

TENNIS

4TH December – 15th December 2017

Ignite the Spirit Within!

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1. Introduction and Welcome

Welcome to Port Vila, Vanuatu - the home of the 2017 Pacific Mini Games.

We are excited to host one of the biggest sporting events in our city with more than 1500 Athletes and Team Officials from 14 Sports including Disability from 2 Sports. We have 77 athletes who have entered to participate in the Tennis Competition.

We have put Athletes and Sports at the heart of our work. We have always believed that if we get our preparations right for Athletes then by implication we will get it right in every other aspect.

We are also eager to give you the best facilities, organisation and support so that your Athletes can compete at their best.

We admire your dedication to your Sport and acknowledge and appreciate all your efforts in preparing your team to compete to the best of their ability at the VAN2017 X Pacific Mini Games from 4-15 December 2017.

We are keen to provide an opportunity for dreams to be realised and for great sporting moments in the history of this Games to be created.

Therefore, let us thank you from the outset for the invaluable assistance your teams have already provided to the Games Organising Committee and for our even closer collaboration during the preparation for the Games.

We are delighted to present the Sport Technical Handbook for the 2017 Pacific Mini Games. This hand book will provide you with details of the technical arrangements for your Sports and various elements of the Games that affect you. It will be the source of reference during the Games.

Our dedicated Games staffs are here to assist you should you have any questions or queries. During the games time you can also seek further guidance from our Sports Information Centre located at the Korman multisport complex and or at the Athletes Centre (National Convention Centre).

Enjoy the great Games and we hoped that you enjoy the pure exhilaration and amazing celebrations of 24 colourful nations from the Pacific.

Mr. Clint Flood, CEO VAN2017

2. Organisation

OFFICIAL IMPORTANT CONTACTS 2.1.

2.1.1 Vanuatu Tennis Association (VTTF)

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2.1.2. Key Competition Management

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Assistant Sport Competition Manager (ACM): Mrs. Olga Tari (Vanuatu)

Ballkids Head Coordinator: (M) 53 289 39

Team Leader: (M) 53 289 64

Tennis Sport Information Desk: (M) 53 289 65

2.1.3 Competition Technical Officials

Referee: Mr. Steve Gibson (Australia) Chiefs of Officials: Mr. Willie Quan (Australia)

2.1.4 Other Match Officials

The following will be officiating the Tennis Competition during the Mini Game:

- Caroline Dupey (New Caledonia) - Pierre Messionier Louis (New

- Ching (Wanging) Evans (New Zealand) Caledonia)

- Heather Lorraine Gibson (Australia) - Rufino Pineda (Vanuatu) - Janice Catherine Quan (Australia) - Sachin Shailendra (Fiji)

- Krishneel Kumar (Fiji) - Tony Brosnahan (New Zealand)

- Magette Maling-Cope (New Zealand)

2.1.5 Tournament Management

Belinda Strid **Logistic Coordinators:** Mr. Nelson Auguste Logistics Officers: Auguste Kasten Jess Maleb Moli Noel Jessica Simon Nathan David

Rony Sam

Media Liaison: Jason Abel

Results: Marlin Hannam Emma Maucotel Ella Pechan

Transport Coordinator: Vavai Leighton

Ballkids Head: Patricia Kalpokas Ballkids Assistant: Johnny Kanegai

Ballkids Coordinators:

Tom Kalmet Christopher Tarianga Alfredo Duvu Jonas Vuti

Marco Tataki Georgina Kendrith Tania Ngwele Delinson Tari

Gladisha Tari Caroline Lewatu Loughman Christilika Mary Mala

The Tennis Technical Meeting will be convened on Sunday 3rd December, 2017 at 17h00, at the Athlete Centre (National Convention Centre).

3. Competition Management

3.1. List of Events

The Pacific Mini Games Tennis Competition shall consist of the following events:

Event	4/12	5/12	6/12	7/10	8/12	9/12	10/10	11/12	12/12	13/12	14/12	15/10
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^{*} Dates of Finals and Medal Ceremonies

All Tennis events included on the sports program are in accordance with the PGC Charter Regulation 5.

