

# **PUBG GLOBAL CHAMPIONSHIP 2025 Tournament Rulebook**

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### 1 Introduction

PUBG GLOBAL CHAMPIONSHIP ("PGC" or "Competition" or "Tournament") is a PUBG Esports Competition that is governed by the Standard and Universal PUBG Esports Ruleset ("SUPER"). The PUBG GLOBAL CHAMPIONSHIP Tournament Rulebook is intended to establish and enforce operational guidelines. SUPER should be used in addition to the PGC ruleset but supersedes in case of the ruleset conflicts. The latest version of SUPER can be found on pubgesports.com.

The PUBG GLOBAL CHAMPIONSHIP Tournament Rulebook and SUPER shall be collectively referred to as the official Tournament rules ("Rules"). Tournament officials ("Referees," "Head Referee," or "Administration") may amend the Rules and Tournament Format and make judgment calls on cases that are not specifically covered by the Rules to preserve the spirit of fair play and sportsmanship. The Administration and its officials always reserve the right to act with the necessary authority to preserve the best interests of the Competition, PUBG: Battlegrounds, KRAFTON Inc. ("KRAFTON") and any of its partners or affiliates. This power is not constrained by the lack of any specific language in this document.

These Rules apply to all teams, team owners, team managers, team staff, coaches, and players ("Participants") who participate in the Competition. Participants are responsible for abiding by these Rules in order to participate in the Competition. Participants who fail to abide by the Rules may be subject to penalties, fines, disqualifications, bans, forfeiture of prize money, or other sanctions per the sole discretion of the Administration. Tournament officials will make reasonable efforts to notify the Participants if any significant changes to these Rules are made. All decisions regarding the interpretation of these rules, player eligibility, scheduling, penalties for misconduct, and execution of the Competition lie solely with the Administration. Decisions made by the Administration are final unless otherwise clearly indicated and shall not give rise to any claim for monetary damages or any other legal or equitable remedy.

This rule may be translated into other languages for reference purposes. In the event of any conflict or discrepancy arising from the translation or interpretation of this rule, the English language version shall prevail and be considered the authoritative and binding version.

### 2 References

Throughout this document, you will find references to certain responsible parties. These parties are defined as follows:

- Host Refers to KRAFTON, which is responsible for hosting the PGC.
- <u>Administration</u> Refers to the Tournament Officials, who have the ultimate authority over all matters related to the Competition.
- <u>Referees</u> Referees are the first line of response for Participants during setup, rehearsals, and matches. They handle issues or rule clarifications. During a match, Referee rulings are final. Upon the conclusion of a match, teams may request further clarification from the Head Referee.
- Head Referees The Head Referee oversees all Referees. Referees will escalate
  issues to the Head Referee when unable to resolve them independently. Before,
  between, or after matches, Participants may request clarification from the Head
  Referee regarding any ruling. The Head Referee may escalate matters to the
  Administration if necessary.

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### 3 Basic Information

Event Name	PUBG GLOBAL CHAMPIONSHIP 2025 PGC 2025	
Competition Dates	Competition: 2025/11/28 ~ 2025/12/14  • Group Stage: 11/28, 29, 30, 12/1, 2, 3 (6)  • Last Stage: 12/5, 6, 7 (3)  • Grand Finals: 12/12, 13, 14 (3)	
Competition Location	Thailand	
Participating Teams 33 Teams		
Prize Pool	\$1,500,000 + @ Pick'em Crowdfunding (25% PUBG's Sales)	
Game Patch UPDATE #38.2 (2025.11.05 pc live update)		

# 4 Participants

Region	Regional Series	PGS Point
KR	2025 PUBG WEEKLY SERIES (4)	
CN	2025 PUBG CHAMPIONS LEAGUE (5)	
EMEA	PUBG EMEA Championship (5)	2025 DCS Doint Top 9
AMs	PUBG Americas Series (5)	2025 PGS Point Top 8
APAC	PUBG Global Series : APAC Qualifiers (5)	
Host city (TH)	FULL SENSE (1)	
Total	33	

A total of thirty-three (33) teams will participate in the Competition. Each team may register a total of six (6) members, consisting of four (4) or five (5) Players, one (1) Coach, and one (1) or two (2) Managers, based on the Regional Series roster. Rosters must be submitted to the Administration by the designated deadline, at which point they will be locked.

Prior to the start of each match day, Teams must submit their official roster for the day. Substitute Players may replace the originally designated starting Players within the Team.

Teams may register the Coach as a substitute Player. It is at the sole discretion of the Team to determine whether to utilize the substitute Player on each day of the Competition.

Teams requesting roster changes must submit the updated roster to the Administration by 11:00 AM (SEA – ICT) on the match day. Failure to comply will result in the roster from the previous match day (or rehearsal day) being carried forward.

