

## PLAYING SYSTEM

## Team Events

There will be 2 stages. Stage 1 will be played in a round robin basis (groups of 3 teams). Stage 2 will be played in a progressive knock out basis.

Stage 1 (teams seeded 1 to 4 are exempt from Stage 1):
Teams seeded 5 to 8 will be placed in groups $A$ to $D$ following the order of ranking. Seed 5 goes to Group A, Seed 6 to group B, Seed 7 to group C and Seed 8 to group D.
Teams seeded 9 to 12 will be drawn to position 2 in groups A to $D$ using the modified snake system 2 by 2 : teams seeded $9^{\text {th }}$ and $10^{\text {th }}$ will be drawn between groups $C \& D$. Teams seeded $11^{\text {th }}$ and $12^{\text {th }}$ will be drawn between groups A \& B.
Teams seeded 13 to $\mathbf{1 6}$ will be drawn to position 3 in groups A to D using the modified snake system 2 by 2: Teams seeded $13^{\text {th }}$ and $14^{\text {th }}$ will be drawn between groups $A \& B$. Teams seeded $15^{\text {th }}$ and $16^{\text {th }}$ will be drawn between groups C \& D.

Stage $\mathbf{2}$ will be played as a progressive knockout, playing for all positions with the exception of the match for $3^{\text {rd }}$ and $4^{\text {th }}$. The 2 losing teams in the semifinals will be awarded equal third position and bronze medals.

## Stage 2A

Winners of Stage 1 advance to Stage 2A to determine positions 1 to 8 . Seed 1 will be placed in position 1, Seed 2 placed in position 8 and Seeds 3 and 4 drawn between positions 4 and 5 . The winners of groups A-B-C-D will be drawn at random into positions 2,3,6,7.

## Stage 2B

Teams finishing in second and third position in groups A-D advance to Stage $2 B$ to determine positions 9 to 16. Teams finishing in second position in Stage 1 will be drawn into positions 1, 4, 5 and 8 of Stage 2B. Third position teams in groups A-D will be drawn into positions 2, 3, 6 and 7 and into the opposite halves of the teams that finished runnerup in the same groups. Winners of the first round will play for positions 9-12 and losers for positions 13-16.

All matches will be played to determine positions from $9^{\text {th }}$ to $16^{\text {th }}$.
All matches in the team events will be the best of five games. Matches will be played as best of 5 singles matches $(A \vee X, B \vee Y, C \vee Z, A \vee Y \& B \vee X)$

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## Singles Events

The first stage will be played in a round robin basis in groups of 4 and 3 players. One player will advance from each group to the second stage. The top 16 seeded players advance directly to the second stage, which will be a knockout draw of 32 players. All singles matches will be the best of 7 games.

## Doubles Events

All events will be played on a knockout basis. Matches will be the best of 5 games.

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