3.2 Participating Countries - 2017 PG Tennis Competition * Team

	Country	Male	Female	Total
1 2	Fiji	5	4	9
2	Kiribati	5	4	9
3	New Caledonia	77	5	13
4	Norfolk Island	1	1	2
5	Papua New Guinea	3	0	3
6	Samoa	3	4	7
7	Solomon Islands	4	5	9
8	Tahiti	7	5	12
9	Tonga	5	4	9
10	Tuvalu	4	0	4
11	Vanuatu	5	4	9
	Grand Total	37	40	77

^{* (}as of 23/10/2017)

The Tennis Club and competition courts at Korman will be available for teams to do their training. There will be one (1) hour time slots that each team can signup on a daily basis and Team Managers will have to book their tennis courts for practice and warm-up a day in

advance either at the Competition Centre or at the Training Centre (VNTC). Training venues opens on the 30th of November and closes during the last day of competitions. Training venues will be opens every day and runs from 7:30am through to 18h00.

4. Competition Information

4.1. Entries

4.1.1. Entries

All athletes wishing to compete in the VAN2017 Pacific Mini Games must comply with the current Pacific Mini Games Charter with entry requirements as specified in the PGC Charter; Protocol 7.

4.1.2. Maximum Entries

The maximum number of players required for each team is – 4 men and 4 women. (see annexes).

4.1.3. Entry by Name_(Protocol 7.11 - 7.15)

Fully completed Entry by Name Forms for each potential competitor must be received from the Pacific Games Council Member Country at least 45 days before the opening of the Games which is 20th October 2017.

4.1.4. Final Entries (Protocol 7.16 -7.21)

The names of competitors finally entered for each event shall be confirmed to the Organising Committee at the Delegation Registration Meeting (DRM) at least 48 hours prior to the official opening of the Games (Protocol 7.16).

Only those competitors whose names appear on the individual entry forms shall be eligible for final confirmation of participation (Protocol 7.17).

When a competitor is injured after being included in the Final Entries Forms, a substitute may be nominated on production of a medical certificate established by the doctor designated by the Games Organising Committee provided this nomination is made before midnight preceding the opening event of the tournament in which the injured competitor would have taken part. The substitute's name must have been entered in the Individual Entries Forms of that sport. (Protocol 7.18). Each Pacific Games Association shall be required to ensure that Article 8 is observed with regard to the selection and management of its team (Protocol 7.19).

4.2 Competition Method

The competition will be in accordance with relevant rules of OTF as approved by the OTF AGM on the 10th April 2016.

A total of 7 competitions will be organised:

1. Team Men

4. Men Doubles

6. Men Singles

2. Team Women

5. Women Doubles

7. Women Singles

3. Mixed Doubles

4.3 Competition Rules and Regulations

The sport of Tennis will be conducted in accordance with the technical rules of its IF current at the time of staging of the Games unless the Council is of the opinion that it is impractical to do so

International Federation Laws and Regulations of the ITF will be followed and strictly adhered to.

The Pacific Mini Games Council shall have complete control of the Policy of the Games as stated in the PGC Charter; Protocol 15.1. However, the International Federations of all sports on the Games Program, in association with the Technical Committee shall have technical control of the organization of their respective sports in accordance with the IF Rules.

The conduct and organizations of the Sport Competitions in the programme of the Games is in accordance with the IF Rules and under the authority of the Organizing Committee PGC Charter; Protocol 16.1.

In cases of disputes the Pacific Games Council decision shall be final.

- **4.3.1** Matches will be played in accordance with OTF as approved by the OTF AGM on the 10th April 2016.
- **4.3.2** Matches will be recorded in accordance with OTF sanctioned rules & regulations.
- **4.3.3** Athletes and officials must be accredited to represent their country to take part in the VAN2017 X Pacific Mini Games Tennis competition.
- **4.3.4** Athletes and officials must only access areas in the competition venue according to the section corresponding number that appears on their accreditation cards.
- **4.3.5** Athletes must wear their nominated uniform colours which was accepted and endorsed by the VAN2017 Technical Committee.

4.3.6 Dress Code

All competitors shall participate in national uniform and the Medal Ceremony is considered part of the competition.

4.3.7 Medal Ceremonies

In conformity with regulation 23 of the Charter, the Medal Ceremonies will be held after the finals.

