

**RULES TABLE TENNIS  
&  
PROCEDURES OF ORGANIZATION  
AN INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION TABLE TENNIS  
ITTADS**



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## **PREAMBLE**

The rules of Table Tennis SU-DS are adapted from the International ITTF regulations. However, they are designed to facilitate understanding of the players and enabling people with Down syndrome to participate in international competitions despite their differences, their difficulties and problems. The rules have small changes, mainly on the role of the referee, the service and the time out.

The umpire role is essential for a good accompaniment parts. The referee is present for guide and coordinates the players and allows the smooth running of the game and the competition.

The referee may possibly request the intervention of the coach adviser to facilitate understanding.

This interruption can be done between two exchanges or during a stoppage of play and should not, as far as possible, disrupt the game, the player or his opponent.

### **Article 1 - The service**

**The service starts when the ball lies on the palm of the free hand must be held immobile in the open position and flat.**

**Free hand when it is in contact with the ball during the execution of the service must at all times be above the level of the playing surface and behind the baseline server. The ball is thrown vertically and without communicating to effect, at least 16 cm when the ball descends from the top of its trajectory, the server hits so that it touches first his own camp and then passing over the net or bypassing key, the camp raiser.**

**As soon as the ball was thrown, the free arm of the server must be removed from the area between the ball and the net.**

#### **Derogation accepted:**

**Free hand when it is in contact with the ball during the execution of the service must at all times be above the level of the playing surface and behind the baseline server.**

**The involvement occurs from the free hand, without obligation launched vertical. However, the server must hit the ball so that it touches first his own camp and that of the receiver directly after crossing the net.**

### **Article 2 - Time out**

**When the ball is not in play, each coach has the right to request an interruption of 1 minute to give instructions to the athlete at any time a party, but only one time out per game.**

**For this, it suffices to ask announcing: "time out" to the umpire. The coach who did not ask the dead time also benefits from stopping to give instructions to his player.**

**Time is 1 minute for 2 players, even if one or the other does not take all that time.**

### **Article 3 - Competitions**

Games are played in 5 winning sets.

The parties may also play 3 sets win at the discretion of Technical Officer.

**Generally, 3 types of meetings are available:**

#### **A-Individual meeting - Single**

- Single Men or Women

#### **B-double**

It includes pairs of players of the same country or from different countries:

- Double Men
- Double Women
- Double Mixed

#### **C- Team - Davis Cup**

The teams consist of players (2 to 4 players and 1 coach per country) from the same country only.

2 singles players meet players from the opposing team (or 4 singles), the pair of dual meet doubles team opponent (players double component can meet players other than the singles players). The match is won by the team that has 3 points (1 point per win).

Games are played in three winning sets.

## PROCEDURES OF ORGANIZATION AN INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION TABLE TENNIS – ITTADS

International competition ITTADS proposed are:

- Individual: single Men and Women
- Double: Double and Mixed, Men and Women
- The team matches: Men and Women

Individual events, doubles or teams are held by hens or knockout, these two methods can complement each other.

### SCHEDULE OF THE GENERAL EVENT

- 1st Day: Arrival of delegations
    - Administrative meeting (Judges and Referees Administration) Morning about 2h
    - Officials training Meeting (JA and Referees) Afternoon from 3:00 to 4:00
    - Coaches Meeting and Heads of delegations (Organizers and JA) End of evening 1:00 to 2:00 (including Draw for the groups by teams)
  - 2nd Day: - See Opening Ceremony
    - Groups by Teams
  - 3rd Day:
    - Schedule final teams and consoling team
  - 4th Day:
    - Mixed Doubles, Men's and Women's Doubles
  - 5th Day:
    - Groups and the beginning of the final table Men's Singles and Women's Singles and Consolante
    - Men's Singles Final Table and Women's Singles
    - Closing Ceremony
- The order and number of events (Singles, doubles and teams) may be modified by agreement of the responsible Table Tennis ITTADS with the organizers.

### PODIUM - and AWARDS MEDALS:

- It is up to the organizing committee to set-up this organization but it is better to have them after each round of finals.

