair fails to report to their match on the scheduled time, the match will be awarded to player/pair who reported on time, after giving a 5-minute period.
5. If both players/pairs fail to report to a match on time, then both players/pairs will forfeit the match.

Re-scheduling matches

Requests to reschedule a match will not be entertained.

Recovery time in between matches

If a player has to play two or more scheduled matches a day, the Tournament Referee, shall provide recovery times in between matches, according to the following schedule:

Duration of Previous Scheduled Match	Eligible Break Time
More than 3 hours	2.5 hours
Between 2- 3 hours	1.5 hours
Between 1- 2 hours	1 hour
Less than 1 hours	30 minutes

Umpiring and Disciplinary Action

1. The Tournament Organizing Committee will arrange umpires for the matches as per published Schedule 1.
2. All players are expected to respect the umpire assigned for the match by the Tournament Organizing Committee and the decision of the umpire is final.
3. The ITF point penalty will be applied during the match to player's showing dis-respect to the umpire and lines persons. Depending on the nature of offence, the Tournament Disciplinary Committee may choose to take additional disciplinary action.

Tournament Director

Mr.Kumar Adhikari

Tournament Referee

Mr. Dharaka Ellawala

Tournament Organizing Committee & Officials

1. Mohamed Ameen, Vice President, TAM
2. Yusuf Riza, General Secretary, TAM
3. Hassan Shaam, Technical Director
4. Kumar Adhikari, Tournament Director
5. Dharaka Ellawala, Tournament Referee
6. Ahmed Ifshad, Administrator, TAM
7. Ivo Fonseca, Coach, TAM

Tournament Disciplinary Committee

1. Dharaka Ellawala, Tournament Referee
2. Ignaz Mansoor, TAM
3. Ibrahim Khalid, TAM
4. Hassan Shaam, Technical Director, TAM
5. Mohamed Fazeeh, TAM

Doubles Draw

Doubles pairs will consist of a player from the host country and a foreign player. Doubles pairing will be decided by a toss. The doubles will be played on a knock-out format.

Waiver of Claims

All players entering the Maldives Tennis Challenge 2022, as a condition of their entry, must sign a waiver of claims. Thereby agreeing that no claims can be brought against the tournament organiser (Tennis Association of Maldives), with respect to any injuries (however caused), or any losses incurred, while travelling to and from, or participating in the championships. It is therefore recommended that all players have adequate medical insurance cover, which cannot be provided by TAM.

General

1. No players/ parents/ coaches and spectators are allowed to stay on the playing area once the match is commenced.
2. Access to the playing area is only allowed for the officials of the tournament organizing committee, players with scheduled matches for the day and the umpires assigned by the Tournament Referee for the matches.
1. In the event of a medical break taken by a player, physio will be provided.
2. No players/ parents/ coaches and spectators are allowed to communicate with the player(s), once the match is commenced. These include giving any instructions to players during the course of the match or applaud while a point is being played.
3. Coaches and parents failing to honor this rule may be advised by the Umpire or Tournament Referee. Umpires and the Tournament Referee/ Director have the right to instruct parents and coaches to leave the tournament venue for the match in the event of repeated noncompliance to this rule.

4. Any complaints against any tournament officials or umpires may be brought to the attention of the organizing committee, through the Tournament Referee/ Director.
5. If the matches scheduled are disrupted due to any unforeseen event, the Tournament Referee/ Director in consultation with the Organizing Committee have the right to revise the format of play until the normal schedule is reached.
6. The general rules, pertaining to the type of balls, court size, match length, age eligibility cut off dates etc. to be applied for the various categories of play in the tournament draw are included in Schedule 1.

Extraordinary Circumstances

Notwithstanding any clause in this Rules Book, Tournament Referee/ Director in consultation with the Tournament Organizing Committee, reserve the right to amend the rules, where an unforeseen situation/circumstance not covered in the Rules arise.

SCHEDULE 1						
Age Group	Age Eligibility	Balls	Court Size	Match Length	Draw	Umpires
12 and Under Boys Singles	Born after 1st January 2010	Normal Tennis Balls	Full court	-Standard set - No advantage rule. - best of three sets, if 1 set all, super tie-break	Round Robin	All matches
12 and Under Boys Doubles	Born after 1st January 2010	Normal Tennis Balls	Full court	-Standard set - best of three sets, if 1 set all, super tie-break	Knock Out	All matches
12 and Under Girls Singles	Born after 1st January 2010	Normal Tennis Balls	Full court	-Standard set - No advantage rule - best of three sets, if 1 set all, super tie-break	Round Robin	All matches
12 and Under Girls Doubles	Born after 1st January 2010	Normal Tennis Balls	Full court	-Standard set - best of three sets, if 1 set all, super tie-break	Knock Out	All matches
14 and Under Boys Singles	Born after 1st January 2008	Normal Tennis Balls	Full court	-Standard set - No advantage rule - best of three sets, if 1 set all, super tie-break	Round Robin	All matches
14 and Under Boys Doubles	Born after 1st January 2008	Normal Tennis Balls	Full court	-Standard set - best of three sets, if 1 set all, super tie-break	Knock Out	All matches
14 and Under Girls Singles	Born after 1st January 2008	Normal Tennis Balls	Full court	-Standard set - No advantage rule - best of three sets, if 1 set all, super tie-break	Round Robin	All matches
14 and Under Girls Doubles	Born after 1st January 2008	Normal Tennis Balls	Full court	-Standard set - best of three sets, if 1 set all, super tie-break	Knock Out	All matches
Junior Open Boys Singles	Born be-tween 1st January 2001 & 31st December 2011	Normal Tennis Balls	Full court	-Standard set - Advantage rule - best of three sets, - if 1 set all and if final set 6-6, standard tie-break	Round Robin	All matches
Junior Open Boys Doubles	Born be-tween 1st January 2001 & 31st December 2011	Normal Tennis Balls	Full court	-Standard set - Best of three sets, if 1 set all, super tie-break	Knock Out	All matches
Junior Open Girls Singles	Born between 1st January 2001 & 31st December 2008	Normal Tennis Balls	Full court	-Standard set - best of three sets , - if 1 set all and if final set 6-6, standard tie-break	Round Robin	All matches
Junior Open Girls Doubles	Born be-tween 1st January 2001 & 31st December 2011	Normal Tennis Balls	Full court	-Standard set - Best of three sets, if 1 set all, super tie-break	Knock Out	All matches