Each Athlete is requested to wear the official sports uniform of her/his delegation to attend the Medal Ceremony.

Before a medal ceremonies, there will be a cue to spectators to announce that a medal ceremony is about to take place. This will be traditional music of about 15 seconds. When winning athletes and medal presenters are ready, the Medal team leader will indicate to Sports Presentation and a walk in music will be played. Before medals are presented, there will be a 1 minute celebration performance for the winning athletes and straight after, the presenters will present the winning medals to athletes, followed by the National anthems. A small time will be allowed for photographs at the podiums, before the walk out music will be played which is the cue for the athletes and presenters to leave the podium.

Athletes will be presented a medal and a tree sapling to promote the VAN 2017 legacy program for the environment.

4.4 Competition Procedures

4.4.1 Confirmation of Participation

Under the supervision and direction of the Technical Delegate, all teams must follow sanctioned protocols regarding team registration and pre-match and post-match procedures. All these procedures will be informed at the Technical Meeting on the 3rd of December.

The Team Manager must submit the final list of competitors to the Referee.

4.4.2 Arrival at Korman Multi Sport Complex

The Team Manager or their representative must confirm to the Competition Management their Team List at the Referee office.

Team Managers must ensure that their athlete's accreditation card is presented with the team list to the Technical Delegate in the official stand before the match commences.

4.4.3 Warm-Up

Teams can warm up with equipments at the warm up area at the tennis warm-up courts.

Teams will be allowed to Warm-Up on tennis courts prior to their games in adherence to the Playing Protocol.

4.4.4 Accreditation

No athlete will take the court if his/her accreditation card is not presented.

4.4.5 Call-Up Procedure

The Technical Delegate and Referee Delegate will notify the teams over a PA system on commencement of each match protocol after FOP preparations are over.

4.4.6 Matches

All singles Matches in both Individual and Teams Event will be the best of 3 Tie-Break Sets.

In all Doubles Matches No-Advantage scoring shall be used throughout the match and when the score is one set all, one (1) match Tie-Break game (10 points) shall be played to decide the match. The exception to this will be the Teams Events when all Doubles Matches will be the best of 3 Tie-Break Sets with standard scoring.

4.5 Protests, Appeals & Arbitration Procedures

The Technical Delegate will head the Arbitration process. He will be assisted by the SCM & Team Leader. Protests & Appeals will be deliberated on according to ITF process & PG Charter. Protests or appeals must only be done and confined to instances of breach of the competition rules and regulations. Any escalation of protest or appeal will be done at the discretion of the Technical Delegate.

4.6. Athletes Team Uniforms

During competition, all athletes must compete in their official team uniform. Unless otherwise approved by the executive board, athletes should attend Medal Ceremonies in their official team tracksuit and appropriate footwear, even if the Medal Ceremony is the day following their medal match for any reason.

5. Competition Venue

5.1 Korman Multi Sport Complex

The VAN2017 X Pacific Mini Games Tennis Competition will be played at the Korman Tennis Competition Courts. The venue is consisted of 6 new outdoor courts with one central championship court surrounded by permanent seating. The other 5 courts with mixed seating.

The Korman Multisport Complex will play host to 12 sports and 2 Para, of 14 sports in the Van 2017 X Pacific Mini Games.

5.2 Travel Time

The Korman Multi Sport Complex is 3 kms from the Athlete Centre and is approximately 15 mins journey time by road.

5.3 Facilities

The venue will provide the following facilities:

- Competition and warm up courts
- Athletes' break area
- Ballkids and coordinators' tents
- Official stands for results collection
- Administration and Media boot
- Services of food, ice and water
- Security
- Washrooms and toilets

5.4 Technical Details

The field of play (FOP) will contain:

- International standard field;
- ITF sanctioned playing surface of concrete surface on all courts;
- ITF sanctioned lines / nets:
- International Standard Referees stand.

5.5 Sports Information Centre

Sports specific information for Tennis will be available at the Tennis Sports Information Desk (SID), located in the vicinity of Tennis courts as well as the Sport Information Centre. Both SICs & SID will offer daily competition schedules or draws, start lists, competition results, point ladder and other necessary sport specific information as required. Team officials are responsible to ensure that they consult the SID / SIC regularly for information pertaining to their teams (see 7.2.1).

