



International Military Sports Council  
(Kenya Delegation)



## **INVITATION FILE**

*16<sup>th</sup> CISM World Military Golf Championship*



*Diamonds Leisure Beach & Golf Resort, Diani, Kwale*

**“Friendship through Sport”**



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To: See Distribution List.  
Subject: 16<sup>TH</sup> CISM MILITARY WORLD GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP 2025  
Date: 22 – 29 June 2025

Dear CISM Friends

On behalf of the Kenyan CISM Delegation and the Chief of the Kenyan Defence Forces, I have the honour to cordially invite you to the 16<sup>th</sup> CISM World Military Championship 2025 that will be held at Diamond Leisure Beach & Golf Resort, Kwale, Kenya from 22 – 29 June 2025. The facility is located at the Kenyan South Coast in the County of Kwale.

Looking forward to another opportunity to foster 'Friendship Through Sport' among member States.

Karibu Kenya! (Welcome to Kenya!)

Yours Sincerely

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**David Kipkemboi Ketter**  
**Major General**  
**Chief of the Kenyan Delegation to CISM**



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**Distribution List**

**All CISM member nations are warmly invited and strongly encouraged to participate in this World Championship.**

1. ***President of CISM.***
2. ***Official CISM Representative.***
3. ***All Continental Vice-Presidents.***
4. ***CISM Secretary General.***
5. ***All Chief(s) of Liaison Office(s).***
6. ***President and Members of CISM Sport Committee.***
7. ***Representatives of the CISM Partners and Sponsors.***
8. ***Chiefs of Delegation of the CISM Member Countries.***



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## 1. Right to Participate

- a. Only active CISM member Nations have the right to participate in the 16<sup>th</sup> CISM World Military Golf Championship 2025.
- b. In the event an inactive Nation wishes to participate in the Championship, the nation must pay the arrears before the deadline established by the Organizing Committee of the Championship.
- c. If the payment is not made on time, the respective delegation will be denied participation in the event.

## 2. General Program of the Championship

<b>DATE</b>	<b>ACTIVITY</b>
<b>June 22</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Arrival and Registration at Diamond Leisure Beach &amp; Golf</li></ul>
<b>June 23</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Preliminary Meeting</li><li>• Practice Round</li><li>• Opening Ceremony</li></ul>
<b>June 24</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Start of the Competitions</li></ul>
<b>June 27</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Last day of Competitions</li><li>• Closing Ceremony and Banquet</li></ul>
<b>June 28</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cultural Day</li></ul>
<b>June 29</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Departures of Missions.</li></ul>



### 3. Composition of the Mission

a. Each nation may enter one team into the competition. The maximum size of the mission is:

#### Representative/Participants

Chief of Mission	1
Team Manager/Captain	1
Women Golfers	3
<u>Men Golfers</u>	<u>6</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>11</b>

b. All missions may compete in the individual Men and Women’s competitions. Missions may include two (2) male professional players and one (1) female professional player within the composition. No additional member may be included in the mission without special authorization from the organizing Nation. Further details are found in the CISM Regulations articles 7.22.

c. CISM Golf Sports Committee members will not count against their nation’s composition of the mission.

d. Only active-duty military personnel are authorized to compete in the competitions (CISM Regulations, Art. 7.23, item A).

### 4. Format of the Competition

a. The competition format (CISM Golf Regulation Nov 2024) will be used based upon the number of participating teams. Regulations can be found at <http://www.milsport.one/sports/golf>.

b. The championship will consist of individual and team competition over seventy-two (72) holes of medal (stroke) play.

c. Men and Women will compete in separate categories and each may include an amateur and professional competition. Medals will be awarded in the professional events on condition that there are a minimum of eight (8) male professional players and four (4) female professional players respectively.



