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# TABLE TENNIS - RULES

In the 2025 FISEC-FICEP Games, the competitors of the table tennis events should be born in 2008, 2009 or 2010.

### Article 1.

The following competitions are organised for both boys and girls :

- teams competition
- singles
- doubles
- mixed double

### Article 2.

Each player can take part in 4 events.

### Article 3.

Each country may register:

- 6 girls in single
- 6 boys in single
- 3 girls teams
- 3 boys teams
- 3 x girls doubles
- 3 x boys doubles
- 3 mixed doubles

### Article 4.

For all the competitions (girls and boys) each delegation should prepare the list of players taking part in descending ranking order on the nominative inscription form.

### Article 5.

**5.1** Depending on the number of entries, the following formulas apply :

2 – 5 players or doubles	one group
6 – 8 players or doubles	2 groups, then semi-finals, final and matches to determine 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup>

9 – 11 players or doubles	3 groups, then semi-finals for the 1 <sup>st</sup> . in each group and the two best 2 <sup>nd</sup> , final and matches to determine 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup>
12- 16 players or doubles	4 groups, then quarter finals for the 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> in each group, semi-finals, final and matches to determine 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup>
17 – 19 players or doubles	5 groups, then quarter finals for the 1 <sup>st</sup> in each group and the three best 2 <sup>nd</sup> , semi-finals, final and matches to determine 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup>
20 - 21 players or doubles	6 groups, then quarter finals for the 1 <sup>st</sup> in each group and the two best 2 <sup>nd</sup> , semi-finals, final and matches to determine 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup>

## 5.2 Matches order in a group

To make a group, number 1 is given to the best player then the others will be ranked in descending order (1 to 4 or 1 to 5 or 1 to 6).

- in groups of 3 players:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> round : 1-3
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> round : 2 vs. 1st round loser
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> round : 2 vs. 1<sup>st</sup> round winner
- in groups of 4 players:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> round : 1-4 / 2-3
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> round : 1-3 / 4-2
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> round : 1-2 / 3-4
- in groups of 5 or 6 players:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> round : 1-6 / 2-5 / 3-4
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> round : 1-5 / 6-4 / 2-3
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> round : 1-4 / 5-3 / 6-2
  - 4<sup>th</sup> round : 1-3 / 4-2 / 5-6
  - 5<sup>th</sup> round : 1-2 / 3-6 / 4-5

**5.3** For the composition of groups in the team championship, in each category, lots will be drawn.

**5.4** Singles Championship will be organised as follows:

Quotient of each match won/ lost for each player during the team championship in order to get the “seeded player” for the composition of each group and final list. In case of equal points, set-average or point-average will intervene.

**5.5** Two players or teams of the same country can’t be put in the same group of threes during the drawing lots.

## Article 6. game - set - interruption of play

**6.1** A game will be played between 2 players or 2 pairs . Each game is played on the best of 5 sets basis.

**6.2** A set is won by the player or doubles players reaching 11 points first (change of service every two points) unless the players or doubles players are equal at ten points. In this case, the winner of the set will be the player or doubles players taking a two points advantage over the opponents.

### 6.3 Interruption of play

- stoppage regulation : each player has at his disposal a resting period of not more than 1 minute between each set.
- game stoppage : besides the resting period between sets, the players are permitted to leave the court in order to dry up, after each series of 6 points starting from the start of each set, at the time of changing sides in the last possible set in a game.
- slack period : during each game, each player or doubles players may benefit from a slack period not exceeding one minute.

## TEAMS COMPETITION

### Article 7.

Each country may register several teams (see article 3) of two or three players.

### Article 8.

The competition will take place as follows :

- A (N°1) / X (N°1)
- B (N°2) / Y (N°2)
- Double
- A (N°1) / Y (N°2)
- B (N°2) / X (N°1)

The order of players has to remain the same throughout the team competition and is to be submitted to the chief-judge during the coaches meeting.

## GENERAL REGULATIONS

### Article 9.

All matches are played on a best of five.

### Article 10.

For the classification, points will be awarded as follows:

- match won : 2 points
- match lost : 1 point
- disqualified : 0 point

### Article 11A.

The classification in all pools is based on the number of victories.

In case two players or doubles or teams end on equal points the result between these two will be conclusive.

In case more than two players or doubles or teams end on equal points, only the matches in which they have played against each other will be taken into account in accordance with the procedure described below :

- the general difference in sets average (quotient)
- the general difference of points average (quotient)

#### **Article 11B.**

The best second or best seconds from different groups qualify in accordance with articles 10 and 11A.

#### **Article 12.**

All inscription will depend on the facilities offered by the organising country.

#### **Article 13.**

The order of competition is as follows :

- Day 1: team competition for boys and girls
- Day 2: doubles for boys and girls
- **Day 3: Break**
- Day 4: mixed doubles
- Day 5: singles for boys and girls (eliminating heats in the morning; semi-finals and final in the afternoon).

#### **Article 14.**

The draw takes place before the competition starts.

#### **Article 15.**

All matches must follow the correct order even if the result is known.

#### **Article 16.**

The balls 40mm in diameter must conform with the ITTF REGULATIONS and supplied by the organising committee. The colour of the ball may be white, yellow or orange.

#### **Article 17.**

Players have to use the coverings and glue according to ITTF rules (see the official lists given by ITTF as far as coverings and glue are concerned) and have to respect the ITTF rules as far as the bat sticking is concerned.

The sticking or resticking will only be made in a special place provided, outside the room where people play, with one of the authorized glue.

#### **Article 18.**

All players can only play with equipment that conforms to ITTF regulations.

**Article 19.**

With the exception of the rules described above, the ITTF regulations will be applicable.

**Article 20.**

Matters which are not described in these regulations will be solved by the CTI (International Technical Commission).