Other non sports information, accreditation issues, training, meals, transportation, security, and any other information can be obtained or discussed at the SID / SIC (see 7.2.1).

6. Training Venue

6.1 Availability

All Van2017 Training Venues opens from the 30th November through to the last day of each sport competition. All training venues will open from 07:30am – 18:00 (See 3.3) for Tennis official trainings.

6.2 Amendment and booking of Training Venue

Upon arrival in Port Vila, each team will have to book their tennis courts at the Tennis SID. Please note that there may be changes to bookings and if changes occur, teams concerned will be notified.

The main Sport Information Centre (SIC) is located at the Korman Multi Sport Complex (K1) and an additional SIC will be located at the Athlete Centre. There will also be a Sport Information Desk (SID) at the Tennis FOP.

7. Information

7.1 Information prior to 4th December 2017

PGAs requiring any information or clarification should contact the relevant Sports Competition Manager.

7.2 Information from 4th December 2017

The main Sport Information Centre (SIC) is located at the Korman Multi Sport Complex (K1) and an additional SIC will be located at the Athlete Centre. There will also be a Sport Information Desk (SID) at the Tennis FOP.

7.2.1 Sports Information Centre

The Sports Information Centre (SIC) will operate from 07:30am – 21:00pm for PGAs, Team Manager and Coaches to access sports and other non-sports information.

The two Centres will offer daily competition schedules and results, medal tallies and some of the services offered by the sports Information Desk at the Host Hotel. Team officials are responsible to ensure that they consult the SICs and SIDs regularly for information pertaining to their teams.

During hours of operation SIC will provide Chefs de Mission, Team Managers, Team Officials, Athletes and the General Public with critical information specifically relating to competition and trainings for each of the 14 Sports. Public will not have access to the Sports Information Centre at the Athletes Centre.

The SIC will be staffed by Volunteers who can liaise directly with relevant Sports Information Desks (SID), to provide a one-stop sport and non-sport information and troubleshooting service to Team Officials and their technical staff.

The Sports Information Centre will provide all sports information and results. Other general services offered by the information centre are:

- Distribution of technical information, such as results, start lists, competition schedules.
- Distribution of information regarding technical meetings, seeding and draws, Technical Officials appointments, training sessions, transport arrangements.
- Procedures for PGAS to book/amend training sessions.
- Procedures for PGAS to declare training sessions open to the media and for advising media on a daily basis of any "open" training sessions.
- Providing communication links between competition venue, Competition Management and Teams.
- Receipt and authorization of requests for Athlete Venue Meals (AVMS).
- Co-ordination of sports and other information for PGAS.

7.2.2 Meal hours and water

a) Meals

The three (3) different meal hours are as follow:

Breakfast 5:30 to 9:00
Lunch 11:00 to 14:30
Dinner 16:30 to 22:00

b) Water

- Two (2) bottles of water will be given to the athletes during each meal hour.
- There will be bottles of water given to the athletes competing at the Field Of Play (FOP).
- Also, please note that our tap water is drinkable and free. That is where all Ni-Vanuatu get their water from.

7.3 Results

Results will be going online 15 minutes after the games ends. The results will be scanned and sent to the results centre. This will be posted on Tennis medal tally page and the General page for results update. The Results Process will be done electronically.

Results will be posted at the SICs and SIDs.

8. Medical & Media

8.1 Medical

Medical Services will be provided as follows;

8.1.1 Central Polyclinic

The Pacific Mini Games Polyclinic will be located at the Central School Kindergarten building near the road just near the Athlete Centre at the Vanuatu National Convention Centre (VNCC) in Port Vila Vanuatu.

The Polyclinic will provide free nursing, physiotherapy and medical services to all the athletes.

Ice, water, taping and massage will be available at the Polyclinic.

A medical doctor will manage the Polyclinic.

Staffs will be on duty as follows;

- Morning shift is from 7a.m. -3p.m.
- Evening shift is from 3p.m.-10p.m.
- At night times from 10p.m.-7a.m. all emergency calls from each villages are to be referred to the Village Den Mother to call the On-call Polyclinic Doctor on duty.

