

Official Schedule – PÉTANQUE

Team tournament

General Information

Supervisor:

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Location:

Misano Adriatico: Arena 58, Via Romagna

Date:

4- 5- 6 June 2015

Time schedule:

Doubles tournament will start on 4th June, at 9 am;
Triples tournament will start on 5th June, at 9 am.

Awards:

Medals will be provided for players finished in 1st, 2nd and 3rd places for each category.

Technical Regulation

Rules:

Although it is not mentioned in this regulation, competition will be played in accordance with the rules of the International Federation of Pétanque and Provençal Game (FIPJP).

Requirements

All the properly registered players, along with the payment of the registration fee and with the medical certificate of fitness for physical activities, are allowed to take part in the competition.

Categories:

Mix Open

Game model:

The tournament consists of doubles (3 boules for each player) and of triples (2 boules for each player). The tournament will be held according to the “Swiss system”, the format usually used in the World and European Pétanque Tournaments.

Note: All players must be on the field of play at the scheduled time of the beginning of their matches.

Field of play

Any ground with dimensions 3x13 m.

Score

All the matches will be played up to 13 points or up to the expiry of the allotted time decided by the organizers.

At the umpire's call and/or at the sound of the siren of the countdown timer, any match started must end.

Duration of the game

The maximum duration of all games allowed in this tournament is 55 minutes for both doubles and triples competitions (with interval of play of 20 minutes among the different matches).

In case of equal score, at the end of the last match, there will be an extra throwing.

In all matches, the maximum amount of time allotted for the throwing of the jack is 30 seconds, while the maximum amount of time allotted for the throwing of the boule is 40 seconds.

Doubles/triples competitions:

All the registered teams must be on the field of play by 8.30 am in order to check the matches they have to play; each team will have an ID number which will identify them during all the phases of the competition (e.g. **25** "team" D 1). All the registered teams will be divided into two single rounds (A and B) and, at the same time, they will be divided into two different Swiss Systems.

The teams will be divided by draw according to the number of the registered teams for each company. The general criterion is the following one: each Swiss System will include 50% of the registered teams.

Doubles/Triples competitions- Swiss System (Round A). Each team will play 4 matches. Then, the 16 teams best ranked will play according to the knockout system. The winning teams in this phase will take part in the finals to be held on 6th June.

Doubles/Triples competitions- Swiss System (Round B). Each team will play 4 matches. Then, the 16 teams best ranked will play according to the knockout system. The winning teams of this round will take part in the finals to be held on 6th June.

On Saturday 6th, the winning teams of each round will play semifinals. Then, the winning team of Round A will play the final match against the winning team of the Round B.

Ranking criteria after 4 matches in the Swiss system

1. Number of won games
2. Bucholz
3. Difference in the scores
4. Higher number of positive points in score
5. Draw

Time schedule (Time schedule can change according to the progress of the competition)

1 Swiss match	09.00	09.55
2 Swiss match	10.15	11.10
3 Swiss match	11.30	12.25

Lunch break	12.30	13.45
4 Swiss match	13.55	14.50
Quarterfinals	15.10	16,05
Semifinals	16.25	17,20
Finals	17.40	18.35

General discipline

Matches will be played in a single field of play.

The throwing circle must be drawn at least 50 cm from any obstacle.

The jack can be thrown (from 6 m to 10 m) in any direction of the playing area; the jack must be a minimum of 1 m from the boundary of the area and a minimum of 50 cm from the lateral "line" which marks off the playing area.

Each team can throw the jack only one time; if the throwing of the jack is not valid, the opposing team places the jack anywhere according to the regulations.

Any throwing of boule and jack which completely crosses the boundary of the authorized terrain is considered dead.

Boules and jacks will be taken into account in order to measure a point only if they stand still. As the time allowed for each match runs out, at the Umpire's call and/or at the sound of the siren of the countdown timer, any match started must end. In case of equal score, another match will be played. In this case, the jack must be marked on the playing area; if, during the match, the jack is hit and crosses the boundary of the playing area, it must be put back in its original position; there is no throwing considered not valid.

Penalties

1) In the matches played according to the Swiss System, if one team doesn't show up in the playing area at the scheduled time, the opposing team will be declared the winning team (13-11, with 2 point difference).

2) In all the matches following those played according to the Swiss System:

At the umpire's call, which marks the beginning of the match, the absence time of a team is reduced to 5 minutes; after this time limit, the penalty accrues by 1 point. If the team is still absent, the penalty accrues 1 point for each 5 minutes of delay. If the team is still absent after 30 minutes of delay, the team will lose the match.

Bad weather - In case of rain, any match started must end unless a contrary decision is made by the umpire, who alone is qualified, with the Jury, to decide on its suspension or cancellation in the case of a "force majeure".

Results:

Results will be published on the ECSG official website, in the "Pétanque" section, and on the noticeboard of the accreditation center set up in Tourism Palace.

Appeals:

All appeals concerning the Championship must be lodged in written form with the judge within no longer than 30 minutes after the end of the match, along with a deposit of € 30 which will be returned in case of admission.

Final arrangements:

Each participant travels and attends the Games at own risk. Organizers provide first aid only. It is compulsory to bring a copy of the individual insurance policy along all the time.

Note: According to specific and unexpected needs, organizers reserve the right to modify and/or change the information in this schedule.