No roster changes will be permitted after 11:00 AM (SEA – ICT), except under exceptional circumstances. Once the first official match of the day has commenced, no substitutions shall be allowed.

### Manager

 The Manager is the designated representative of the Team and is responsible for the overall management of the Team. The Manager serves as the primary point of contact for all Competition-related matters. Each Team may register up to two (2) Managers.

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#### Coach

- The Coach is responsible for overseeing the Team's training and preparation. Each Team may register one (1) Coach based on the Regional Series roster.

#### Player

 Players compete in official matches and participate directly in all Competition-related activities. Each Team may register up to five (5) Players based on the Regional Series roster.

#### 5 Format

#### 5.1 Tournament format

The format for the PGC 2025 shall be structured in three (3) stages as outlined below: the Group Stage, the Last Stage, and the Grand Finals. The final overall ranking of the Competition will be determined by the total points earned in the Grand Finals.

### [Group Stage]

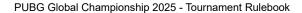
- A total of thirty-two (32) Teams shall participate in the Group Stage. These Teams will be divided into two (2) groups of sixteen (16) Teams each.
- Each group shall compete across three (3) days.
- At the conclusion of the Group Stage:
- The top five (5) Teams from each group (a total of ten (10) Teams) will advance directly to the Grand Finals.
- Teams ranked 6th to 13th in each group (a total of sixteen (16) Teams) will proceed to the Last Stage.
- Teams ranked 14th to 16th in each group (a total of six (6) Teams) will be eliminated from the Competition.

#### [Last Stage]

- A total of sixteen (16) Teams, composed of the Teams ranked 6th to 13th in each group during the Group Stage, shall compete in the Last Stage.
- The Last Stage will take place over three (3) consecutive days.
- Upon the conclusion of the Last Stage:
- The top five (5) Teams, based on cumulative points, shall advance to the Grand Finals.
- The remaining eleven (11) Teams shall be eliminated from the Competition.

#### [Grand Finals]

- A total of sixteen (16) Teams shall participate in the Grand Finals, consisting of:
- Ten (10) Teams that directly advanced from the Group Stage
- Five (5) Teams that advanced from the Last Stage
- One (1) Wildcard Team
- The Grand Finals will take place over three (3) consecutive days.
- The final overall ranking of the PGC 2025 shall be determined solely based on the total points earned during the Grand Finals.





# **Group Stage Team Distribution**

32 teams participating in the Group Stage are placed according to the following table.

# **Group A**

No	Group A	Tag	Seed
1	Twisted Minds	TWIS	PGS Point #1
2	DN FREECS	DNF	PGS Point #4
3	17Gaming	17	PGS Point #5
4	Gen.G	GEN	PGS Point #8
5	The Expendables	TE	PGS APAC Qualifier #1
6	eArena	EA	PGS APAC Qualifier #3
7	Sharper Esport	SP	PGS APAC Qualifier #5
8	FURIA	FUR	PUBG Americas Series #2
9	AlQadsiah Esports	QAD	PUBG Americas Series #4
10	Geekay Esports	GK	PUBG EMEA Championship #1
11	Team Orchid	ORCH	PUBG EMEA Championship #3
12	Nemiga Gaming	NMG	PUBG EMEA Championship #5
13	JDG Esports	JDG	PUBG CHAMPIONS LEAGUE #2
14	Four Angry Men	4AM	PUBG CHAMPIONS LEAGUE #4
15	T1	T1	PUBG WEEKLY SERIES #1
16	FN Pocheon	FN	PUBG WEEKLY SERIES #3

# **Group B**

No	Group B	Tag	Seed
1	Virtus.pro	VP	PGS Point #2
2	Team Falcons	FLC	PGS Point #3
3	Made in Thailand	MiTH	PGS Point #6
4	BB Team	BB	PGS Point #7
5	Theerathon Five	T5	PGS APAC Qualifier #2
6	Anyone's Legend	AL	PGS APAC Qualifier #4
7	Team Liquid	TL	PUBG Americas Series #1
8	Copenhagen Wolves	WOLF	PUBG Americas Series #3
9	ROC Esports	ROC	PUBG Americas Series #5
10	FaZe Clan	FaZe	PUBG EMEA Championship #2
11	Natus Vincere	NAVI	PUBG EMEA Championship #4
12	Petrichor Road	PeRo	PUBG CHAMPIONS LEAGUE #1
13	Game Start Win	GSW	PUBG CHAMPIONS LEAGUE #3
14	Change The Game	CTG	PUBG CHAMPIONS LEAGUE #5
15	Baegopa	BGP	PUBG WEEKLY SERIES #2
16	AZLA PENTAGRAM	AZLA	PUBG WEEKLY SERIES #4

### 6 Match Schedule

Each day of the Competition will follow the same match schedule. Match start times may be rescheduled depending on any accelerations or delays in the production schedule. The match schedule plan is listed below.

