



MAMMA MIA 2018 RULES

Mamma Mia Tournament 2018 will follow the rules described below.

1. LEVELS

The tournament is organized on 4 levels: **Level A, B+, B- and C.**

2. MATCHES

Matches will take place on Saturday November 3th 2018 in the gyms of PALAEMOTION, via Leonardo da Vinci 1 – Cologno Monzese.

The tournament will begin with matches at **8.30**, ending at about **19.30. THERE WON'T BE ANY CAPTAINS MEETING.** You will be allowed to enter the gyms from 8.00.

The calendar will be communicated to the captains of the teams and will be published at the Central desk of tournament.

Matches are organized as following:

- Qualification matches, semifinals and finals (except 1° vs 2°): 1 set of 20 minutes, including 3 minutes of warm up
- Finals 1° vs 2°: 2/3 sets without time limits

All sets will be of **25 points, except in the finals 1° vs 2° (2 sets of 21 points, tie-break of 15 points).** When the time runs out (warned through a clear sound), the set is considered ended with the score reached so far. An action already started before the end of time must be completed. Tie is accepted only in qualification matches, while in semifinals and finals a further point is required.

It's not requested the score difference of 2 points to gain the victory.

No change side is required in qualifications and semifinals. At the beginning of each match a coin flip between the two captains will decide which team will choose side or serve.

The beginning and end of each set will be indicated by a centralized acoustic sound.

3. GROUPS

Teams belonging to levels A/B+ and B-/C, have been merged in 2 levels.

Level A/B+:

Teams are divided in three groups of 5 teams each by draw. Each team will play against all the other teams in its group. In the end, the teams will be ranked from 1 to 5 in each group.

After the ranking:

- The **1° and 2nd classified** of each group and the **two best 3rd classified** will be placed in A.
- The **worst 3rd classified** and **4th classified** will be placed in B+.
- The **5th classified** will be placed in a consolation level (CONS A)



Level B-/C:

Teams are divided in three groups of 5 teams each. Each team will play against all the other teams in its group. In the end, the teams will be ranked from 1 to 5 in each group.

After the ranking:

- The **1st and 2nd classified** of each group and the **two best 3rd classified** will be placed in B-.
- The **worst 3rd classified** and **4th classified** will be placed in C.
- The **5th classified** will be placed in a consolation level (CONS B)

4. FINAL PHASE

Level A : The 8 teams will be divided in two groups (A1 and A2) by draw. In each group, teams will play against all the other teams. In the end, the teams will be ranked from 1 to 4 in each group. The first two teams will proceed to semifinals (1st A1 vs 2nd A2; 1st A2 vs 2nd A1) and finals for level A.

Level B+ : The 4 teams will play one against each other. In the end, the teams will be ranked from 1 to 4 and then for semifinals and finals in level B+.

Level B- : The 8 teams will be divided in two groups (B1 and B2) by draw. In each group, teams will play against all the other teams. In the end, the teams will be ranked from 1 to 4 in each group. The first two teams will proceed to semifinals (1st B1 vs 2nd B2; 1st B2 vs 2nd B1) and finals for level B.

Level C : The 4 teams will play one against each other. In the end, the teams will be ranked from 1 to 4 and then for semifinals and finals in level C.

Level CONS A : The 3 teams will play one against each other. The first classified will get a consolation prize.

Level CONS B : The 3 teams will play one against each other. The first classified will get a consolation prize.

5. SCORE

Points in the qualification rounds will be assigned in this way:

In case of **Victory** the team will earn **2 Points** in the classification, in case of **Loss 0 Points**. In case of a **Draw** each team will get **1 Point**.

At the end of the first phase, a classification will be ranked. In case of same points for different teams, it is applied, for the ranking order, the best "Differential" or the difference between made/suffered in the matches. In case of further draw the result of the direct match will apply.

If a condition of draw will persist between more teams, the formula of the draw will apply.

E.g. 3 teams A/B/C with the following results: A vs B: 25-20 // B vs C: 25-20 // C vs A: 25-20.

6. DELAYS

The team that should not show up at the beginning of the SET indicated by the Acoustic Signal, it will start with the penalty of 1 point of advantage for each minute of delay (ex. if it shows after 3 minutes, the match will start with 0-3 score). After 10 minutes, if the team should not show up at the playing field will automatically lose the SET 25-0.

If both of the teams should not show up, both teams will get no points in the ranking.



7. TIME-OUT

No Time-Outs are allowed.

8. ARBITRAGE AND BEST PLAYER OPTION

Matches will be refereed by Teams belonging to the same level, as reported in the calendar. The Referee Team is committed to referee in full respect of the Playing Teams and Rules, in a fair and impartial. The Referee Team will have to provide at least 1 Referee. Providing a second Referee and two Linesmen is preferred.

Before the sound of the acoustic signal, the Referee Team will have to go to the desk to pick up the necessary for the arbitrage (whistle, scorecard), which **will have to be returned to the desk by the end of the match**.

If the Referee Team should not respect the rules described above or should show up late at the beginning of the match decreed by the Acoustic Signal will lose **1 Point** in the ranking.

At the end of the match the Referee must deliver the scorecard signed for acceptance by the captains of the two teams.

The Referee is also responsible of choosing the name of the best player of the match and reporting the name on the scorecard.

All the teams (the ones who have finished earlier as well) are kindly asked to remain at the courts and follow the assigned arbitrages.

9. CASES OF ACCIDENT

Emergency situations which require the replacement of athletes registered in different teams must be approved by Mamma Mia Staff. Anyway, the substitution can only be done with elements of the same level or lower.

In case of accident, if players are less than 6, the team will decide whether to continue the tournament with the remaining number of players, or to look for a replacement belonging to the same level or lower, on permission of the Mamma Mia Staff.

The Mamma Mia Staff discharges any responsibility in case of accidents that have occurred during the course of the tournament. It is strongly recommended for each player to behave with fair play for your own and of other athletes' safety.

10. AWARD CERIMONY

The award ceremony will take place during the final party, at **about 11 pm**.

11. FINAL CLAUSE

The Organizing Committee of the Tournament Mamma Mia unilaterally decide any disputes that may arise during the course of the tournament.

For each rule not explicitly mentioned in this regulation, reference is made to the official FIVB rules. All players agree to accept unreservedly the present Rules in its entirety. Any amendment to this regulation will be announced with the explicit approval of the staff Mamma Mia.



Registration for the tournament involves the simultaneous acceptance of the discharge of responsibility of the Gate Volley in case of injury of registered athletes.