8.1.2 Polyclinic Ambulance

The VMF Green coloured Ambulance 1 with its medics team will be stationed at the Central School Polyclinic.

Staffs will be on duty in two shifts per day.

- Morning shift is from 7a.m. -3p.m.
- Evening shift is from 3p.m.-10p.m.
- At night times from 10p.m.-7a.m. all emergency calls from each villages are to be referred to the Village Den Mother to call the On-call Ambulance Medics on duty.

8.1.3 Other Game Villages

New Caledonia Medical doctor & Physiotherapist will assist the other countries with no Doctors staying at Lycée village. PNG medical team doctor & Physiotherapist will assist the countries with no doctors staying at VIT village. Vanuatu medical team doctor and Physiotherapist will assist the other countries with no doctors staying at Fresh-Wota Village.

8.1.4 Medical Waste

All medical consumables waste will be disposed off by the Nurse logistics responsible for disposing waste at the Vila Central Hospital Incinerator building. All team Doctors, Physiotherapists and Nurses are to ensure the clinic medical consumables are packed in disposable bags separately from other garbage.

8.1.5 The Sports Medicine Clinic

The Sports Medicine clinic will be located at the Korman Complex Venue 1. The Sports Medicine Clinic will provide free medical, physiotherapy and nursing services to the athletes before, during and after their games. Ice and water will be available at the field of play. Ice, water, taping and massage will be available at the Korman Sports Medicine Clinic. A medical doctor will manage will the Sports Medicine Clinic.

Nurse logistics are to ensure the clinic medical consumables waste are packed in disposable bags separately from other garbage and to be disposed at the Vila Central Hospital Waste Incinerator building.

8.1.6 Medical Mobile Team

A medical mobile team comprising of Nurses and First Respondents will be assigned to the field of play when the tournament is on. The team will be at the field of play 30 minutes before the game to attend to Referee brief.

In case of serious injury the Ambulance & Medics team will be called in to assist.

8.1.7 Doping Control Program (Drug Testing)

The Oceania Regional Anti-Doping Organization (ORADO) in partnership with the Drug Free Sport Vanuatu will be responsible for the X Pacific Mini Games Doping Control Program. All athletes and their support personnel (coaches, managers, medical support team, etc) are expected to comply with the Pacific Games Council Anti-Doping Rules & Regulations for the Games.

Please check the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) website: www.wada-ama.org for information on the:

- 2017 Prohibited List of Substances and Methods
- Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE)

For information on TUE application and Doping Control Process, please contact ORADO: Natanya Potoi-Ulia, Executive Officer (E)natanya@onoc.org.fj or via Mobile (679) 9997797.

8.1.8 Ice & Water

Ice and Water will be available at the field of play (FOP).

8.1.9 Sports Clinic Ambulance Services

The VMF Green coloured Ambulance 2 with its Medics team will be stationed at the Korman Sports Medicine Clinic next to Venue 1.

8.1.10 Training Venues

No medical services will be provided at the training venues by the Medical Team. All Team Doctors and Physiotherapist are responsible for medical treatment at the training venue sites for their country teams while they are training. Ice and water for training will be the responsibility of the team Physiotherapist to take to the training venue site.

8.1.11 Medical Insurance

All athletes must have medical insurance cover before they arrive in Vanuatu. All medivac payments are to be paid by the team athlete medical insurance cover.

8.1.12 EMERGENCY REFERRALS

a) All Severe Emergency referral will be referred to the Main Vila Central Hospital Emergency Dept to Medical Doctor on duty.

b) Emergency Contact List

Officers	Names	Digicel phone No.
Chief Medical Officer	Dr. Willie Tokon	53 288 71
Central Polyclinic Medical Manager	Dr. Obed	53 288 95
Korman Sports Medicine Medical Manager	Dr. Salé	53 288 73
VCH Emergency Medical Doctor	Dr. Samuel	53 288 80
Van2017 Medical Programs Coordinator	Mrs. Maturine Carlot-Tary	55 020 27

Any Athlete who tests positive to a prohibited substance will be **disqualified** from the VAN2017 X Pacific Mini Games.