Expected start time	
Group Stage: 18:00 (SEA - ICT / GMT+7)	
Grand Finals: 16:30 (SEA - ICT / GMT+7)	

# 7 Map Order

The map order for each day of the Competition is listed below.

Group Stage (E6/M6/T3/R3)						
	Match 1	Match 2	Match 3	Match 4	Match 5	Match 6
Day 1	Miramar	Miramar	Taego	Rondo	Erangel	Erangel
Day 2	Miramar	Miramar	Taego	Rondo	Erangel	Erangel
Day 3	Miramar	Miramar	Taego	Rondo	Erangel	Erangel
Day 4	Miramar	Miramar	Taego	Rondo	Erangel	Erangel
Day 5	Miramar	Miramar	Taego	Rondo	Erangel	Erangel
Day 6	Miramar	Miramar	Taego	Rondo	Erangel	Erangel
		Las	st Stage (E6/M6	/T3/R3)		
Day 1 Erangel Erangel Taego Rondo Miramar				Miramar		
Day 2	Erangel	Erangel	Taego	Rondo	Miramar	Miramar
Day 3	Erangel	Erangel	Taego	Rondo	Miramar	Miramar
Grand Finals (E6/M6/T3/R3)						
	Match 1	Match 2	Match 3	Match 4	Match 5	Match 6
Day 1	Miramar	Miramar	Taego	Rondo	Erangel	Erangel
Day 2	Miramar	Miramar	Taego	Rondo	Erangel	Erangel
Day 3	Miramar	Miramar	Taego	Rondo	Erangel	Erangel

### 8 Prize Pool

The prize pool for the Competition consists of a guaranteed prize pool and crowdfunded prize pool. The guaranteed prize pool of \$1,500,000 (USD) will be distributed to participants based on the final placement. The crowdfunded prize pool is an additional, fan-funded amount equal to 25% of Receipts of the Competition's in-game item sales. The final crowdfunding prize is distributed in proportion to the final ranking achieved by each team.

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The Administration will collect the required information necessary for the payout of prize money from all teams. The prize pool amount will be paid minus any taxes and withholdings, and the related agreement must be completed and signed by all players and the authorized team representative from each respective team before payment can be issued.

Rank	Prize	%
1	\$500,000	33.33%
2	\$150,000	10.00%
3	\$120,000	8.00%
4	\$90,000	6.00%
5	\$60,000	4.00%
6	\$50,000	3.33%
7	\$40,000	2.67%
8	\$34,000	2.27%
9	\$31,000	2.07%
10	\$30,000	2.00%
11	\$29,000	1.93%
12	\$28,000	1.87%
13	\$27,000	1.80%
14	\$26,000	1.73%
15	\$25,000	1.67%
16	\$24,000	1.60%
17	\$21,000	1.40%
18	\$20,000	1.33%
19	\$19,000	1.27%
20	\$18,000	1.20%
21	\$17,000	1.13%
22	\$16,000	1.07%
23	\$15,000	1.00%
24	\$14,000	0.93%
25	\$13,000	0.87%
26	\$12,000	0.80%
27	\$11,000	0.73%
28	\$10,000	0.67%
29	\$10,000	0.67%
30	\$10,000	0.67%
31	\$10,000	0.67%
32	\$10,000	0.67%
33	\$10,000	0.67%
Total	\$1,500,000	100.00%



### 9 General Rules

#### 9.1 Hardware and Software

The following hardware will be provided for use during all tournament matches and practice matches. Players must use the provided hardware during all tournament matches and scheduled practice matches.

- Computer
- Monitor
- Webcam
- Noise-canceling headsets

All Participants may not disassemble or otherwise modify the provided hardware. If the hardware is modified without the approval of the Administration, a penalty will be imposed.

A team communication solution for players during tournament matches and practice matches will also be provided. The provided team communication solution must be used. The use of any other team communication solution is strictly prohibited. Communication between team members must comply with SUPER's Code of Conduct, and all player voices in official scrims and official matches are recorded.

Players must bring the following hardware for use during tournament matches and practice matches:

- Mouse
- Keyboard
- Mouse pad
- Headsets or/and in-ear buds
- Microphone (if applicable)
- Monitor Arm/Holder (if applicable)

In addition to the above, players may bring their own USB interfaced external sound cards.

Mouse, keyboards, and soundcards must utilize standard USB interfaces. Hardware that requires any unauthorized conversion to connect with USB interfaces is not permitted. Players may not connect any device other than a mouse, keyboard, in-ear buds, and/or soundcard to their PC without explicit permission from Administration. All player-provided hardware must function properly without an internet connection. Players will be given an opportunity to install any necessary drivers during a designated setup and testing period.

