RULES FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE OPEN DOUBLES PADEL TOURNAMENT

RULES OF THE GAME

ART. 1_ Organization of the tournament

All players must have a valid Basic membership and a valid non-competitive sports medical certificate for the duration of the tournament.

The doubles padel tournament is open; there are no gender restrictions of any kind in the formation of the team, it can be male-only, female-only or mixed.

The tournament is organised into **one scoreboards**, at the Leonardo campus.

The calendars, results, possible sanctions and measures and all useful information during the course of the tournament shall be published and updated on the dedicated page on the **sports website.**

In the pool stage, the ranking of each individual pool is established according to the following scores:

- 3 points for each match won;
- 2 points for each match won 2 sets to 1;
- 0 points for each match lost 0 sets to 2;
- 1 point for each match lost 1 set to 2.

In case of tied leader board scores, the ranking will follow this order:

a. Head-to-head;
b. set difference;
c. game difference;
d. draw.

A team shall lose the game by forfeit if it fails to appear on the court within 10 minutes of the official starting time. Teams that fail to show up shall be declared losers.

For the open doubles padel tournament, each team may consist of **2 players (players cannot be substituted during a match).**
No players may be added after the close of registration, with the exception of specific cases and/or needs (e.g. injury of a player).

Each player may participate with only one team; if a player is listed on the roster of one team, they cannot be listed on the roster of another team.

It should be noted that the final match for the padel tournament shall be played at the same time as the matches for other sports (e.g., volleyball); players who choose to participate simultaneously in the tournaments for more than one sport shall acknowledge in advance the possibility that these different matches may overlap. In this case, players shall have the sole right of choosing the match in which they wish to take part; the Organising Committee shall bear no responsibility for such an occurrence and any request by the teams to reschedule the games shall be declined.

The duration of the match shall be: the best of three sets of 4 games. In each game, at 40–40, the Killer point is played, and the couple receiving the serve choose the end at which to receive the serve. The set is won by the first couple to reach one of the following scores: 4-0 / 4-1 / 4-2 or 5-3 (in the event of 3 games all). If the couples reach **four games** all, a **tie-break** shall be played to 7 points**.**

During the match, the teams shall **self-referee** and count the scores independently; in case of dispute over a point, the point must be repeated. The teams shall change ends at the end of each set. At the end of the match, the captains of both teams shall sign the match report indicating the scores of each set, and hand the report to the secretary.

The competitions will be held at both the Giuriati Sports Centre (Leonardo campus) on Tuesday (for group and elimination phase) and Thursday (for the final) from 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

The start time and dates of the tournament may be changed at the discretion of the Organising Committee. In the event of any changes, the captain(s) of the team(s) shall be notified promptly by the Organising Committee.

Once scheduled and designated, matches may not be rescheduled, except in the case of organisational problems on the part of the Organising Committee. Any requests to reschedule a match shall NOT be accepted.

NB. Teams that reach the finals are obliged to wear the Politecnico di Milano jersey provided at registration; in case of non-possession, the team is automatically excluded from the tournament.

For anything not covered in the above rules, the technical and disciplinary regulations of the Italian Tennis Federation shall apply. Participants are referred to the regulations of the Italian Padel Federation, at the following link.

ART. 2_ Sanctions and additional provisions with respect to the GENERAL RULES OF TOURNAMENTS OF POLITECNICO DI MILANO

A player who commits two unsportsmanlike fouls is ejected from the game.

In the event of inappropriate language -swearing, profanity, etc. - directed at other players, there will be a first warning, followed by ejection.
In the event of inappropriate language - swearing, profanity, etc. - directed at the referee, there will be a direct ejection.

GAME FORMULA - LEONARDO SCOREBOARD

There are 9 teams registered for the Leonardo bracket.
The teams will be divided into 3 groups of 3 teams each.

During the first phase, each team will face all the other teams in its group in single-leg matches. At the end of the group stage, the top team from each group plus the best second-place team will advance to the knockout stage.

The standings for each group are determined according to the following points system:

- 3 points for each match won 2–0;
- 2 points for each match won 2–1;
- 1 point for each match lost 1–2;
- 0 points for each match lost.

In the event of a tie in points, the ranking will follow this order:

a. head-to-head record;
b. set difference;
c. game difference;
d. coin toss.

A merit-based ranking will be established to determine the best second-place team, according to these criteria:

a. points scored;
b. set difference;
c. game difference;
d. coin toss.

Depending on which team finishes as the best second-place team, the semifinals will follow this bracket:

1) If the second-place team from Group A advances
SF1: 1st in Group A vs. 1st in Group B
SF2: 2nd in Group A vs. 1st in Group C

2) If the second-place team from Group B advances
SF1: 1st in Group A vs. 2nd in Group B
SF2: 1st in Group B vs. 1st in Group C

3) If the second-place team from Group C advances
SF1: 1st in Group A vs. 1st in Group C
SF2: 2nd in Group C vs. 1st in Group B

Final 1st / 2nd and 3rd / 4th