



RULES FOR THE 2016 STOCKHOLM TENS

“Men’s” (The M Tournament) 16 teams

1. The tournament consists of the following teams. The teams were seeded on the basis of available information, including previous results. They were then assigned to the pools as follows:

Pool A	Pool B	Pool C	Pool D
Stockholm Exiles RFC	BaltRex-Šiauliai	Projecx Waterboys	The Challengers
Alumni RFC	Hammarby Barbarians	Tabusoro Warriors Int.	Beavers
DLA Piper XV	Troján	Södertälje RK	Exiles Babas
Cancer Research Wolves	Beaver Pups	Seventise	Cairo Rugby

2. No later than 20 minutes before the start of their first match the team manager must give the organisers a team list of up to a total of 15 players on the form provided. If no form is handed in and a protest form is submitted the team might be expelled from the tournament. If the team sheet has less than 10 names on it the team will automatically be disqualified. The managers are required to confirm their team sheet 20 minutes before their first game on day 2.
3. Play on the first day of the tournament will consist of matches between teams in the same pool on a round robin basis. No extra time will be played in pool matches.

Competition Points will be awarded for these matches on the following basis

Win = 3 points, Draw = 2 points, Loss = 1 points, No show = 0 points (And an automatic last place in the pool)

4. All matches will last 2x10 minutes with a half-time break of two minutes.
5. If two or more teams in the same pool have the same number of “competition points” after the pool matches according to Rule 3, then the rankings will be decided as follows:

If two teams are involved

The winner of the pool game between the involved teams gets the higher ranking.

If the game was a draw see points (a) – (e)

(a) The margin of points scored for and against a team in all pool matches shall be considered (PD). The team with the highest positive margin of points shall be ranked higher in the pool competition table.

(b) If teams cannot be separated after a) then the margin of tries scored for and against a team in all pool matches shall be considered (TD). The team with the highest positive margin of tries shall be ranked higher in the pool competition table.

- (c) If teams still cannot be separated, then the team that has scored the highest number of points in the pool matches shall be ranked higher in the pool competition table (PT).
- (d) If teams still cannot be separated, then the team that has scored the highest number of tries in the pool matches shall be ranked higher in the pool competition table (TT).
- (e) If teams still cannot be separated, then The tie will be resolved by the toss of a coin between the team managers concerned

If three teams are involved

The following process shall be used to determine the placings:

- (a) The margin of points scored for and against a team in all pool matches shall be considered (PD). The team with the highest positive margin of points shall be ranked higher in the pool competition table.
- (b) If teams cannot be separated after a) then the margin of tries scored for and against a team in all pool matches shall be considered (TD). The team with the highest positive margin of tries shall be ranked higher in the pool competition table.
- (c) If teams still cannot be separated, then the team that has scored the highest number of points in the pool matches shall be ranked higher in the pool competition table (PT).
- (d) If teams still cannot be separated, then the team that has scored the highest number of tries in the pool matches shall be ranked higher in the pool competition table (TT).
- (e) If teams still cannot be separated, then the tie will be resolved by the toss of a coin between the team managers concerned

6. Following the completion of the pool games, the pool winners and the second placed teams will progress to the Cup/Plate Competition. The third and fourth placed teams will progress to the Bowl competition.
7. The **Quarter-finals of the Stockholm Tens Cup/Plate** will be played in the following order:
QF1: A1 vs. B2, **QF2:** B1 vs. A2, **QF3:** C1 vs. D2, **QF4:** D1 vs. C2.

The **Semi-finals of the Stockholm Tens Cup** will be played in the following order:

Winner QF 1 vs. Winner QF 2 and Winner QF 4 vs. Winner QF 3

The **Semi-finals of the Stockholm Tens Plate** will be played in the following order:

Looser QF 1 vs. Looser QF 2 and Looser QF 4 vs. Looser QF 3

8. The **Quarter-finals of the Stockholm Tens Bowl** will be played in the following order:
QF 1: A3 vs. B4, **QF 2:** B3 vs. A4, **QF 3:** C3 vs. D4, **QF 4:** D3 vs. C4.

The **Semi-finals of the Stockholm Tens Bowl** will be played in the following order:

Winner QF 1 vs. Winner QF 2 and Winner QF 4 vs. Winner QF 3

The losers of the Bowl quarter finals are knocked out.

9. The **Finals** in all three tournaments will be played between the winners of the Semi-finals.
10. If a match is drawn at full-time in the quarter-finals, semi-finals or finals of the tournament then extra time will be played. The extra time will be played in periods of five minutes with the teams changing ends without a break.

The team, which initially kicked off, will start the first period of extra time and turnabout will take place thereafter.

The first team to score in extra time will be declared the winners and the match will stop immediately (so called sudden death).