Players are solely responsible for their own equipment. If any player-provided equipment malfunctions, breaks, gets lost, or is stolen, players must provide their own replacement equipment. All player-provided equipment is subject to inspection and approval by the Administration. The Administration reserves the right to deny the use of any equipment that is suspected of creating an unfair competitive advantage. All electronic devices not related to the competition are not allowed to be brought into the Tournament area, such as mobile phones, smartwatches, USB storage devices, speakers, etc. All Players are solely responsible for replacing any rejected equipment.

The Administration will provide over-ear headphones with noise-canceling functionality (Model: BOSE QC35). All players must use the provided over-ear headphones during the whole period of the Tournament. Players are also forced to use their own in-ear

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headphones/in-ear buds for the in-game sounds. During the official matches, the Administration will broadcast white noise at the same decibel level to all players' headphones.

For players who are unable to use in-ear earphones due to ear-related medical conditions and therefore cannot use the audio setup provided from the Administration, please submit a medical certificate to the Administration in advance. The Administration will make appropriate adjustments for the affected player based on the situation.

All software installations are subject to inspection and approval by the Administration. Players may not alter game files, modify drivers, or change the video settings in Windows without explicit approval from the Administration.

### 9.2 Player Apparel

All players must always wear their pro-team jersey while on stage and during any media appearances. Players must also always wear pants and closed-toed shoes while on stage. Sandals are prohibited. Players are solely responsible for their own apparel, which are subject to approval by the Administration. Player apparel, which includes clothing and makeup, is subject to the following rules unless an exception is provided by the Host:

- Subject to any limitations in the Rules or in any agreement concluded with KRAFTON, including but not limited to the Team's Team Participation Agreement, Player apparel may include sponsor logos. Sponsor logos are subject to approval by the Administration. The Administration reserves the right to reject the inclusion of any sponsor logo.
- Player apparel may not include any advertisement of a company that does not exist.
- Player apparel may not include any reference to any medicine or medication subject to medical prescription, tobacco products (or any other nicotine delivery product, e.g., heated tobacco product or e-cigarettes), alcohol products, marijuana products, controlled substance-related products, or other objectionable material.
- Player apparel may not include any content that is considered defamatory, obscene, vulgar, repulsive, offensive, disruptive, politically insensitive by the Administration or Host in their sole discretion, or which refers to things a reasonable person might consider socially unacceptable.
- Player apparel may not include content which promotes discrimination, hate, violence, the use of illegal substances, illegal activities, mail fraud, pyramid schemes, or promotion of investment opportunities not permitted by applicable law
- Player apparel may not include any content that is pornographic.
- Player apparel may not include a trademarked or copyrighted material or other intellectual property without the owner's written consent, or which might expose the Competition to the risk of claims of infringement, misappropriation, or other forms of unfair Competition (in relation to any such claim, any such player and team shall indemnify the Competition).
- Player apparel may not include any political and/or religious messaging, including but not limited to, promotion of political candidates or messaging,





- religious products or services, and/or any website, social media, traditional media, brands, etc. that could be considered political or religious in nature.
- Player apparel cannot include beanies, hats, or other forms of headwear which
  covers any part of the ear and/or face. Exceptions for this rule can be made for
  health or religious purposes by seeking prior approval from the Administration.
- Player apparel may not include any account selling, account sharing, or account trading websites or any businesses that give one player an unfair advantage over another player, including but not limited to hacking, cheating, and key selling.

Player apparel may not include any content that otherwise relates to companies or individuals that would be ineligible to be sponsors.

### 9.3 Event Stage Access

The Event Stage refers to the official Competition area. Only players, Referees, Head Referee, and Administration can enter the stage. Any additional personnel must be given explicit permission by the Administration before entering the stage. Only players who are actively participating in the match, Referees, the Head Referee, and members of the Administration will be allowed on stage during a match. Referees will inform other Participants when they are required to leave the stage. At this time, all individuals, except players, Referees, and members of the Administration, must leave the stage. Any individual who fails to do so in a timely manner is subject to punishment.

No props, ornaments, signs, banners, flags, or any other items that could cause a distraction are allowed on stage, unless approved by the Administration.

### 9.4 Event Stage Food and Drinks

Bringing in or consuming food is prohibited on stage.

### 9.5 Photography and Recording

Photography and/or audiovisual recording of any kind is not permitted without the prior written consent of the Administration. Any unauthorized recording of any kind will result in strict punishment.

### 9.6 Violations of Rules & Regulations / Punishments

Participants who fail to abide by these official rules or Code of Conduct may be subject to penalties, fines, suspensions, or bans as deemed necessary and appropriate by the Administration.