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d. Within the Men's and Women's Individual competition, differentiation will be made for the awarding of additional medals to players over 40 (Seniors) on condition that a minimum of eight (8) seniors are participating within each category. To compete in the senior category, men or women must be forty (40) years old on the day that the first round of the competition (not practice round) takes place. The overall champion may come either from the Open or Senior category. If seniors declared the overall champion, the next best senior score will win the senior competition.

e. A minimum of two rounds completed would be required to constitute an official championship.

## **5. Access to the Location of the Competition.**

a. The Championship will be held at the Diamond Leisure Beach and Golf Resort in Kwale, Kenya.

b. Participating Nations will cater for the cost of travel from their country to the point of arrival in the host Nation and vice versa.

c. The host Nation will cater for local transport for all participants.

d. Teams have the following options for arrival at Diamonds Leisure Beach and Resort:

(1) Arrive at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport and connect to Ukunda/Diani Airport, Kwale or Moi International Airport, Mombasa. The host will then provide road transportation to designated accommodation.

(2) Arrive direct at Moi International Airport, Mombasa. The host will then provide road transportation to designated accommodation.

## **6. Conditions of Stay**

a. The host Nation will provide boarding and lodging for all the participants.

b. The individual participants requesting any extra service e.g. telephone calls, drinks, laundry services, travel to non-event locations other than the ones arranged by the host will settle for the extra services.



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- c. Participants arriving before and departing after the official Championship dates (22 & 29 June 2025) shall cover any costs before and/or after the dates.
- d. Teams are not permitted to play the Championship course prior to the official practice round (23 June).
- e. Caddies, provided by the host nation, will be utilized during this championship. Teams will be required to pay cash to the caddy directly, an amount not less than \$15 USD/per round/per player. Individual caddies will be assigned during the practice round.
- f. Additional personnel will not be hosted by the organizers unless with written permission from the hosts.
- g. The organizers will provide basic first aid and emergency treatment only. Any referrals, hospitalization and routine medical attention thereof will be the responsibility of the participating Nation.
- h. In accordance with the Statues and traditions of CISM, any political or and religious action during the competition, in particular the dissemination of propaganda documents, pictures, clothing, brochures, reviews etc., is strictly forbidden. Any contravention will result in immediate exclusion and deportation of such nation.

## 7. Regulations of the Championship.

- a. Rules. The CISM Golf Regulations (Edition 2024) and under the auspices of USGA rules: the CISM Regulations-June 2024: CISM Anti-Doping Regulations, Edition 2017, as well as local rules as discussed in the Preliminary Meeting will apply throughout.
- b. Eligibility. All athletes must be military personnel on full active duty in the Armed Forces of their respective nations (art. 7.23 of the CISM regulations). Participation of inactive member nations is not authorised (art. 7.26 of the CISM Regulations). All of the participants are asked to present the following documents during the registration and Preliminary Inquiry:
  - (1) A valid military identity card for those who are authorized to present their military identity cards abroad;
  - (2) A form of verification (in English and or/ French) of military status;
  - (3) Passport; and
  - (4) COVID vaccine verification card may be requested in advance of travel.



## 8. Anti-doping

Anti-Doping tests will be conducted in accordance with the CISM Regulations – Chapter IX, CISM Anti-Doping Rules, the concerned CISM Sports Regulations, the concerned International Federation Rules, and all WADA rules, mainly the World Anti-Doping Code, and the International Standard for Testing. The number and type of tests, as well the athletes to be tested shall be determined by the CISM Anti-Doping Commission. These procedures will follow the concerned CISM Test Distribution Plan (TDP).

- In case an athlete has a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE), the Chief of Delegation should send this TUE to the CISM GS, 30 days before the Opening Ceremony. This TUE will be submitted to the TUE Commission for analysis and further approval.