The first 4 of each table are rewarded (No match for the 3rd and 4th places)

For the main tables:

Men Teams: 5 medals / Team (4 players maximum + 1 coach)	- Gold, Silver and Bronze 2 (x 5)
Women Teams: 5 Medals / Team (4 players maximum + 1 coach)	- Gold, Silver and Bronze 2 (x 5)
Mixed Doubles: 2 players (no coach)	- Gold, Silver and Bronze 2 (x 2)
Men Doubles: 2 players (no coach)	- Gold, Silver and Bronze 2 (x 2)
Women Doubles: 2 players (no coach)	- Gold, Silver and Bronze 2 (x 2)
Men Singles: 1 player (no coach)	- Gold, Silver and Bronze 2 (x 1)
Women Singles: 1 player (no coach)	- Gold, Silver and Bronze 2 (x 1)

Maximum Total:

18 Gold, 18 Silver and 36 Bronze

### **Referees**

This is the responsible for ITTADS Table Tennis called for international competitions:

- A referee,
- A judge referee
- An assistant referee.

These three people will be supported by the organization.

For each event, the organizer will have to appoint 2 referees from the organizing country:

1 director of the events Deputy Assistant to the Deputy Referee (IT - Computer) and 1 Director of referees. Both local referees will speak fluent English.

### **Umpires**

Referees must be especially international referees and be completed by the referees at national level; they must know the rules and procedures of the ITTF (including gestures) and announce the scores in English. Cloakroom should be reserved for arbitrators. It will be locked and the key will be given to the arbitral manager who will be in charge of it.

For international competitions, from 12 to 18 referees are necessary.

In agreement with the organizers, each participating country must come in competition with a referee in his country. Otherwise, the country will have to pay a fee to the organizer. The amount of tax will be defined by the organizer and can rise to the cost of hosting a referee.

### **SECRETARIAT and Information (in connection to the Tribunal Referees):**

At least 2 people will be in charge of administrative work (Photocopying, editing, printing of information materials, photocopies and displays results These people must on the one hand, have a perfect knowledge of general computing (Word and Excel) and on the other hand, speak fluent English or be permanently accompanied by an interpreter.

To the secretariat will be provided a machine copy loaded with sheets (A3 and A4) but also at least one (or) computer (Word and Excel) with printer.

In connection with the secretariat and Referees, the results will be released every day after the competition on the website of the SU-DS.

### **INFORMATION:**

2 boards of information and results of the matches to come will be set-up: one for the players and delegations, the other on for the audience.

A "Pigeon-box" for each delegation will be set-up in the best place (updated news).

### **DISPLAY OF THE PARTIES ON SEPARATION:**

The names of teams (countries with colors) and the score (and evolution) should be displayed for the team competition;

For all other advice, the table (Ex: single men single men or console) and the level (eg district ...) should be displayed on the separation.

A specific person in the organization will be in charge of the display and monitoring.

## **Facilities conditions:**

### **The venue**

The area / room should include:

- Platforms to accommodate about 150 people minimum (public)
- Dressing rooms for men and separate shower and toilet Change (sufficient number based on the total number of players and nations) women
  
- 12 Tables approved by the ITTF for the competition
- minimum dimensions of 11m x 5m games, closed by separators.
- tables of umpires with markers
- adequate lighting around 600 lux. Attention to sunlight shall hinder players (Reflection of the sun ...)
- If possible - A training room with a minimum of 4 tables (ideally 6 tables)

A meeting room for 20-30 people are needed for various meetings and draw. It must, in sports or areas nearby. It should also include, for Referee / Referee, a video projector with a blank screen and a computer to the projection information.

A medical service will be set up with an emergency service (eg Red Cross), but also an attending physician in the competition.

### **- Balls:**

The organizer must provide the balls of the competition, which will be submitted to Judge Referee before the start of the competition. The total is expected bales of 144 balls, approved ITTF white or orange, depending on the choice of the organizer.

### **- Display (Bibs):**

A set of bibs 1-100 should be given to players (man and woman and in the total number of athletes). The allocation of numbers will be made by the referee upon receipt of the final list of players.

## **Racket Control**

Racket control will take place before the game, the racket must be submitted to the umpires before the start of the match.

If the racket is determined to be illegal (not in accordance with the rules of the ITTF), the player must play the game with another racket.

## **Jury of appeal:**

A Jury of Appeal shall be constituted for each competition; will include at least three members: A representative of the SU-DS (Head table tennis), a member of the organizing committee and a referee. Any player or head of delegation who would disagree with a decision, may appeal to the Jury of Appeal, in writing, enclosing a detailed report submitted to the referee to enter the jury of appeal.