

## MASTER BALL CYPRUS PADEL TOUR 2024 RULES & GUIDELINES

Master Ball is a tournament series scheduled to take place throughout the year 2024 across eight padel clubs in Cyprus. These events focus on competitive play, a fair ranking system, and provide participants with a chance to earn points, win prizes, and gifts. Additionally, we offer opportunities for players to boost their padel skills and network within the community

## **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

➤ Open to all.

## **REGISTRATION STEPS**

- 1. We will notify you via email or on <u>@endo\_sports @masterballcy</u> when the categories are open for registration.
- 2. Locate our tournament on the Playtomic App under Competitions → Register in your preferred category (spots are limited, request a spot within 24 hours).
- 3. If you meet the necessary requirements, we will send you the final registration link.
- 4. Follow the provided link and make the payment via playtomic for your team's spot.
- 5. Please complete your final registration within 24 hours, otherwise the next team on the waiting list will take your spot.
- 6. Stay informed through Playtomic chat notifications regarding the draw and order of play.

## **TOURNAMENT FORMAT**

> Every tournament format will be adjusted according to the courts and days available at the hosting club.

## POSSIBLE FORMAT

- > 8 team tournaments.
- ➤ 16 team tournaments.
- > 32 team tournaments.

# **CATEGORIES**

The ranking system will determine the category or level you can play based on the number of points you have accumulated in the last six tournaments.

Category A (The Most Challenging).

Category B (Highly Challenging).

**Category C** (Moderately Challenging).

(The above categories are open to participants of all genders)

Mixed Doubles: Open level.

Women's Category: Open level.



## WILD CARD SYSTEM

> The Wild Card in Master Ball Tournaments allows teams to join the tournament even if they don't meet the points requirements. It's used to include teams who have a promising level or are returning from injury or have their points tied with other teams.

## NUMBER OF WILD CARDS

- 1. Maximum 2 for 8-team tournaments.
- 2. Maximum 4 for 16-team tournaments.
- 3. Maximum 6 for 32-team tournaments.

(The number of wild cards depends on the tournament size).

#### MATCH-DAY FORMAT SCORING

(In case of a 2-team tie in the group stage, head-to-head games will be considered; in a 3-team tie, the games won over games lost ratio will be considered).

## **GROUPS**

- ➤ 1 set 8 Games.
- $\rightarrow$  7-7 is up to 9
- > 8-8 Tie Break (to 7 points).

## QSF

- $\triangleright$  Best of 3.
- ➤ Final Set Match Tie Break (to 10 points).

## **SWITCHING SIDES**

- $\triangleright$  Total odd number of games (1,3,5,7 etc).
- ➤ Tie Break: Every 6 points.

## WITHDRAWAL

(no refunds or points for any of the below)

- 1. If a team or participant fails to show up for the tournament without any prior notification to the organizers. The team or participant will be automatically withdrawn from the tournament.
- 2. When a participant or team decides to withdraw from the tournament after it has began, including during ongoing matches.
- 3. Bad behaviour includes any form of unsportsmanlike conduct, such as aggressive behaviour, inappropriate language, disrespect towards officials or opponents, or any actions that compromise the integrity and respectful atmosphere of the tournament.
- 4. Cheating: Any action that's not honest or fair and is done to get an unfair advantage in the game. This includes changing scores on purpose, messing with the equipment, breaking rules knowingly, or doing anything else that makes the game unfair or dishonest.



# **RANKING SYSTEM**

- 1. Based on performances of six tournaments in 2023, the points have been adjusted to 50% of their original value.
- 2. A player participating in more than 1 category per tournament, will be awarded the maximum points won out of all categories. (i.e. lost in groups of Category A, but won mixed, then will get 50 points)
- 3. If a team qualifies for Category A but instead prefers to play in a lower category, it has the option to do so. The same applies for a team that qualifies for Category B but prefers to play in Category C.

8-Team Tournament								
Category A		Category B		Category C		Mixed Doubles		
Winner (W)	240 Points	Winner (W)	30 Points	Winner (W)	4 Points	Winner (W)	30 Points	
Finalist (F)	140 Points	Finalist (F)	15 Points	Finalist (F)	2 Points	Finalist (F)	15 Points	
Semifinalist (S)	70 Points	Semifinalist (S)	8 Points	Semifinalist (S)	1 Point	Semifinalist (S)	8 Points	
Group Stage (G)	40 Points	Group Stage (G)	5 Points	Group Stage (G)	0 Points	Group Stage (G)	0 Points	

16-Team Tournament									
Category A		Category B		Category C		Mixed Doubles			
Winner (W)	400 Points	Winner (W)	50 Points	Winner (W)	7 Points	Winner (W)	50 Points		
Finalist (F)	240 Points	Finalist (F)	30 Points	Finalist (F)	4 Points	Finalist (F)	30 Points		
Semifinalist (S)	140 Points	Semifinalist (S)	15 Points	Semifinalist (S)	2 Points	Semifinalist (S)	15 Points		
Quarterfinalist (Q)	70 Points	Quarterfinalist (Q)	8 Points	Quarterfinalist (Q)	1 Point	Quarterfinalist (Q)	8 Points		
Group Stage (G)	40 Points	Group Stage (G)	5 Points	Group Stage (G)	0 Points	Group Stage (G)	0 Points		

32-Team Tournament									
Category A		Category B		Category C		Mixed Doubles			
Winner (W)	600 Points	Winner (W)	80 Points	Winner (W)	12 Points	Winner (W)	80 Points		
Finalist (F)	400 Points	Finalist (F)	50 Points	Finalist (F)	7 Points	Finalist (F)	50 Points		
Semifinalist (S)	240 Points	Semifinalist (S)	30 Points	Semifinalist (S)	4 Points	Semifinalist (S)	30 Points		
Quarterfinalist (Q)	140 Points	Quarterfinalist (Q)	15 Points	Quarterfinalist (Q)	2 Points	Quarterfinalist (Q)	15 Points		
Round of 16 (R16)	70 Points	Round of 16 (R16)	8 Points	Round of 16 (R16)	1 Point	Round of 16 (R16)	8 Points		
Group Stage (G)	40 Points	Group Stage (G)	5 Points	Group Stage (G)	0 Points	Group Stage (G)	0 Points		

# **SEEDING**

Seeding (1, 2, 3, 4, etc.) is based on the sum of the team's points.

One team from each pot will be placed in each group.





# **HEALTH AND SAFETY**

- > Scheduled breaks for <u>hydration</u> on every change of sides.
- Warm-up and Stretching (5 minutes warm-up in groups, 10 minutes in knockouts).
- ➤ Unexpected injuries will be given a 5-minute break.
- > All players must wear the racket strap on their hand.

# **ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RISK**

➤ Players acknowledge that padel is a physical sport which may involve risks of injury. By participating, all players accept these risks and agree to participate at their own risk, thereby releasing the tournament organizers from any liability for injury or harm.

# WEATHER CONDITION

➤ In case of bad weather, we will reschedule the tournament.

## LOST AND FOUND

➤ Please note that hosts are not responsible for personal items lost. If you've lost something, kindly contact the event organizer or the Padel Club for assistance.

**Volunteer Form**