# **COMPETITION REGULATIONS**

MUST be read in conjunction with event rules.

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### 1. DEFAULTS

Participants must be at their event site and ready to compete at least 15 minutes prior to the competition starting time.

## 2. PROTEST COMMITTEE

The Host will establish a Protest Committee to hear any protests during the Games. The committee shall be chaired by the Rules Committee Chair, and will consist of the following three (3) people, with at least two (2), along with the Chair, required in the decision-making process:

- The Games Manager;
- The Event Coordinator (for the event in question); and
- CSGA Technical Director.

Protests are to be submitted in writing and signed on the OFFICIAL PROTEST FORM which is turned into the Games Office or specific event coordinator within one hour after completion of the game/event/heat.

The Protest Committee will rule on technical, rules-related disputes. The decision by the Protest Committee will be given in writing to the person who signed the protest form, with a copy to the Event Director. In general, a protest should be verbally indicated at the time of the occurrence, then followed within one hour of completion of the event by a formal written protest. The team manager/Director for the person or persons involved should be notified, so that input can be given, before any final decision is made. A protest form is included in this Master Rule Book-Games Forms section. The Host MUST ensure that these forms are available at all event venues.

## 3. CODE OF CONDUCT

- All participants and non-participants must sign and adhere to the CSGA Code of Conduct. (See Games Forms section).
- The Code of Conduct is designed to ensure a safe and positive environment by making individuals aware that there is an expectation of appropriate behavior consistent with this Code. The Association supports equal opportunity, prohibits discriminatory practices, and is committed to providing an environment in which all individuals are treated with respect and fairness.
- Any violation of the Code of Conduct or any behaviour contrary to the Spirit of the Canada 55+ Games may be reported to the CSGA Disciplinary Committee by completing a Code of Conduct Complaints Form (See Games Forms Section), and may be subject to sanctions pursuant to the Discipline and Complaints Policy

### 4. GENDER INCLUSION

 The CSGA recognizes all participants deserve a respectful and an inclusive environment for participation that values the individual's gender identity and gender expression. The Host will ensure that all participants have access to activities and facilities in which they feel comfortable and safe.

## 5. DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

- The Disciplinary Committee will be chaired by the CSGA Vice-President (or designate), the applicable CSGA Director and a designated member from the Host (most often the Games Manager). The applicable Event Coordinator or their representative should also be in attendance; but if unavailable due to ongoing games, their written report on the incident shall suffice.
- The Committee will administer the guidelines outlined in the Discipline and Complaints policy.

### 6. SCORING AND RESULTS

- In most cases, events will be run using a round-robin format (either single or double depending on time available), with the medalists being determined from the results of the round robin without the requirement for a play-off. If an event requires that a play-off system be used, the recommended procedure for conducting the play-off is detailed in this Master Rule Book.
- Gold, silver, and bronze medals will be awarded for all events. A medal count will be posted
  daily at the sites of all events.
- Final posted results for every event will include the standings of all participants, not just the medal winners.