8.2 Media

Media access at all VAN2017 X Pacific Mini Games Competition Training Venues will be at the discretion of the Sports Competition Manager (SCM).

9. Transport

Athletes, Team Officials, Technical Officials and Accredited Media will be transported by a Venue Dedicated Bus Service for the official Games period, 30th November – 15 December 2017.

The Venue Dedicated Bus Service has been programmed around the Sports Competition Schedule including the Training schedule. Athletes need to board appropriate bus to access Training Venues.

Buses will leave for Venues as per the Sports Competition Schedule with Accredited Games Family.

Accredited Games Family wishing to return to the village can do so via buses that shall leave Venues at 30 minute intervals thereafter.

Services to Competition and Training Venues will cease upon completion of that sport's competition.

9.1 Athletes and Team Officials

Athletes and Team Officials will use the Venue Dedicated Bus shuttles for their movement to or from the Games Village, Competition and Training Venues or the Athletes Centre. Athletes and Team officials will not be allowed to use shuttle buses for the Games Technical officials.

9.2 Technical Officials

Technical Officials will have Dedicated Bus Shuttles for their movement to and from the Host Hotel to the field or the Athletes Centre. Technical Officials can take a ride on the shuttles buses for the Athletes and Team officials.

More details of Van2017 transportation routes will be made available upon arrival in Port-Vila.

10. General Reference Information

10.1 Technical Committee

10.1.1 Role of the Technical Committee

The important role of the Technical Committee will be to ensure the competition abides by the following rules enacted by the Pacific Games Council Charter amended on 27 September 2009

Tennis Technical Meeting will be on 3rd December 2017 at 17h00, at the Athletes Centre.

10.1.2 Protocol 15

Organisation of the Different Sports Competition Committees

- 15.1 The Council has complete control of the policy of the Games.
- 15.2 The OC shall set up its own sports division and also one such sports competition committee for each sport. Each National Federation of the Host PGA affiliated to the relevant International Federation whose sport is included in the programme of the Games shall appoint one of its representatives to serve on the sports competition committee. Each representative shall keep his /her governing body informed on progress made. The governing body shall maintain close liaison with the sports competition committee of its

sport and be initially responsible, within the overall policy of the OC, for the arrangements of its sport.

- 15.3 Under the direction of the Council, the Organising Committee shall convene meetings of a PGC Technical Committee for each sport. The PGC Technical Committee will supervise and assume complete control of the technical arrangements for the sport, and ensure that the sport is conducted in accordance with the relevant International Federation's regulations unless as varied by the PGC Executive Board.
- 15.4 Membership of each PGC Technical Committee shall consist of two representatives from the Host country/territory, one representative from each of the other competing countries/territories and the International Federation representative (or their nominee), all with voting rights. Other members may be co-opted, but without voting rights.
- 15.5 The date, time and place of the meeting of a PGC Technical Committee for each sport will be communicated to all PGAs at least one month prior to the opening of the Games. The meeting itself will be held not more than 48 hours prior to the commencement of the sport.
- 15.6 Each PGC Technical Committee shall elect its own chairman and have an officer of the Council as an ex-officio member.
- 15.7 No PGC Technical Committee can validly meet without at least 50% of participating PGAs (excluding the Host) in that sport being present.
- 15.8 The PGC Technical Committee may alter the order and timing of events during and between each day of competition on the programme, but it may not alter the detailed programme and/or dates of sport competition without the approval of the PGC Executive Board.

10.2 Regulation 17 Part II Rules Relating to Identification of Personal Clothing and Personal Equipment

There shall be no advertising or publicity on personal equipment and competition clothing used or worn at the Games. Subject to the International Federation's rules identification of the manufacturer (Name and/ or Logo) of the equipment and clothing may appear, if not marked conspicuously for advertising purpose as follows:

- **10.2.1 Manufacturer's Identification:** The identification of the manufacturer shall not appear more than once per item of clothing and equipment.
- **10.2.2 Equipment:** Manufacturer's identification shall not exceed 10 percent of the surface area of the equipment that is exposed during competition and shall not be more than 60 square centimetres.
- **10.2.3 Head gear** (Hats, Helmets, sunglasses, goggles etc.) **and gloves:** Any identification of the manufacturer shall not exceed 6 square centimetres.
- **10.2.4 Clothing:** One identification of the manufacturer (Logo, Name or combination) may appear on each article of clothing worn by athletes, officials or judges (vest, shorts, tracksuits, etc.) the maximum height of 4 centimetres. No other form advertising or sponsorship on clothing shall be permitted.
- 10.2.5 Shoes: The normal distinctive design pattern of the manufacturer is permitted. The manufacturer's name and/or logo may also appear, up to a maximum of 6 square centimetres, either as part of the normal distinctive design pattern or independent of the normal distinctive design pattern.

