# GUIDE to the 1st Asian Juniors Soft Tennis Championships

- 1. Name of the event: The 1<sup>st</sup> Asian Juniors Soft Tennis Championships
- 2. Organized by: Asian Soft Tennis Federation (ASTF)
- 3. Managed by: Philippine Soft Tennis Association (PSTA)
- 4. Supported by: Philippine Olympic Committee (POC), Philippine Sports Commission (PSC)
- 5. Term of the events: August 26 (Monday) -31 (Saturday), 2019
- 6. Venue: Colegio San Agustin (Indoor hard tennis courts (11 courts))
  San Jose Del Monte, Bulacan, Philippines
- 7. Accommodation: Colegio San Agustin Dormitory, Dome, etc.
- 8. Kinds of the events:
  - ① Under 12 Individual Doubles & Singles for men and women
  - ② Under 15 Individual Doubles & Singles for men and women
  - ③ Under 18 Individual Doubles & Singles for men and women
  - 4 Under 21 Individual Doubles & Singles for men and women
  - ⑤ Under 12 to Under 21 Team event for men and women together

### 9. Schedule of the events:

| Date             | Contents  |
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| August 26 (Mon)  | Arrival in Manila International Airport                 |
|                  | Move to San Juan Del Monte Bulacan Collegio San Agustin |
| August 27 (Tue)  | Managers Meeting  |
|                  | Opening Ceremony  |
|                  | Individual Doubles for Men and Women                    |
| August 28 (Wed)  | Individual Singles Men and Women (the 1st day)          |
| August 29 (Thur) | Individual Singles Men and Women (the 2nd day)          |
| August 30 (Fri)  | Team events for Men and Women                           |
| August 31 (Sat)  | Departure   |

## 10. Eligibility:

Participating players shall be those who have been approved by those respective national soft tennis associations/federations which are invited to participate in the competition. All ASTF member countries/regions could be invited.

## 11. Age Limitation for the Players:

- ① Under 12: The player who were born after January 1, 2007
- ② Under 15: The player who were born after January 1, 2004
- ③ Under 18: The player who were born after January 1, 2001
- 4 Under 21: The player who were born after January 1, 1998

## 12. Numbers of participating players:

- ① Individual Doubles: equal to or less than 4 pairs for men and women respectively by country/region (and equal to or less than 2 pairs for men and women respectively by age category of each country/region)
- ② Individual Singles: equal to or less than 8 players for men and women respectively by country/region (and equal to or less than 4 players for men and women respectively by age category of each county/region)
- 3 Team Events: 1 team for men and women respectively (to be organized with 1 coach and 3~8 players (the maximum 9 persons in total) for men and women respectively)
- 4 Entry can be made from 1 player. There shall be maximum 16 players (8 men & 8 women respectively) in total for all events.
- ⑤ PSTA is available to entry for 2 times as the above participating numbers as the host's country.
- ⑥ If total number of participating players would be less than 8 players/pairs in some individual singles and/or doubles by age category, such players/pairs might be included in the elder age category/categories.
- (7) ASTF might organize combined team of 2 or more than 2 countries/regions in the team events and/or might organize the team events by age category.
- ASTF might add player(s) in some individual singles and/or doubles.
- ⑨ In the case of the requirement for participation of more players(s) manager(s), coach(s) than the above ①∼⑤, ASTF approves to receive the entry with the condition of the entry fee of US\$250.- per person for the whole period of the competition for additional player(s) and official(s). However, it shall depend on the final entry number and if the final entry number would be over the expected number, added application would be cancelled automatically.

### 13. Entry:

Entry shall be sent to the following address by e-mail, fax or postal mail.

#### **Attention to: Asian Soft Tennis Federation**

#### info@astf.asia

Phone: +81-3-6417-1654

Fax: +81-3-6417-1664

Address: Room 201, 1-16-2, Ooi, Shinagawa-ku, Tokyo 140-0014, Japan

#### 14. Dead line for entries:

The preliminary entry (participation or not) shall be applied no later than April 30, 2019 (Tuesday).

The dead line for the final entry (names of players by each event): June 30, 2019 (Sunday).

## 15. Rules and regulations for competitions:

Competition shall be conducted in accordance with the effective Rules of Soft Tennis of ISTF. The official language shall be English.

### 16. Method of competition:

Final decision for the method of competition shall depend on the total number of participants after finishing the entries. Doubles matches shall be played by the best of 7 games system. However semifinals and finals shall be played by the best of 9 games.

All single matches shall be played by the best of 7 games. However single matches may be player by the best of 5 games if number of participating players are more than expected numbers.

## 17. Referees and Umpires:

All Referees and Umpires shall be designated by ASTF and PSTA. But the semifinal matches from 1<sup>st</sup> round of all events, all of the players shall take the roll of umpire for the improvement of skill and technique of umpiring as so-called self-umpiring. Umpires appointed by ASTF shall be assigned to the matches of final for all of events.

#### 18. Balls:

Balls to be used in this competition shall be decided by ASTF.

#### 19. Commendation:

In each event, the prizes shall be awarded to the first, second and the third winner. Diploma shall be given to all of participants.

# 20. The fee for participation:

- ① The entry fee for China, Chinese Taipei, Korea and Japan In the case of 1 coach and equal to or less than 8 players for men and women respectively (i.e., 18 persons in total): US\$250.-/person)
  - including accommodation fee, 3 meals/day and local transportation
- ② Other countries/regions than China, Chines Taipei, Korea and Japan In the case of 1 coach and equal to or less than 8 players for men and women respectively (i.e., 18 persons in total): US\$100.-/person
  - ☆ including accommodation fee, 3 meals/day and local transportation
- ③ Staying fee for more participating numbers than the above ①② or for the period before and/or after the event shall be borne by each country/region, which will be US\$250.-/person (i.e.,US\$50.-/day,person) including accommodation fee, 3 meals/day and local transportation.

# 21. The expenses for the stay in Philippines:

- ① Round air ticket for the participants shall be borne by each participating country/region.
- ② All other expenses for the stay in Philippines: transportation and meals during the event shall be borne by ASTF and PSTA.
- ③ If some participant arrange accommodation by themselves, all staying expenses and transport expenses shall be borne by each country/region.