The Administration reserves the right to investigate any instance in which a rule may be violated. Participants shall not withhold information from the Administration during an investigation. During an investigation, Participants must adhere to the instructions of the Administration and supply complete and accurate information. Participants shall never create any obstruction to an investigation.

The Administration reserves the right to issue, without limitation of its authority, penalties at its sole discretion upon discovery of any conduct or rule violations in accordance with the severity of the infraction. Repeated infractions may result in more severe consequences. Penalties may include, but are not limited to the following:





### **Types of Penalties**

- Verbal Guidance
  - Two "Cautions" will be accumulated to a "Warning."
  - When a "Warning" is issued, previously given caution penalties will be removed.
- Warning(s)
  - When a "Warning" is issued, 2 PUBG points are deducted per instance. "Warning" may be issued immediately at the discretion of the referee, regardless of the accumulated number of "Cautions."
- Fine(s) and/or deduction(s) of prize money
- Forfeiture(s) of match(es)
- Disqualification(s)
- Suspension(s) or Ban(s)



# **Example of Penalty Standards**

Classification	Description	Level of Penalties	
Tardiness	Failure to take a seat or enter in the lobby by the time specified by the Administration		
In-Game Apparel	Wearing in-game apparel (skins) other than those specified by the Administration	Caution	
Termination of the game(s)	Switching between windows (Alt+Tab, Ctrl+ESC) or intentionally terminating game(s), Alt+Tab or Ctrl+ESC may be permitted if players are experiencing technical issues but a Referee must be notified		
	Intentionally interfering with the Competition or failing to reasonably cooperate in the participation of the Competition		
Interference	Failure to reasonably cooperate in the participation of programs and sub-programs related to the Competition (use of devices such as a metal detector or heart rate program)	Administration's	
interierence	Failing to participate professionally in official or rehearsal matches (includes suicide, teamkilling, deliberate rejection of play)	discretion	
	Failure/Late to participate any Tournament relate event (including official matches, scrims, media event, etc.)		
Use of electronic devices	Bring in or using electronic devices in the venue during a match (including mobile phones, tablets, and electronic cigarettes)	Caution — Warning	
Smoke in the Tournament area	Smoking (including using the electronic cigarettes) in the Tournament area or any other non- smoking area in the venue		
Violations of Rules	Other failures to comply with the Rules	Administration's discretion	
Rigging	Entrusting your account to another player to participate in the game, regardless of whether the participant was financially compensated	Up to indefinite	
Cheating	The act of elevating the game performance through actions that are not relevant to the player's own ability	suspension	
Harassment	Making statements that are threatening, defamatory, insulting, or offensive	Administration's discretion	
Discrimination	Words, actions, or similar acts that insult the dignity of a private person or group of people, such as race, nation, social origin, or gender, or contain political or religious derogatory messages		
Use of illegal	Production and distribution of illegal, unauthorized programs such as hacks		
programs	Intentional use of illegal, unauthorized programs such as hacks and known bugs		
Match-fixing	Any form of intentionally fixing the results of matches, regardless of whether the participant was financially compensated	Up to permanent	
	Conspiring with or conniving at match-fixing	ban	
Collusion	Any agreement or collusion between two or more individuals, including players, coach, team staff members, tournament officials, or third parties, to impede fair competition, regardless of financial compensation		
Violence and Crime	Violence, sexual actions, or harassment that may offend others		
Legal Violations	Violations of applicable law		



## 10 Before the Competition

#### 10.1 Tournament Period

#### 10.1.1 Compliance with Official Schedule

Upon entry into the Tournament host region, the competition schedule will commence. All teams are obligated to comply with the laws and regulations of the Tournament host region. Violations may be subject to legal consequences under the jurisdiction of the host region.

All teams must actively cooperate with all official tournament preparations, including profile photo shoots, interviews, orientation, and official scrims. Teams that refuse to comply with the official schedule without valid and unavoidable reasons may be subject to penalties.

#### 10.1.2 Use of Accommodations and Official Event Facilities

When using facilities such as hotel rooms or competition zones, the teams must comply with the user guide for each and try to prevent damage or loss of facilities and equipment. If the facility is damaged or lost, the responsible team is obligated to compensate according to the extent of the damage.

### 11 Before Match

### 11.1 Set-up Time

Players will have designated blocks of time prior to their match time to ensure they are fully prepared. The Administration may change the schedule due to broadcast related issues or other reasonable grounds. Once the player has finished setting up and testing the necessary equipment, the equipment is not allowed to be removed from the seat unless authorized by the Administration.