Variation of the above rules shall be subject to approval of the Executive Board.

10.2.6 Variation of the above rules shall be subject to approval of the Executive Board.

10.3 Eligibility

All athletes wishing to compete in the Pacific Games must comply with current requirements for representing a Country and participating in the Games according to the PGC charter; Article 25.1.

In the event of a challenge to a competitor's eligibility, the Executive Board shall immediately refer the challenge to the Disputes Tribunal in accordance with PGC Charter; Article 25.7. The Tribunal's decision shall be final. No further challenges shall be considered thereafter.

Pacific Games Association delegation entries are required to be finalized, confirmed and posted on the Pacific Games Council and Organizing Committee websites 60 days prior to the commencement of the Games. PGC Charter; Article 25.8.

10.4 International Rules

The events will be organized in conformity with the regulations of the international IAA.

10.6 Charter of the Games

The events will be organized in conformity with the Pacific Games Council Charter which should be referred to whenever technical information which does not appear in the international regulations.

The Pacific Games Council Charter can be downloaded from the VAN2017 X Pacific Mini Games' Internet site (www.van2017.com) under the heading: PACIFIC GAMES - The Charter.

11. Annexes 1 – OTF Approved Rules

Pacific Games and Pacific Mini Games Tennis Event

TENNIS

- 1) The following competitions shall be organized:
- a) Singles two (2) tournaments
 - a. Men's Singles
 - b. Women's Singles

Each Country/Territory may enter a maximum of four (4) players in the Men's Singles and four (4) players in the Women's Singles events.

b) Doubles - There will be three (3) tournaments

- a. Men's Doubles
- b. Women's Doubles
- c. Mixed Doubles

Each Country/Territory may enter a maximum of 2 teams in the Men's and Women's Doubles above, and a maximum of 4 teams in the Mixed Doubles Event.

c) Teams Event – There will be two (2) tournaments:

- a. Men's Team 1 team per Country/Territory
- b. Women's Team- 1 team per Country/Territory

Each of these two tournaments will be conducted over round robin in groups followed by direct elimination draw based on the round robin results, and each separate round between two Countries/ Territories will consist of:

- 2 singles matches
- 1 doubles match

Each Country/Territory may select any 2 players of their team to play singles and any 2 players to play doubles provided the singles players play in the ranking order given to the Referee prior to the start of the Teams Event.

- 2) There will be 7 different tournaments and the following medals will be awarded:
- 7 gold medals
- 7 silver medals
- 7 bronze medals
- 3) The teams shall comprise a maximum of 8 players, with no more than 5 players of the same sex. A Country/Territory may elect to have a reserve as a non-playing member. This player can only play in the case of the original player having to withdraw from an event. This player can take the withdrawn player's position only if the player has not commenced playing in that event. However, this would not restrict such reserve from playing in the next round of a Team's Event. (Please note the intent of this rule is not to provide teams with an additional player, but a replacement player in case of a certified medical injury which rules the player from competing further in the Games with any player replaced not being able to return to the competition under any circumstances).
- 4) All Singles Matches in both the Individual and Teams Event will be the best of 3 Tie-Break Sets. In all Doubles Matches No-Ad scoring shall be used throughout the match and when the score is one set all, one (1) match Tie- Break game (10 Points) shall be played to decide the match. The exception to this will be the Teams Event when all Doubles Matches will be the best of 3 Tie-Break Sets with standard scoring.

In all Doubles Matches where No-Ad scoring is operating, the receiver (s) shall choose whether to receive the service from the right or the left of the court. In Doubles, the players of the receiving team cannot change positions to receive this deciding point. The team who wins the deciding point wins the game.

