

Table Tennis Rules

- The rules of the tournament of the International Table Tennis Federation as adopted from time to time by the Table Tennis Federation of India shall apply unless otherwise modified.
- **Men:** Matches will be held on the basis of one doubles and four singles.
- The order of play shall be as follows
 - i) Three players on one side are numbered A, B and C and the three players on the other side are numbered X, Y and Z.

1.	A	X
2.	B	Y
3.	C	Z
 - ii) The new rules are as follows :
 - The Team Tournament of Sangram will be played with the new Olympic test playing system. The playing order will be as following:

BC vs. YZ (Doubles); A vs. X; C vs. Z; A vs. Y; B vs. X
 - There will be no break during the team match because all 5 matches will be fixed after the toss procedure. The team match consists of maximum 1 double and 4 single matches.
- After choosing ABC or XYZ team, the captain shall nominate players in position A, B, C or X, Y, Z.
- The result of the tie shall be declared when either of the team wins three matches. The number of players representing any college shall not be less than 3 or more than four. Only four certificates shall be awarded to a winning team.
- Each single shall be played on best of five games basis with each game of 11 points.
- **Women:** Matches will be held on the basis of two singles and one doubles.
 - i) The order of play shall be as follows:

First Match	:	A vs. X
Second Match	:	Doubles match
Third Match	:	B vs. Y
 - ii) A, B and X, Y shall be determined by the captain. The result of the match shall be declared when either of the team wins 2 matches.
- Each match will be played following a best of five games format, based with each game of 11 points.
- The number of players (in case of women) representing any college shall not be less than 2 or more than 3. Not more than 4 certificates will be awarded to a team.

- The score standings, when the match is decided, shall be considered for the calculations indicated above. The tally for all matches played among the tied teams in the league fixture will be considered.
- In case of tie during league stage:-
 - In case of tie (in number of matches won) between two teams, the winner of their match will proceed to the next round.
 - In case of tie between more than two teams, the difference of team score between each team will be considered (team with bigger margin would proceed to the next round).If tie still continues the difference in score line of each match would be considered for the decision.
- The team competition will follow a Group and Knockout (single elimination) format. The teams will be divided into four groups. In each group, every team will play against each of their opponents (in the same group) once. The top two teams will qualify for the knockout phase. In the knockout phase, the winners of the group will play with one of the runners-up from other groups.
- WE WOULD ALSO HAVE A MEN'S SINGLES AND WOMEN'S SINGLES KNOCKOUT EVENT IN WHICH 2 BOYS AND 2 GIRLS FROM EACH TEAM ARE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE FROM EACH TEAM (*THIS EVENT COULD BE CANCELLED DUE TO SHORTAGE OF TIME).

General Regulations-

- All participants need to come in proper kit -shorts (no three-fourths, denim short, tracks etc. are allowed) and non-marking shoes. If any player does not come in proper kit or shoes, the player won't be allowed to play the match.
- Teams are allowed to cheer their player but there should not be any hooting or jeering against other teams' players. Shouting in between the rallies is strictly not allowed.
- The decision of the referees and the umpires will be final and binding. No protests would be entertained. Therefore, any team leaving the field of play as a mark of protest and conceding a walk-over shall be deemed to have lost the fixture and will be eliminated from rest of the event.
- The match will be played with the new STAG 3-star PLASTIC BALLS as recommended under ITTF rules and regulations.
- It is the responsibility of each player to ensure that racket coverings are attached to their racket blade with adhesives that do not contain harmful volatile solvents.
- The main colour of a shirt, skirt or shorts, other than sleeves and collar of a shirt shall be clearly different from that of the ball in use(i.e. white)

****RULES & SCHEDULE ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE IN THE SPIRIT OF THE GAME & FESTIVAL AND THE FINAL DECISION RESTS WITH THE *SANGRAM* ORGANIZING TEAM**