OSA Sports

INTER-FACULTY GAMES

The Tan Eng Chye Challenge Trophy



TABLE TENNIS (MIXED) Rules & Regulations

1. Laws of the Game

The competition shall be conducted in accordance with the International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF) and Singapore Table Tennis Association Rules and Regulations as well as the General Rules and Regulations of the NUS Inter-Faculty Games (IFG).

In the event of any dispute, the NUS IFG General Rules and Regulations approved by the IFG Council shall supersede any relevant international sports laws.

2. Player Eligibility

Refer to Rule 5 for player eligibility in the NUS IFG General Rules and Regulations.

3. Registration of Players

- 3.1. Respective Faculty Sports Directors must confirm participation by submitting the General Participation Form to the NUS Students' Sports Club before the stipulated deadline found on the form.
- 3.2. **Participation** shall be confirmed with the hosting faculty at least **14 days** before the commencement of the competition. (Meaning 14 days before the first game of that sport regardless of which faculty is playing first.)
- 3.3. Respective Faculty Sports Directors must submit the **Team Registration Form** to the hosting faculty and the NUS Students' Sports Club at least **7 days** before the commencement of the competition. (Meaning 7 days before the first game of that sport regardless of which faculty is playing first.)
- 3.4. Each team may register a minimum of 8 players and a maximum of 14 players. Each faculty may send a maximum of 1 team.
- 3.5. Registration must be finalized before the commencement of the competition. No substitutions or additions will be permitted after the commencement of the competition.

4. Prizes

Medals will be awarded to the players of the top 3 teams. In addition, the champion team shall be awarded a champion trophy and banner.

5. Competition Rules

5.1. Submission of Line up

- 5.1.1. The team captain must submit the complete official line up of up to a maximum of 14 players to the hosting faculty convenor at least 10 minutes before the scheduled time of play. No changes will be accepted once the team line-up has been submitted.
- 5.1.2. Each team is allowed a maximum of <u>2</u> Varsity Athletes. Teams are allowed to field **1** Varsity Athlete for **1 match only in each game.**

5.2. Definitions

- 5.2.1. A game refers to a contest between 2 teams (faculties).
- 5.2.2. Each game consists of **5 matches**.
- 5.2.3. Each match consists of either 3 or 5 sets.

5.3. Competition Format

- 5.3.1. In the event of 7 and less participating teams, a single round robin format will be played, from which the top 3 teams would be decided based on games won. There will be no Semi-Finals or Finals.
- 5.3.2. In the event of 8 and more participating teams, a preliminary group round robin format will be played. The top 2 teams from each group with the highest league points will proceed on to the Semi-Finals.
 - 5.3.2.1. The Semi-Finals shall be played as follows:

Group A 1st position VS Group B 2nd position Group B 1st position VS Group A 2nd position

The <u>winners of the Semi-Finals</u> will play in the Finals. The other 2 teams will play for 3rd and 4th placing.

5.3.2.2. The placing of the 1st to 4th teams will be determined by their finishing position after the Semi-Finals, Finals and 3rd Place matches. The remaining teams will be placed according to league points scored.

5.4. League Points

5.4.1. Points shall be awarded in the following scenarios:

Win: 3 league points to the winning team of each game. Loss: 0 league points to the losing team of each game.

Walkover: The non-offending team will be awarded the maximum score

per set in every match, and will be declared winner of the

game (Refer to 5.12).

5.5. Game Format

- 5.5.1. Each game shall consist of the best of 5 (BO5) matches (Refer to 5.6.1). The team that wins the most number of matches in each game will be declared the winning team.
- 5.5.2. In the Preliminaries, teams will complete all 5 matches of each game.
- 5.5.3. In the Semi-Finals, Finals, and 3rd Place Match, a game will end once a team wins the BO5 matches.

5.6. Order of Play of Game

5.6.1. Each game shall be completed in the following order of matches:

1st Match - Men's Singles
2nd Match - Ladies' Singles
3rd Match - Men's Doubles
4th Match - Ladies' Doubles
5th Match - Mixed Doubles

5.6.2. In each game, 2 teams (faculties) shall play according to the order of the 5 matches (Refer to 5.6.1). The order may only be changed with the consent of both team captains and the hosting convenor.

5.7. Match Format

5.7.1. Preliminary Rounds & Single Round Robin Format

- 5.7.1.1. Each match shall consist of the best of 3 (BO3) sets with each set played to 11 points.
- 5.7.1.2. In an event of deuce (i.e. 10-10) the team has to lead by 2 points to win the set.

5.7.2. Semi-Finals, Finals & 3rd Place Match

- 5.7.2.1. Each match shall consist of the BO5 sets with each set played to 11 points.
- 5.7.2.2. In an event of deuce (i.e. 10-10) the team has to lead by 2 points to win the set.

5.8. Participation Limit

Each player is permitted to participate in 1 match in their respective gender category per game.

5.9. Change of Ends

Players have to change ends with their opponent upon completion of the first game.

5.10. League Ties

- 5.10.1. Should there be a tie in league points between 2 teams; the winner of the game between the 2 teams concerned will be awarded the higher placing.
- 5.10.2. Should there be a tie in league points between more than 2 teams, the position of these teams shall be established by considering the point differences between the number of sets won and lost (5-0, 4-1, 3-2 etc., i.e. the number of sets won minus number of sets lost), among the teams having equal league points.

5.11. Equipment

- 5.11.1. Competition balls will be provided by the IFG Council.
- 5.11.2. Players must use their own paddles.

5.12. Walkovers and Disqualification

- 5.12.1. If a team concedes a walkover or is disqualified, the non-offending team will be awarded the maximum score of 11 per set in every match. The offending team will be awarded a score of 0.
- 5.12.2. In the event that a team has been found to partake in or committed, but not limited to, dishonest behaviour such as cheating, fielding ineligible players or similar situations in which a breach of integrity has occurred, the IFG Organising Committee reserves the right to disqualify the team from the competition.
- 5.12.3. Refer to Rules 8 and 9 for no-show and walkover rules in the NUS IFG General Rules and Regulations.

6. Attire

Refer to Rule 11 for player attire in the NUS IFG General Rules and Regulations.

7. General

Varsity team players will be nominated to serve as umpires for the matches. In the event that varsity players are not available for umpiring, a neutral umpire from a third faculty should be nominated to umpire games between two teams. Nominated varsity players must not be participating in the sport they are refereeing.

8. Official Calls

- 8.1. In all matches, all faculties shall abide by the decisions of the Match Officials.
- 8.2. The IFG Council will be the rightful and final adjudicators of all protests and disputes.

9. Alterations and Amendments

The IFG Council reserves the right to change or alter these Rules and Regulations given any unusual or extraordinary circumstances at its discretion and will inform all teams of any amendments accordingly.

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ITTF R&R (2018): https://www.ittf.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/2018ITTFHandbook_v2.pdf_0.pdf

ITTF R&R (2022): https://documents.ittf.sport/sites/default/files/public/2022-02/ITTF HB 2022 tc v1 0.pdf

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