In Mixed Doubles, the player of the same gender as the server shall receive the deciding point. The players of the receiving team cannot change positions to receive this deciding point.

- 5) The Tournament Committee will decide on the type of tennis ball to be used (ITF approved), the number of balls to be used on court and their change (e.g. for the 3rd set, new balls will be used).
- 6) The type of court surface to be used will be decided by the Host Country/ Territory. They will advise the various Countries/Territories accordingly eighteen (18) months before the Opening of the Games.
- 7) The type of ball to be used should be made known to the Countries/Territories at least three (3) months before the Opening of the Games. Two cans of these balls (new or good used) should be given to each team for practice prior to the start of the Games.
- 8) The Teams' Event shall be played first, followed by the Singles' Event. Once the Singles Event has started, the Doubles and Mixed Doubles Events can begin. If time permits, the Tournament Committee should be encouraged to play Consolation Events for players/teams losing the first match they actually play. There will be no medals for winning such events.
- 9) Determination of Seeds:

- a) For the teams event there will be four seeds. The guidelines that the selections committee should adopt, in no priority order, will be that the four strongest Nations based on the criteria below will be seeded 1(Group A), 2 (Group B) 3 (Group C) and 4 (Group D).
- Finishing position at the immediately previous Games (Mini or Main Pacific Games)
- Strength of these three teams as compared to previous Games
- Strength of the fourth team (losing Bronze Medal Play-Off) from the previous Games
- The Host Country is no longer automatically seeded 4th and this position would be taken by the next strongest nation after the evaluation of the above criteria by the selections committee.
- b) Seeding for the individuals/doubles events should be done on the latest available rankings and actual match results rather than simply on historical results from previous Pacific Games. The following guidelines, in no priority order, should be used to determine the final seeding:
- 1) WTA/ATP Rankings
- 2) Head to Head from the just completed Team's event.
- 3) Regional Tournament results
- 4) Davis and Fed Cup selection tournament results
- 5) Davis and Fed Cup competition results
- 6) Results of fixtures between Pacific Nations
- 7) Historical results from previous Pacific Games, both Maxi and Mini Games.
- c) The Number of Seeds for the individual and doubles events will be:
- 4 for a 16 draw
- 8 for a 32 draw
- 16 for a 64 draw
- 10) Construction of the Draws:
- (a) Teams Event regulations used at ITF teams competitions shall apply
- (i) Round Robin teams will be drawn into groups of four with one seed in each group for a 16 nation competition. With 8 or less nations there will be two groups and with 9-12 nations there will be three groups.
- (ii) On completion of the round robin the four group winners shall contest the main draw semi-final and final. The Winner of Group A will play the Winner of Group D and the Winner of Group B will play the winner of Group C.

If there are three groups, the three winners and the best performed second placed nation will contest the semi-finals. The above format will apply with the best performed second placed Nation playing the Winner of Group A.

For two groups the first and second placed nations in each group will contest the semifinals with the Winners playing the 2nd placed team in the opposite group in the semifinals.

- (iii) If time permits and the tournament committee agree then the remaining teams may contest placement ties.
- (b) Singles and Doubles events the regulations used at Olympic Games shall apply.
- (i) Seeding determined by the committee as outlined in Rule 9(b) and drawn in accordance with normal regulations and the separation outlined below.
- (ii) Separation of Players from the same Nation where there are four (4) or three (3) players from the same Country/Territory, they are to be drawn in separate quarters of the draw with those seeded in separate halves where possible. Where there are two (2) players from the same Country/Territory, they should be drawn in opposite halves of the draw. In making such draw, the priority for drawing such players (after the seeds have been

drawn/placed) should be Countries/Territories with 4 players, then 3 players, then 2 players and finally 1 player. Likewise in Doubles, countries with 4 teams, followed by those with 3 teams, 2 teams and finally 1 team.

- 11) The latest ITF Rules of Tennis and Code of Conduct will apply.
- 12) a) In the Teams Event, the team captain must give to the Referee the names of the singles players in order of merit prior to the start of the event and the draw being made.

12. Maps and Plans



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A2: Not Used A3: AS SHOWN