



**Public Officers' Welfare Council**  
*Promoting the welfare of Public Officers and their families*

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From: **Organising Secretary, Public Officers' Welfare Council**

To: **Supervising Officers i/c Ministries/Departments**

**SCRABBLE COMPETITION 2018**

The Public Officers' Welfare Council (POWC) is organising its Scrabble Competition for public officers during the month of July/ August 2018.

2. The Competition will be organised in two different categories as follows:

i. **Category A** will be played on a league *cum* knock-out system and will comprise 16 best players of the Silver Jubilee Scrabble Competition 2017. The participants will be classified in four different pools for the preliminaries through a drawing of lots. The preliminary stage would be played in a league system. Winners of each pool will compete for the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> place on a knock-out system. The two participants with the lowest score of Category A will be relegated to Category B for the competition next year.

ii. **Category B** will consist of all the remaining players. The Competition will be played on a knock-out system. The two best players of Category B will be promoted to Category A for next year's competition.

3. Please note that:

- a) all participants are expected to bring their own Scrabble game; and
- b) only one match will be played to determine the winner for the preliminaries. However, a "*best of three*" system will be applied for the semifinals and finals for both categories.

4. The Rules and Regulations governing the Competition is at Annex A.

5. The fixtures and venue for the preliminaries will be forwarded to all participants in due course.

6. Cash Prizes and Souvenir Trophies will be awarded as follows:

PRIZES	CATEGORY A	CATEGORY B
1 <sup>st</sup> Prize Winner	Rs 5 000	Rs 3 000
2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize Winner	Rs 3 000	Rs 1 500
3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize Winner	Rs 2 000	Rs 1 000
4 <sup>th</sup> Prize Winner	Rs 1 000	Rs 500

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7. Public Officers willing to participate in the Competition should fill in the enclosed participation form (Annex B) and submit same to the **Organising Secretary, Public Officers' Welfare Council, 6th floor, ATOM House, 16, Royal Street, Port Louis by Friday 22 June 2018 at latest.**
8. A photocopy of a recent payslip or top part of the payslip indicating the name, paysite code and national identity number or any written evidence/document certifying that the participant is a serving public officer will have to be submitted together with the participation form. It is compulsory that the participation form should be endorsed by the Supervising Officer and should bear the seal of the participating Ministry/Department. In case of non compliance, the participation form would not be considered by the Council.
9. Participants will be called upon to attend a meeting and a drawing of lots in the Conference Room of the Public Officers' Welfare Council, 6th floor, ATOM House, 16, Royal Street, Port Louis on **Wednesday 11 July 2018 at 14 00 hrs.**
10. All participants are requested to provide their mobile number and email address so that they may easily be contacted for dissemination of match fixtures and in case of urgency.
11. It would be appreciated if you could kindly arrange for this letter to be circulated among public officers serving in your Ministry/ Department/ Division. This circular letter is also posted on the Council's website: <http://powc.govmu.org>



**S. Bundhoo**  
**Organising Secretary**

**Copy to:** *Presidents of Staff Welfare Associations*  
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**PUBLIC OFFICERS' WELFARE COUNCIL**

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*Rules and Regulations*

1. The Competition will be played on a face to face style.
2. A draw will be carried out among competitors to decide who will start the game.
3. An exchange of 01 to 07 tiles will be permitted only if more than 7 tiles are left in the bag, but the player passes on his turn.
4. A player may challenge a word. If the word is correct, his opponent scores an additional 10 marks, if it is wrong, he scores the 10 marks.
5. A player who places all seven tiles in one turn scores a bonus of 50 marks.
6. Dictionary – Collins Scrabble Dictionary (4<sup>th</sup> edition-year 2015)
7. Time allowed – 1 minute per turn.
8. Challenge Time – 15 seconds
9. The game ends when all the tiles in the bag are used and one player has placed all his tiles.
10. At the end of the game, the remaining tiles value is added and twice the total is added to his opponent.
11. The winner is the one who has scored the highest number of points.
12. In case of deadlock, two rounds will be accepted then the game will end.

**Public Officers' Welfare Council  
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**SCRABBLE COMPETITION 2018**  
**Participation Form**

**Name:(Mr./Mrs./Miss).....**

**Ministry/Department/Division: .....**

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**Designation: .....**

**Office No.: ..... Mobile No.: ..... Fax No: .....**

**Residential Address:.....**

**Email Address:.....**

**Signature:.....**

**To be endorsed and sealed by Supervising Officer of Ministry/Department/Division**

**Name of Supervising Officer : -----**

**Post Held / Designation : -----**

**Office Number: -----**

**Signature: -----**

**Date: -----**