- Below are the Organizations Accredited by WADA to carry out the tests during the Championship:

- Sample Collection Authority (SCA): Anti-Doping Agency of Kenya:  
(<https://www.wada-ama.org/en/code-signatories>)
- Accredited Laboratory: Qatar Anti-doping lab:

(<https://www.wada-ama.org/en/what-we-do/science-medical/laboratories/accredited-laboratories>)

## 9. Uniforms.

a. Participating Nations are to wear respective service uniforms. This is mandatory especially during the opening and closing ceremonies (Formal dress Uniform / Ceremonial dress for COMs).

b. Participants' must carry respective National flags and a soft copy of their National anthem. Respective Chiefs of Delegations are to confirm availability of an up to date National anthem on the CISM Extranet (<http://members.milsport.one/official-documents/protocol-events-guidelines>).

## 10. Customs and Visa Procedures.

a. To avoid the last minutes bottlenecks on visa acquisition, it is recommended that:

- (1) Participants contact the Kenyan Embassies/Consulates in their own country or region for guidance.
- (2) Schedule an appointment soon after sending the preliminary agreement.





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## 11. Weather Conditions.

The month of June 2025 is expected to be a typical summer month with temperatures oscillating between 27 degrees and 28 degrees with the latter dominating the period. No heavy precipitation is expected with an average daylight of eleven hours.

## 12. Registration Forms Deadlines

- a. Participants are advised to ensure strict compliance to set timelines and entry forms to be received by host nation as follows:
  - (1) Annex 1 – Preliminary Agreement (before 31 January 2025).
  - (2) Annex 2 – Final Agreement (before 31 March 2025).
  - (3) Annex 3 – Final Entry/Travel Data (before 16 May 2025).
- b. Please note that the host Nation will only accept the first 120 players submitted and will adhere to the order the Final Entry is received if there are too many teams requesting to participate.
- c. Participating mission should share both valid phone and fax numbers in the final agreement form, as well as their email address in case the organizing committee is required to get in contact.

## 13. Correspondence

Any correspondence can be forwarded to the following address:

- a. CISM Kenya Delegation  
Defence Headquarters CISM Office  
Lenana Road,  
P.O. Box 40668 – 00100,  
Nairobi,  
KENYA.

Tel: +254 020 72 11 00 Ext

Mobile +254 721 336 116

E-mail: [cismkenya@mod.go.ke](mailto:cismkenya@mod.go.ke) or/and [cismkenya@gmail.com](mailto:cismkenya@gmail.com)



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## **ANNEXES**

**Annex 1** – Preliminary Agreement (to be sent back before 31 January 2025).

**Annex 2a, 2b** – Final Agreement (to be sent back before 31 March 2025).

**Annex 3** – Final Entry/Travel Data (to be sent back before 16 May 2025).



**PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT**

**To be returned before 31 January 2025:**

<p><b>Delegation to CISM:</b>          CISM Kenya Delegation          Defence Headquarters CISM Office          Lenana Road,          P.O. Box 40668 – 00100,          Nairobi,          KENYA.          Tel: +254 020 72 11 00 Ext          Mobile +254 721 336 116          E-mail: cismkenya@mod.go.ke /          cismkenya@gmail.com</p>	<p><b>CISM Headquarters:</b>          CISM HQ          Lt Col Jan Van den Dool          CISM Sports Director          Mobile: +31 630861878          E-mail:          cismsportsdepartment@milsport.one</p>
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**NATION:**

**TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS:**

	Officials	Athletes	CSC members	Referees	Total
Men					
Women					
<b>Total</b>					

• Does your delegation need a visa to travel? YES  NO.   
 If the answer is **YES**, start the process immediately.

• Do your athletes need TUE? YES  NO.   
 If the answer is **YES**, you can already start the process.