If any equipment provided by the Administration is not functioning, the player should immediately report the issue to the Referee in which they will decide how to best address the issue. If the issue is not addressed to the player and/or team's liking, they may request the Referee to escalate the issue to the Head Referee.

#### 11.2 Check-In

Scheduling is essential to the efficient operation, commercial viability, and integrity of the Competition. All players must be seated to play the match by the time required by the Administration and ready to compete on stage five (5) minutes prior to the start of a match. Teams who fail to field a full and eligible roster five (5) minutes prior to the start of a match may be subject to penalties. The Administration reserves the right to amend the match start times. Match start times may be adjusted depending on any accelerations or delays in the production schedule. The Administration will communicate changes to the match schedule to all Participants. Once players have checked in for a match, they may not leave the stage without the explicit permission from Administration. Only the four players who are competing that day are allowed to enter the stage and tournament area. Once the match begins, the players can only leave the stage during designated rest periods.

The team can participate in a match with a minimum of three squad members.

Team's coach can participate in the match as a player if qualified.

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#### 11.3 Mobile Phones and Electronic Devices

No mobile phones or electronic devices (including e-cigarettes) are allowed on the stage. All players must store their mobile phones and/or electronic devices in designated locations before entering the Tournament area. All devices will be returned upon exiting the Tournament area.

#### 11.4 Health-Related Electronic Devices

If it is necessary to bring an electronic device into the stage due to a health issue, it is allowed only after obtaining prior approval from the Administration.

## 12 During Match

### 12.1 Match Support

A player may report any issue during a match by raising a hand to a Referee. The Referee will then decide how to best address the issue.

### 12.2 Remaining Seated

Players must always remain seated during a match and not leave their seats until given explicit permission by a Referee following the completion of a match.

### 12.3 TeamSpeak Channel

Each team is permitted to have a maximum of two people other than players in the team's TeamSpeak channel. From the start of the match until the team is eliminated, only the four players are allowed to speak in the channel and the Administration will mute all individuals in the channel except for the players.

#### 12.4 Headsets and Gears

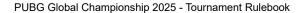
Players must always wear their own private headsets while they are playing and are allowed to take off the headsets once all team members are eliminated. Headsets must always be unobstructed and in plain sight during a match. Removing headsets during an official match may be subject to penalties. Using additional gears such as gaming microphones, or exemption of wearing headsets due to players' physical disease, it is subject to the approval by the Administration.

#### 12.5 In-Game Skins

Players must wear in-game items designated by the Administration for all matches.

After a player leaves the in-game lobby, his or her character must remain fully clothed in the game for the remainder of the match. Clothing exchanges for cosmetic purposes or comic effects are not permitted inside the game.

It is strictly prohibited to take off any part of the outfit during the match. Dismantling or selling of the provided items is strictly prohibited.





#### In-game skin (PGC 2025 SET)



### 12.6 Internet Access and Applications

During a match, players may not run a web browser or any application other than the PUBG client, the necessary drivers or software, and team communication solutions.

### 12.7 Streaming

Players' individual screens and voices, including the Competition footage, may be broadcasted only by Administration, Host, or those with approval from the Host (reruns, VOD, etc.) programming through public TV and online platforms, and may be used after editing. The broadcasting platform is determined at the discretion of the Host.

The broadcasting of the Competition is not limited or restricted due to the individual streaming contract or management contract of the team or the player, and any problems arising from contracts Teams or players may have with third parties are the sole responsibility of the respective teams or players.

#### 12.8 PC Reboot

Players may not turn off their computer or reboot the game client without explicit permission from a Referee.

### 12.9 Rematch

The Administration reserves the right to call for a rematch if multiple players experience lag or glitches, if the game server is deemed unstable, in the event of a power interruption, or if there are extreme circumstances in which a full match restart is necessary to retain the competitive integrity of the Competition per the sole discretion of Administration.





#### 12.10 Disconnection

Intentionally disconnecting from the PUBG game client or server during an official match is strictly prohibited and may be subject to penalties. If any player disconnects before all 64 players have landed successfully, the match shall be restarted. Once all 64 players have landed successfully, the match is considered to have officially started.

### 12.10.1 Early-Match Disconnection

If a player experiences a disconnection after a match has officially started, the player must notify a Referee immediately by raising a hand. The Referee will attempt to reconnect the player. The match must continue normally whether the player is able to successfully reconnect or not.

