**2024 Samsung Fire & Marine Insurance World Masters Baduk**

**World Division Outline**

2024 Samsung Fire & Insurance World Masters Baduk World Division preliminary will proceed as follows

1. World Division participants : 12 players invited through regional seeds, foreign players wishing to participate at their own expense, and foreign players residing in Korea (excluding nationals from Korea, China, Japan, Chinese Taipei)

**\*one player will advance to main round(finals) through the World Division preliminary**

2. Regional seed invitations(12 players) : Europe 4, America 4 (South America 1, North America 3), and Asia 4(Thailand 1, Singapore 1, Malaysia 1, Vietnam 1)

3. Selection method for regional seeds :

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| Region | Selection method | Notes |
| Europe | - 1st and 2nd place winners of the European Congress- 1st and 2nd place winners of Prague International Go Tournament Korean Ambassador Cup | - previous year’s winners can be nominated if selection is late- If a winner is not a European national, the next place player may be chosen- if a winner declines or does not meet conditions, the next place player may be chosen**\* European Go Congress: 7/26~8/10** |
| America | - recommended by South American Go Association- recommended by North American Go Association | - If no South American player is available, a North American player may replace them**\* US Go Congress : 7/13~7/21** |
| Asia | - recommended by each Thailand, Singapore, Malaysia, Vietnam Go Association | - it excludes nationals from Korea, China, Japan, Chinese Taipei |

4. Qualification criteria for World Division :

 ① Regional Seed Invitations: local nationals / others: nationals excluding from Korea, China, Japan, Chinese Taipei

 ② Professional go players from the European and American Go Associations may choose to participate

 in either the general Division or the world Division.

 ③ professional or ex-professional go players from Korea, China, Japan, Chinese Taipei are not eligible

5. Support for World Division

- regional seed players: $ 1,000 for accommodation (tax of 22% already deducted). Other expenses are self-funded

- no support for other foreign players

6. Participation registration

 - deadline: submit profile(entry form) by 7. 21(Sun)

 - draw date: Combined preliminary match draw on 7. 23(Tue)

7. Main round participants(round of 32) : previous year’s top 4 + national seeds 9(Korea 4, China 2, Japan 2, Chinese Taipei 1) + wild card 1 + combined preliminary 18(General Division 13, Senior Division 2, Woman Division 2, World Division 1)

8. Preliminary schedule

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| Amateurpreliminary | AmateurDivision |  7. 24(Wed) | Korea Baduk Association’s building |
| **Event** | **General Division** | **Senior, Woman****Division** | **World** **Division** | **Date** | **Location** |
| Combinedpreliminary | round 1 | round 1 |  | 8. 26(Mon) | Korea Baduk Association’s building |
| round 2-1 | round 2 | round 1 | 8. 27(Tue) |
| round 2-2 |  | round 2 | 8. 28(Wed) |
| round 3 | round 3 | round 3 | 8. 29(Thu) |
| round 4 | round 4 | round 4 | 8. 30(Fri) |
| preliminary final round | 8. 31(Sat) |
| Main round(finals) | opening ceremony | 11. 11(Mon) | Samsung Fire & Marine Insurance Global Campus |
| round of 32 | 11. 12(Tue), 11. 13(Wed) |
| round of 16 | 11. 14(Thu), 11. 15(Fri) |
| quarter-final | 11. 16(Sat), 11. 17(Sun) |
| semi-final | 11. 18(Mon), 11. 19(Tue) |
| final | 11. 20(Wed), 11. 21(Thu), 11. 22(Fri) |

9. Prize money

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| Stage | Prize money | Notes |
| Round of 32 | \5,000,000 | single-elimination tournament |
| Round of 16 | \12,500,000 |
| Quarter-final | \25,000,000 |
| Semi-final | \50,000,000 |
| Runner-up | \100,000,000 |
| Winner | \300,000,000 | best-of-three |

10. application acceptance and inquires

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