MEANS OF TRANSPORT: \_\_\_\_\_



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DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF CHIEF OF DELEGATION

RANK/NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Your Contact</b>	<b>Rank/Name</b>	
	<b>Phone</b>	
	<b>E-Mail</b>	



**ANNEX 2a**

**FINAL ENTRY - COMPOSITION OF THE MISSION**

To be returned before 31 March 2025

<p><b>Delegation to CISM:</b>          CISM Kenya Delegation          Defence Headquarters CISM Office          Lenana Road,          P.O. Box 40668 – 00100,          Nairobi,          KENYA.          Tel: +254 020 72 11 00 Ext          Mobile +254 721 336 116          E-mail: cismkenya@mod.go.ke /          cismkenya@gmail.com</p>	<p><b>CISM Headquarters:</b>          CISM HQ          LtCol Jan Van den Dool          CISM Sports Director          Mobile: +31 630861878          E-mail:          cismsportsdepartment@milsport.one</p>
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**NATION:**

#	Function	Rank	Name and Surname
1.	Chief of Mission		
2.	Team Captain		
3.	Male athlete		
4.			
5.			
6.			
7.			
8.			
9.	Female athlete		
10.			
11.			
12.	CSC Member		
13.	Ad Libitum		



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In strict compliance with applicable **CISM Regulations – Chapter VII, Art. 7.23, I**, the undersigned Chief of Delegation, hereby officially confirm that all athletes representing my nation in the CISM event are on active duty in my nation's Armed Forces. I understand that sanctions may be imposed against my nation, my mission, my team, individual athletes, or myself for violation of this provision (**CISM Regulations Chapter I, Art. 1.12**).

- Does your delegation need a visa to travel? YES  NO   
If the answer is **YES**, continue the process you already started when sending the Preliminary Agreement.
- Do your athletes need TUE? YES  NO.   
If the answer is **YES**, start the process immediately.

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE OF CHIEF OF DELEGATION

RANK/NAME: \_\_\_\_\_



## ***FINAL ENTRY - COMMITMENT BY THE CHIEF OF MISSION***

NATION:

The undersigned, Chief of Mission declares that he has read the **CISM Regulations** and moreover understood the following prescriptions:

### **Article 1.10. RIGHTS OF MEMBER NATIONS**

- a. Active member nations have the right to:  
Be invited to all CISM Championships.
- b. Inactive member nations have the same rights as active member nations except that:  
They do not participate in any CISM event until they have met their financial obligations.
- c. An inactive nation intending to take part in the event must pay its annual fee before the deadline established by the Organizing Committee of the world military championship for sending the final entry. If it is not done, the delegation will not be able to take part in the event.

### **Article 7.23. PARTICIPATION - MILITARY STATUS**

- a. Only military personnel on active duty in Armed Forces may take part the competitions organized by CISM except for Para sport (See below Art. 7.23.C.).
- b. No one may be recalled to active duty in the Armed Forces for the purpose of participating in a CISM competition. In the case of an intermittent military service, the athletes regularly recalled may not take part in CISM competitions, under any circumstances, if more than 18 months have elapsed between this recall and the end of their last call to arms except for Para sport ((See below Art. 7.23.C.).
- c. Veteran soldiers wounded or injured while on active duty may be included as part of a nation's mission and participate in CISM Para sport competition/event.
- d. Exceptions to the above may be authorised by the General Assembly, upon recommendation of the Board of Directors.
- e. All military participants in a CISM event shall be in possession of proper documentation, which signifies active military service of the member nation he represents. The documentation can be:



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- (1) A valid military identity card for those athletes who are authorized to present their military identity cards abroad,
  - (2) A form of verification (in English and/or French) of military status accompanied by a passport.
  - (3) For the veteran para-athletes, the Chief of Delegation concerned must certify in writing that the veteran soldier was wounded or injured on active duty.
- f. By signing the final entry, the Chief of Delegation confirms the military status of the participating athletes. If there are last-minute changes in the participation of the athletes, the verification file may be signed by the Chief of Mission, but shall be confirmed by the Chief of Delegation by official letter.
- g. If one of these documents is not available, participation is refused.
- h. An athlete who has represented one country in CISM competitions (World Military Championship, World Games, World Winter Games, Continental and regional Championship), in the Olympics Games, or in any competition at world, continental or regional level recognized by the relevant IF, and who has changed his/her nationality or acquired a new nationality, may participate in CISM competitions representing his/her new country provided that at least two years have passed since the competitor last represented his/her former country.