After all 64 players have successfully landed, the match may be restarted only in the following cases:

- All players are marked "#unknown"
- The lobby host failed to join the game
- Any of the players failed to join the game
  - If the player who initially failed to join the game also fails to join the restarted match, the game shall continue without that player.
- When it is deemed impossible to proceed normally due to the occurrence of lag or disconnection for multiple players

Other cases that are approved for a rematch according to the reasonable judgment of the Administration

### 12.10.2 Large-Scale Disconnection

If all alive teams, all but one (1) alive team, or ten (10) or more alive players disconnect simultaneously, the match must be immediately terminated. A rematch that consists only of the players who were still alive at the exact time of the large-scale disconnection must be conducted. If any player is discovered to have been responsible for the cause of the large-scale disconnection, that player will be excluded from the rematch. The results of the rematch will be added to the results of the match in which the large-scale disconnection took place to determine the final results of the match.

### 12.11 Compensation Point, "CP"

Due to official computer or game issues, in the case of a mandatory game restart or automatic game restart, if a player is eliminated during the reconnection process, the team to which the player belongs may be awarded compensation points.

If a player is revived and then killed, CP will not be awarded. If the player reconnects to the match and is killed immediately after, a judgment call must be made by Administration. If the player did not have a chance to survive beyond reasonable doubt, CP will be awarded.

CP is applied to the end of day results and never to a specific match. CP should be added only to the total points and never to the kill points or placement points in any way.

To determine the number of CP that will be awarded:

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- Add the player's kills across all matches of the day excluding the player's lowest kill
  match of the day. If the player experienced more than one critical disconnection,
  exclude as many matches as the number of critical disconnections starting with the
  lowest kill match. Note that the excluded match may be different from the match in
  which the critical disconnection occurred.
- 2. Divide by the number of matches of the day that the player did not experience a critical disconnection.
- 3. If this number is less than 1, round up to 1. If this is greater than 1, round to the nearest whole number.
- 4. Multiply by the number of critical disconnections to determine that player's total CP for that match day.

At least one (1) and at most four (4) CP will be awarded for every critical disconnection.

#### 12.12 Tiebreaker

#### - Match Point

- 1 The ranking for each Match is determined by the total Match Points (Placement + Kill Point) earned.
- 2 If ① is a tie, teams with higher Placement will be ranked higher.

#### - Accumulated Points

- 1 The final ranking is determined by the accumulated Match Points (Placement Point + Kill Point) for all matches.
- If ① is a tie, teams with the higher accumulated Placement Point (excluding the Kill Point) in all matches will be ranked higher.
- 3 If ② is a tie, teams with the higher Match Point (Placement Point + Kill Point) on the most recent match will be ranked higher.
- 4 If ③ is a tie, teams with the higher Placement point on the most recent match will be ranked higher.
- If ④ is a tie, teams with the higher Total Damage on the most recent match will be ranked higher.

#### 12.13 Observers

Only the observers who have been explicitly authorized by the Administration will be allowed to join the game server.

### 12.14 Replay and Match Data

All players must have and activate the in-game replay feature for the Competition. All replays and screenshots of the match will be saved for 14 days from the end of the Tournament. The Administration reserves the right to request replays or screenshots at any time within 14 days.

#### 12.15 Bugs

Even in the case of a bug negatively affecting a player, there shall be no rematch or solution available to the player.

If a bug is found by a player during a match, it shall be notified immediately to the Referee. The player who discovers the bug but intentionally hides it from the Referee is considered to have abused the bug and will be penalized.

If players deliberately use a bug during a game to gain an advantage in the game, it will
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be regarded as cheating and will be penalized. The level of penalty is determined by the level of fraudulent behavior.

#### **12.16 Cheats**

The use of cheats is forbidden during the Competition. The use of a cheat will result in bans and/or disqualifications. For purposes of clarity, a cheat is any program, software, code, or hack that gives players a competitive advantage over their opponent. Examples of cheats include:

- ESP
- Radar hacks
- Wallhacks
- Speedhacks
- Aimhacks
- Hitbox manipulation
- Teleportation
- Using a bug/bugs to gain an advantage versus opponents
- Editing game files to remove grass or other aspects from the game
- Mouse Macro, all Mouse Macro are not allowed to be used in the official matches.
   However, players are allowed to use the Mouse Drivers like BlasterX, Razer Synapse,
   Logitech G Hub, SteelSeries Engine etc. Mouse Drivers will be checked by referees
   before the match day starts.
- All 3rd party software or tools that are not allowed by the game publisher and that can
  give an unfair advantage to a player or team are classified as cheating and are not
  allowed. Examples of software that are not allowed are Nvidia Profile Inspector,
  SweetFX and VibranceGUI.

The above-mentioned software is strictly prohibited from being used on any tournament equipment at any time, including during match time, practice time, or setup/debug time. Any player or team found using it will be penalized.

If a team uses a player that has an active ban by PUBG, the team will be disqualified from the Tournament.

#### 12.17 Adherence to Rules

During a match, Referees and Head Referees will make rulings to the best of their judgment to ensure the matches are completed in adherence to the Rules. These rulings must be adhered to by the Participants during a match.

