

TENNIS SPORT INFORMATION GUIDE

Tennis

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.

Competition dates

Tennis competition for Open Masters Games Abu Dhabi 2026 (OMGAD2026) offers each athlete the opportunity to compete in three events: Singles, Doubles and Mixed Doubles.

The provisional Tennis competition schedule is as follows:

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

All dates and times are subject to change, pending final entries received. A detailed schedule for each age category will be developed throughout 2025.

Venue: Zayed Sports City Tennis Stadium

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Competition Format

The events, divisions and age categories for Tennis are as follows:

Event	Division	Age Category
Singles	Competitive	Men's / Women's: 30+, 35+, 40+, 45+, 50+, 55+, 60+, 65+, 70+, 75+, 80+
	Recreational	
Doubles	Competitive	Men's / Women's: 30+, 35+, 40+, 45+, 50+, 55+, 60+, 65+, 70+, 75+, 80+
	Recreational	
Mixed Doubles	Competitive	Mixed: 30+, 35+, 40+, 45+, 50+, 55+, 60+, 65+, 70+, 75+, 80+
	Recreational	Mixed: 30+, 35+, 40+, 45+, 50+, 55+, 60+, 65+, 70+, 75+, 80+

For the Games, your age is determined as of 31 December 2026. For doubles events the age of the youngest player in the doubles pair will determine the age category.

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If there are insufficient entries in an age category or division, these may be combined to a viable competition. The awarding of medals will not be affected, that is, individuals will still be awarded medals in the age category or division in which they originally entered.

Para Sport

The Tennis schedule will include a wheelchair event comprising of singles, doubles and mixed doubles for 30+ and 40+ age groups, with open and quad divisions offered for wheelchair players.

Event	Division	Age Category
Singles	Open Wheelchair	Men's / Women's: 30+, 40+, 50+
	Quad	
Doubles	Open Wheelchair	Men's / Women's: 30+, 40+, 50+
	Quad	
Mixed Doubles	Open Wheelchair	Men's / Women's: 30+, 40+, 50+
	Quad	

To enter in a Para-Sport event at the Games, you must be able to meet minimum disability criteria. Please review the Para-Sport Classification requirements in the Para-Sports Information Guide and where an athlete has an existing recognised national or international classification, please indicate this as part of the registration process. If an athlete cannot meet these requirements, registration will be transferred to the open section of the competition.

In wheelchair tennis, all participants must use a wheelchair.

Competition Details

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

Grade Definitions

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.

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).

Format for play

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- a) Matches will be played as one-set matches with a 'match tie-break' to be played if required. Match length may be altered by the Technical Delegate depending on circumstances.
- b) There will be a draw with consolation matches played. (a.k.a., Double elimination)
- c) Umpires will be used throughout the tournament.

Please note that the competition format may change depending on final entry numbers.

Doubles Partner Matching Days

Doubles Partner Matching Days will be offered and announced in the final version of the guide. This is an opportunity for players looking for doubles/mixed partners to meet and decide whether they would like to pair with and notify the tournament office. If you did not nominate your doubles partner at Games Registration and have decided on your partner prior to Doubles Partner Matching Day please email us at sports@omgad2026.ae. As a last resort the tournament committee will pair players.

Doubles Pair Sign-in Deadlines

If you entered online with your partner, your entry will show on the tournament website, and you do not need to do anything further. The deadlines apply to players who have not previously confirmed their partners. Any players who have not notified of their pairing by the deadline will be paired by the tournament committee.

Umpires

Umpires will be used throughout the tournament to the competition finals.

Disciplinary Committee/Protest Procedures

The International Tennis Federation (ITF) Code of Conduct will apply. The Technical Delegate will convene a disputes committee to hear any protests or disciplinary matters in accordance with the ITF Code of Conduct 9 <https://www.itftennis.com/media/8955/world-tennis-tour-code-of-conduct.pdf>).

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.

Equipment

Each athlete is required to bring their own tennis racquet. It is the responsibility of each player to bring or hire training balls. Match balls will be provided. Players are advised to bring their own water bottles and strapping tape.

Uniforms

Players must wear approved tennis attire. Players of the same team are encouraged to wear team uniforms of the same colour.

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

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