

## FAQ'S Maccabiah Games 2025

### **What are the dates of the Games?**

Officially 8<sup>th</sup> July – 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025. Team GB however will be travelling on the 6<sup>th</sup> July.

### **Where will the competitions be held?**

Maccabiah 2025 will be held in Israel. The majority of competitions will take place in Haifa, Jerusalem, Netanya and Tel Aviv. Specific sports, age categories and venues will be available in Spring of 2024.

\*Note: competition venues are subject to change.

### **How many people do Team Great Britain plan on taking to the Maccabiah?**

400-500 participants.

### **Which countries will compete at the Games?**

Approximately 80 countries from across the world

### **When would Team GB be departing?**

The Juniors and Open Team members will depart on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2025.

We will be holding a Pre Camp on the 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> July, and this is compulsory for all Juniors & Open Athletes and is available to Masters, if the Masters do not wish to join pre camp, then they will travel out on the 8<sup>th</sup> July.

### **When is the opening ceremony for the 2025 Games?**

10<sup>th</sup> July 2025

### **When is the closing ceremony for the 2025 Games?**

21<sup>st</sup> July 2025 (this is a closed event, athletes only).

### **When are Team GB arriving back in the UK?**

22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025.

### **How are the teams chosen? Are there trials?**

An athlete will apply online via the Maccabi GB website. Depending on their chosen sport, they will be notified by the Team Manager if/when trials are to take place. Where an athlete has trialled, the Team Managers will select their squad and the trialists will be informed via email by Maccabi GB who has been successful/unsuccessful.

Those selected to compete for Maccabi GB, will be sent a Handbook and any supporting documents, including financial procedures.

An athlete is only deemed accepted once both the deposit and direct debit/other agreed payment plan has been received by Maccabi GB and the relevant agreements and medical processes have been signed and completed.

It is Maccabi GB's aim to take the maximum number of athletes and squads to the Games. However, this is not always possible. Maccabi GB are reliant on other countries bringing squads to the Games in order to make each competition viable. If for example a country pulls out and in turn a competition does not have the minimum number of teams required, that sports competition will not go ahead. Maccabi GB will offer a full refund, minus any irrecoverable costs, to participants in these circumstances.

### **Will there be activities beyond sports competitions during the games?**

Team Members in the Junior & Open categories will take part in our Pre Camp programme. Further details to be sent out upon selection.

### **Will there be a parent information evening?**

We will host a parent evening for all junior athletes parents / guardians normally in the May/June before the Games.

### **Can I deviate my travel at all?**

Yes – but only on the return journey.

Deviations can be done with our travel agents, who we will send details out (once selected). You will need to organise with them your deviation and there will be an additional charge.

Please note deviations are only allowed after the Games has finished on the 22<sup>nd</sup> July.

## **ACCOMMODATION**

### **Where are the Juniors & Open Athletes staying?**

Athletes can expect to be housed in rooms of two or more based on the room set-up. The Games Organisers have yet to assign specific hotels.

### **Where are the Masters athletes staying?**

Masters Athletes have a few options for their accommodation. The basic accommodations, which are included in the program fee, include a double occupancy hotel room with another team member. Alternative packages are available through the Games Organisers and the Maccabi GB. In some cases, you may be able to create your own arrangements. Maccabi GB will provide more information on package options when available.

### **What does the cost cover?**

For all participants, the program fee includes your hotel accommodations for 14 nights, ground transportation, Games registration, team GB uniform, meals, supplemental medical insurance, flights and more.

### **Do I need travel insurance?**

Yes, We advise all participants to purchase trip insurance. Please take into account that you will be participating in a sports competition, which may require additional coverage. Check with your provider for more details and coverage options.

### **What happens if I get injured or have to withdraw for the Games?**

Please refer to our cancellation policy.