### 13 After Match

### 13.1 Results

Official match results will be posted on the website in accordance with the procedures.

#### 13.2 Disputes

Participants who wish to contest a ruling made by the Administration, believe a rule has been violated, or believe tournament integrity has been jeopardized in any way ("Disputing Party") may open a dispute.

A dispute must not delay an upcoming match unless the dispute has the potential to impact the qualification or elimination for the upcoming match, at the sole discretion of the Administration.





The procedure to open and resolve a dispute is as follows:

- A written statement must be provided to the representative of the Host or Administration within one (1) hour of the completion of the match day in which the dispute pertains. The statement, at its minimum, must explain the Disputing Parties dispute and basic details of the situation.
- Based on the situation, the Administration will determine if the dispute is clearly addressed by the Rules. If so, the dispute will be addressed accordingly. If not, the Administration will take necessary steps to establish a fair and judicious ruling on the manner.
- 3. The ruling on the dispute must be decided prior to the following match day, or before the final rankings are calculated for that respective stage, whichever happens first.
- 4. At this point, the ruling will become final.

### 13.3 Interviews and Other Post-Match Obligations

Players will be informed of any post-match obligations, including, but not limited to, media appearances, interviews, or further discussion of any match matters as determined by the Administration. Interpreters, managers and/or coaches can be present as and when needed.

Interviews will be made public worldwide, just as the official matches. If a player violates the rules of conduct during the interview, such as exhibiting indecent, discriminatory, and violent words and behavior, the player will be penalized.

#### 13.4 Breaks Between Matches

Matches will be conducted as per the schedule. Players must enter the lobby as quickly as possible after the completion of the previous match. The Host will not delay the start of the matches for late arriving players. Failure to return to the lobby on time may subject the player to penalties.

All team officials and players may not move or stay illegally in unauthorized places in any way during the time of the match, including breaks.

# 14 Supplementary Rules

#### 14.1 Host's Rights

The Host reserves the right to collect, process, and use all results, records, and data relating to the Competition.

### 14.2 Relationship of Rights and Duties

Teams and players shall not edit or disclose the competition-related content (regardless of the creator) externally through media such as the Internet without the prior consent of the Administration. If this obligation is breached, the Host may take any possible legal action against the team and players concerned.

The team agrees that the Host has the right to use the following competition-related portrait rights and IP (Intellectual Property) of the team and players:

- The name, logo, symbol, images, videos, audios, etc. of the Competition
- All records such as Competition results, statistics, and data
- The name, logo, image, etc. of the team for participating in the Competition





- The player's name, date of birth, nickname, ID, images, videos, audios, etc.
- All other edited content of the Competition

The team agrees that the Administration may freely use the portrait rights of the team and its players for the development and success of the Competition or for the publicity and promotion of participating teams and players. These use rights are not limited in platform, medium, or period.

The use of portrait rights and license rights is not limited to online or offline formats, or in terms of platforms, media, or period.

Information of all participants and results of the Competition will be published on the PUBG ESPORTS official website, <u>pubgesports.com</u>. Participating teams must reasonably cooperate with the process for gathering and posting information.

#### 14.3 Promotions

The Administration may request promotional activities such as competition-related events, marketing, advertisements, etc. from the participating teams, and all teams and players are obligated to cooperate with such requests unless there is an unavoidable reason.

If the team and players do not cooperate in promotional activities without unavoidable reasons, the team and players may be penalized at the discretion of the Host.

Promotional activities are categorized as follows:

- Interviews
- Promotional videos
- Player profile photoshoots
- Orientation, player training
- Fan meets and promotions for the Competition
- Competition-related subprograms

### 14.4 Confidentiality

Team staff (managers, coaching staff, players, etc.) may not disclose confidential information obtained by themselves through participation in the Competition and any confidential information related to the Competition obtained from the Administration. The effect of this provision will continue after the Competition is over.

#### 14.5 Defamation

A Team or player is prohibited from in any way slandering, disparaging, or defaming any affiliates or officials including PUBG: BATTLEGROUNDS, Tournament Parties, Referees, and Team Handlers. The effect of this provision will continue after the Competition is over.

### 14.6 Quitting Competition

### 14.6.1 Quitting

The team may not request to withdraw from the Competition until the conclusion of all official Tournament schedules, except in cases where participation is deemed impossible due to unavoidable circumstances.





If it is determined that participation in the Tournaments is not possible due to natural disasters, health issues, or other valid reasons that prevent the team or its members from competing, the team must obtain prior approval from the Administration and submit official documentation substantiating the cause.

### 14.6.2 Interfering with the Competition

All teams are required to participate in all official schedules and matches in good faith. Any team that refuses to participate in the Competition without a valid reason will be subject to penalties.

