

MATCH REGULATIONS – TABLE TENNIS

Tt.1. The game will be played under the rules of the ITTF unless contra indicated below.

Tt.2. The seeded matches to be played in each grade are:

Six matches of singles.

1 vs 1

2 vs 2

3 vs 3

4 vs 4

5 vs 5

6 vs 6

Three (3) matches of doubles or six (6) matches of doubles (time permitting)

1,2 vs 1,2

1,4 vs 1,4

3,4 vs 3,4

2,5 vs 2,5

5,6 vs 5,6

3,6 vs 3,6

NB: To constitute a match a minimum of 4 singles and two doubles must be completed.

Tt.3. Best of five games played to 11, with an advantage of two, e.g 13 - 11. If a team reaches 3 games to nil, the match is considered complete with the 3-0 score recorded.

Tt.4. After 2 serves, service is rotated.

Tt.5. Results based on matches, games and if necessary points

Tt.6. Visiting team calls toss with winner choosing end or service.

Tt.7. When serving, the ball must be thrown upward from an open palm before making contact with the racquet.

Tt.8. When serving, the ball must be hit at a point behind the table (not over the table).

Tt.9. Change ends with each game and mid-way through final match, i.e. first to 6.

Tt.10. Players should be seeded according to ability with the best players playing as "1".

Tt.11. Players can interchange between singles and doubles. Students playing their second match cannot play at a lower level than what they played in their first match.

Tt.12. There should be minimal movement between grades by the players. If the "A" grade team is short of players, then a "B" competition or 'Recreation Mixed' player can fill in to help out. This does not exclude the "B" grade player or 'Recreation Mixed' from playing finals for the "B" grade team.

Tt.13. Schools should keep their own records in relation to which students play in what team.

Tt.14. At the start of the season, a school will be allocated as supervisor of the venue. They will be in place to ensure the smooth running of the competition.

Tt.15. Table Tennis balls must be either white or orange in colour, preferably of training or competition standard by a reputable brand.

Tt.16. **Recreation Mixed teams** – Teams to consist of at least 2 players of each gender.

The seeded matches to be played in each grade are:

Nine (9) games of Doubles;

Table 1: 1,2 vs 1,2

1,4 vs 1,4

1,5 vs 1,5

Table 2: 3,4 vs 3,4

2,5 vs 2,5

2,3 vs 2,3

Table 3: 5,6 vs 5,6

3,6 vs 3,6

4,6 vs 4,6

Mercy Rule:

There is no specific Mercy Rule in this sport. If you are winning comfortably, encourage students to keep rallies going and not to hit big winners. No maximum winning margin.

Tied Grand Final:

In the event of a tied Grand Final, the school that won the '1,2' vs '1,2' Doubles match will be deemed the premier school.