

OPEN MASTERS GAMES

ABU DHABI 2026

TENNIS



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1. General Information

A sport of skill, power, and mental toughness, tennis captivates with baseline battles and deft net play. Singles and doubles matches will feature thrilling rallies and tactical brilliance.

1.1. Governance

The Tennis event will be conducted in line with the competition rules of the International Tennis Federation (ITF).

1.2. Eligibility

In line with the sport-specific rules, an athlete must compete in their designated age group, with their age determined as of 31 December 2026. For example, if you are 39 years old during the Games time but turn 40 by 31 December 2026, you would compete in the 40-44 age category.

Health Declaration

Athletes should carefully evaluate whether their physical condition is suitable for participating in the competition. If they suffer from cardiovascular or other diseases that make them not suitable to engage strenuous exercise, seeking doctor's advice is recommended to evaluate whether they can safely participate in OMGAD events.

1.3. Dates

February 10 Tuesday	February 11 Wednesday	February 12 Thursday	February 13 Friday	February 14 Saturday

1.4. Venue

[Zayed Sports City Tennis Stadium](#)

2. Competition Information

2.1. Disciplines, Events & Grading¹

Discipline	Event	Grade	Category		
			Gender	Classification	Age
	Singles	Competitive	Male	Not applicable	30+, 35+, 40+, 45+, 50+, 55+, 60+, 65+, 70+, 75+, 80+
			Female		
		Recreational	Male		
			Female		
	Doubles	Competitive	Male		30+, 35+, 40+, 45+, 50+, 55+, 60+, 65+, 70+, 75+, 80+
			Female		
		Recreational	Male		
			Female		
	Mixed Doubles	Competitive	Mixed		30+, 35+, 40+, 45+, 50+, 55+, 60+, 65+, 70+, 75+, 80+
		Recreational			
Discipline	Event	Division	Category		
			Gender	Classification	Age
Para Tennis	Singles	Open Wheelchair	Male	P.I.: Physical Impairment	30+, 40+, 50+
			Female		
		Quad	Male		
			Female		
	Doubles	Open Wheelchair	Male		30+, 40+, 50+
			Female		
		Quad	Male		
			Female		
	Mixed Doubles	Open Wheelchair	Male		30+, 40+, 50+
			Female		
		Quad	Male		
			Female		

The following grade definitions have been determined for the Tennis competition:

- Competitive: This category is for tournament and competition players.
- Recreational: This category is for club and social players.

The OMGAD2026 reserves the right to move players between grades.

¹ Added para classification 20/11

Players can play in different grades (competitive or recreational) in different events, but only one grade per event (e.g. singles, doubles and mixed doubles).

Para Classification

The OMGAD2026 will offer national classification opportunities in the days prior to the start of the competition. International Classifiers will be available for the following impairment:

- PI: Physical Impairment

Only Athletes with 'New' sport class status must undergo national classification on site and must bring all relevant medical documentation (In ENGLISH).

Athletes will need to present themselves for classification at the date and time designated by the sport. As a result, the classification outcomes will not be officially recognized by the respective International Federations.

Eligible Sport Class:

- Open Class
- Quad Class

Eligible sport class status to participate in the Games are as follows.

- N = New
- R = Review
- FRD = Fixed Review Date
- C = Confirmed

2.2. Format

- Matches will be played as one-set ²matches with a 'match tie-break' to be played if required.
- Match length may be altered by the Technical Delegate depending on circumstances.
- Umpires will be used throughout the tournament.
- Please note that the competition format may change depending on final entry numbers.

² Updated 20/11

2.3. Schedule

In case of the extreme weather or the force majeure event, such as typhoon and lighting strike etc., OMGAD2026 has the authority to change system, or postpone competition schedule.

2.4. Rules

The player will be considered a 'No-Show' and defaulted 15 minutes after the match has been called.

2.5. Partner Matching³

During the registration on the website you can indicate that you do not have a team member for doubles. The system will match you with a partner if it is possible.

If you registered previous to this feature you can email sports@omgad2026.ae.

Please list the following:

- #ID number (found on your profile)
- First and last name
- Events (double or mixed double)

3. Technical Details

3.1. Technical Delegate

The Technical Delegate, endorsed by the UAE Tennis Federation, will be Mr. Maitham Hussein. The Technical Delegate will oversee the implementation of all sport specific rules and requirements at the Games.

3.2. Other Technical Details

4. Equipment & Uniform

3.1. Equipment

OMGAD2026 will supply Wilson tennis balls for the competition.

³ Added 20/11

Each athlete is required to bring their own tennis racquet.

It is the responsibility of each player to bring or hire training balls.

3.2. Uniform

Every player shall dress and present himself/herself for play in a professional manner. Clean and customarily acceptable tennis attire shall be worn. Any player who violates this Section may be ordered by the Court Official or Referee to change his/her attire or equipment immediately.

Players may wear warm-up clothing during the warm-up and during the match provided it complies with the foregoing provisions.

- a) **Unacceptable Attire:** Sweatshirts, gym shorts, dress shirts, T-shirts or any other inappropriate attire shall not be worn during a match (including the warm-up).
- b) **Shoes:** Players are required to wear tennis shoes generally accepted as proper tennis attire. Shoes shall not cause damage to the court other than what is expected during the normal course of the match or practice. Damage to a court may be considered as physical or visible, which may include a shoe that leaves mark beyond what is considered acceptable. The Referee has the authority to determine that a shoe does not meet the criteria and may order the player to change.

Doubles Teams Members of doubles teams are not required to wear uniforms of the same colour; however, it is preferred teams do so.

5. Awarding

5.1. Medals

The top 3 athletes will be awarded the gold medal, silver medal and bronze medal respectively.

5.2. Ceremonies

- In OMGAD2026, athletes are individuals and represent themselves. National flags and anthems will not be included in medal ceremonies.
- The medal ceremony will be held after each final.
- The medal ceremony will be conducted in Arabic and English.

6. Protests and Appeals

6.1. Protests

- Competition-related disputes and protests shall be handled according to rules and related regulations of the international association of the sport. If there are no rules regarding such disputes and protests in place, the competitor may first make verbal protest and submit written protest to OMGAD within 30 minutes after the end of a contest.
- No protest can be lodged by any team members or staff against a judging (scoring) decision during the competition period.

6.2. Appeals

- Based on the principle of trust, the Organizer will not take the initiative to review the grade of athletes upon registration. Matters regarding athlete qualifications and grades should be submitted to the Organizer with relevant supporting materials before the Games or when the fact occurs. The complaint will be handled in accordance with the rules and relevant regulations of international sports federations and relevant regulations.
- Applications that are not submitted within the stipulated time or with incomplete materials will not be accepted.

7. Doping Control

7.1. Regulations

- Doping Control should be conducted in accordance with WADA World Anti-Doping Code (<https://www.wada-ama.org/en>) and International Masters Games Association (IMGA) Anti-Doping Rules (<https://imga.ch/masterssports/anti-doping>).
- Participants are deemed to have agreed to be subject to doping control procedures in accordance with the International Masters Games Association Anti-Doping Rules upon entry to the competition. Participants must obey antidoping rules and conduct themselves in a considerate manner.



8. Updates

The final version of the competition guide will be released by December 1st.
Important additional information, including the sports schedule, will be available at that time. In the meantime, please address all inquiries to: sports@omgad2026.ae