### **Article 7.32. CHIEF OF MISSION**

- a. Chief of Mission
  - (1) Chiefs of Mission shall be familiar with CISM regulations.
  - (2) Missions must not only participate or be present at sports events, they are also required to participate in information conferences on CISM, study days, commemorative and cultural events and ceremonies organized by the host nation.
- b. Conduct of a mission
  - (1) The Chief of Mission is responsible for the behavior of his team in sports and general discipline. He shall ensure that members of his mission respect the rules and directives prescribed by CISM and organizers of the championship. The respect of schedules is particularly important as they form the basis for the effective conduct of competitions and ceremonies.
  - (2) The Chief of Mission shall also enforce the rules concerning behavior and dress during the ceremonies. He plays an important role in promoting the CISM spirit among his mission, a spirit represented by friendly attitude towards other missions, courtesy towards organizers and fair-play in competition.





## **Article 8.6. ABSENCE OF A MISSION WITHOUT NOTIFICATION**

If a mission which submits a preliminary agreement and/or final entry is absent without notifying the host nation in time, a sanction will be imposed (CISM Regulations, Art. 1.12).

## **Article 8.17. RULES OF STAY**

### **a. General**

(1) The Chiefs of Mission are responsible for the discipline of their mission. The missions fall under the jurisdiction of the organizing nation. During events, all athletes present on the playing fields are equal before the jury, the referees and to themselves. No one may use his rank to impose his views on sports matters.

(2) Civilian members of the missions shall conform to the discipline accepted by all other participants.

### **b. Military uniforms**

(1) Unless otherwise approved by the Official CISM Representative, all participants shall wear military uniform during official ceremonies such as the opening and closing ceremonies and medal-awarding ceremonies. Individuals without proper uniform will not be allowed to participate in the championship.

(2) The presentation of medals takes place, in principle, during the closing ceremony. The presentation of medals may be done in sports uniform, if for organizational reasons it is not possible to wear military uniforms. This is the case e.g. when the presentation immediately follows a championship sports event. Sports uniforms shall respect the corresponding national criteria (training suit, sports shoes, etc.) Displaying the national flag on the podium by the recipient (athlete or team) at a medal awarding ceremony is forbidden. Individuals failing to respect these prescriptions shall not receive their medal(s) during the official ceremonies.

### **c. Forbidden actions**

(1) In conformity with the statutes and traditions of CISM, any political or religious propaganda during a CISM event, in particular the dissemination of documents, pictures, brochures, reviews, etc. is strictly forbidden.

(2) Any contravention shall result in the exclusion of the mission from further competition and may result in additional sanctions (Regulations Art. 1.12).

## **Article 8.19. ACCOMMODATION**

a. All missions, including those of the host nation, shall be accommodated under the same conditions. If the conditions are in accordance with the CISM norms and standards, the missions are expected to accept the accommodation provided by the organizing nation.

b. Any mission that does not accept the accommodations provided by the organizing nation and judged as adequate by the Official CISM Representative will not be allowed to participate in the championship.



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SIGNATURE OF CHIEF OF MISSION

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**ANNEX 3**

**FINAL ENTRY – TRAVEL DATA**

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**NATION :**

	PLACE	DATE	FLIGHT Number TRAIN Number BUS Number	TIME
ARRIVAL				
DEPARTURE				

**MEANS OF TRANSPORT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **SIGNATURE OF CHIEF OF DELEGATION**

**RANK/NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_



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<b>Your Contact</b>	<b>Rank/Name</b>	
	<b>Phone</b>	
	<b>Fax</b>	
	<b>E-Mail</b>	