



TABLE TENNIS

VENUE: The Lights Sports and Community Centre, 244 - 270 East Parkway, Lightsview

RULES & REGULATIONS:

2025 ITTF rules apply with some modifications; please see below.

1. SCORERS & GAME TIMES

- 1.1. Each team will need to supply a scorer that is either a teacher, team manager or team scorer.
No students please.
- 1.2. Both scorers will need to:
 - 1.2.1. Sit at the scorer's desk, fill out **ONE** score sheet and operate a scoreboard.
 - 1.2.2. Fill out all areas on the score sheet and confirm the scores with each other.
 - 1.2.3. Score sheets will need to be signed by each coach and brought to the SACSA desk promptly.
 - 1.2.4. **PRE-FILLED score sheets** will be available on court benches.
 - 1.2.5. Please **fill in the information needed for each game** e.g., player's names and numbers prior to the start.
- 1.3. Total allocated match time 40 mins. (This should allow warm-up time for each match)

2. THE TEAM

- 2.1. Teams consist of 4 players with 1 player substitute (5 players Max.)
- 2.2. Please give each student on each team a **ranking 1, 2, 3 and 4 in order of ability** as they will be playing the same numbered student on opposition teams.
- 2.3. This assigned number is for the **whole day and cannot be changed.**
- 2.4. This will be checked off from the first-round score card as well as during the day.
- 2.5. All players need a playing numbered shirt for identification.
- 2.6. **At the start of the day a team list of your ranking order must be handed in to the SACSA desk. Sheets available at the start of day.**
- 2.7. Substitute Player (5th Player)
 - 2.7.1. The only time a 5th player can be subbed is for:
 - 2.7.1.1. any injured player in which that player can't return later in the day.
 - 2.7.1.2. For a ranked 3rd or 4th player
 - 2.7.1.3. Where the 5th player is used the players must move up a position.
 - 2.7.1.4. For example, player #3 is out then player #4 goes up to position #3 and player #5 goes to position #4.
 - 2.7.1.5. To play as a doubles partner with your number 1 ranked player only.



3. PRE-GAME

- 3.1. The **Home** team on the score sheet shall: **Serve first**
- 3.2. The **Away** team shall choose which end of the table to play on.

4. MATCHES

- 4.1. Teams will play five (5) matches overall.
- 4.2. Each singles match will play best of 3 sets each (4 matches in total).
- 4.3. Doubles match will play best of 3 sets (1 match).
- 4.4. The doubles combination will be the 1st ranked player & any other player on the team.
- 4.5. A game shall be won by a player or pair first scoring 11 points unless both players or pairs score 10 points, when the game shall be won by the first player or pair subsequently gaining a lead of 2 points.
- 4.6. **Order in which matches will be played:**
 - 4.6.4. 1st match – 1st ranked players.
 - 4.6.5. 2nd match – 2nd ranked players.
 - 4.6.6. 3rd match – 3rd ranked players.
 - 4.6.7. 4th match – 4th ranked players.
 - 4.6.8. 5th match – Doubles match (1st ranked player & any other player on the team)

5. SACSA HIGHLIGHTED AND OR MODIFIED RULES

5.1. SERVICE

- 5.1.1. The server shall project the ball near vertically upwards, without imparting spin, so that it rises approx. 16cm (the size of your bat head) after leaving the palm of the free open hand and then falls without touching anything before being struck.
- 5.1.2. There will be 2 serves for each player until the score reaches 10 all then it will be 1 serve each.

5.2. DOUBLES SERVICE

- 5.2.1. In each game of a doubles match, the pair having the right to serve first shall choose which of them will do so and in the first game of a match the receiving pair shall decide which of them will receive first; in subsequent games of the match, the first server having been chosen, the first receiver shall be the player who served to him in the preceding game.
- 5.2.2. In doubles, at each change of service the previous receiver shall become the server, and the partner of the previous server shall become the receiver.
- 5.2.3. The pair serving first in a game shall receive first in the next game of the match and in the last possible game of a doubles match the pair due to receive next shall change their order of receiving when first one pair scores 5 points.
- 5.2.4. The pair starting at one end in a game shall start at the other end in the next game of the match and in the last possible game of a match the players or pairs shall change ends when first one player or pair scores 5 points.
- 5.2.5. No hands on the table at all times during game play and a point will be lost.



6. EQUIPMENT

- 6.1. Players are required to bring their own bats.
- 6.2. All balls will be provided by SACSA Sports.

7. TABLE POINTS

- 7.1. 3 points for a win, 2 points for a draw, 1 point for a loss.

8. DRAWN MATCHES

- 8.1. If the allocated time runs out, both teams will finish up the point they are on and then stop, if there is no clear winner at that point then the set will be a draw.
- 8.2. If the allocated time has expired play will continue during finals to have a winning team.

9. FINALS PLACINGS

- 9.1. The top 6 teams will play off for a spot in the Grand Final.
 - 9.1.4. Top 2 teams from each pool progress to the CHAMPIONSHIP POOLS (3 teams in each one).
 - 9.1.5. Championship Pool 1 and Championship Pool 2.
 - 9.1.6. The best 1st-place team by percentage has an advantage to go into championship pool 1 with two 2nd-place teams from other pools.
 - 9.1.7. Remaining 1st-place teams plus the remaining 2nd-place team form Championship pool 2.
 - 9.1.8. Example: Championship Pool 1 = A1(highest percentage) B2, C2 & Championship Pool 2 = B1, C1 & A2.
- 9.2. Those that are placed 7th to 9th overall will have their own play-off series for the minor placings. (3rd ranked teams in each pool.)
- 9.3. Please check the Sportfix app for all updates. **Finals tab**
- 9.4. CHAMPIONSHIP Pool games progressing to FINALS matches:
 - 9.4.4. #1 ranked of Championship 1 vs #1 ranked of Championship 2 go into the Grand-final.
 - 9.4.5. #2 ranked of Championship 1 vs #2 ranked of Championship 2 go into the Bronze Medal Match (3rd & 4th place overall)
 - 9.4.6. #3 ranked of Championship 1 vs #3 ranked of Championship 2 go into a playoff for 5th place overall.

10. If Teams Are Tied on Points - Positions will be decided in this order to create the Championship rounds and for the Finals.

- 10.1. **Head-to-head result** (result of the match between the tied teams)
- 10.2. **Greatest number of sets won**
- 10.3. **Least number of sets lost**
- 10.4. **Highest percentage** (Total Team Scores For ÷ Total Team Scores Against) × 100
- 10.5. **Least total points conceded** (fewest points scored against the team)
- 10.6. **Most total points scored**