# Dr Lee Bee Wah Cup - STTA Table Tennis Championships 2019

# **Rules and Regulations**

#### **TOURNAMENT PERIOD**

1) 15<sup>th</sup> (Friday) to 24<sup>th</sup> (Sunday) November 2019

#### **TOURNAMENT TIME**

2) 9.00 am to 10.00 pm.

#### **TOURNAMENT VENUE**

3) Singapore Table Tennis Association (STTA) (297C Lorong 6 Toa Payoh, Singapore 319389)

#### **REGISTRATION FEES / PRIZE MONEY**

4) The registration fees and prize money are as follows:

S/N	Event	Entry Fee Inclusive of GST	Prizes			
<i>3/</i> N			1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Joint 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Joint 5 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup>
1	Men's Singles	\$12	\$600	\$360	\$120	-
2	Women's Singles	\$12	\$600	\$360	\$120	-
3	Boys' 18 & Under	\$12	\$300	\$180	\$60	Medal
4	Girls' 18 & Under	\$12	\$300	\$180	\$60	Medal
5	Boys' 15 & Under	\$12	\$300	\$180	\$60	Medal
6	Girls' 15 & Under	\$12	\$300	\$180	\$60	Medal
7	Boys' 12 & Under	\$12	\$300	\$180	\$60	Medal
8	Girls' 12 & Under	\$12	\$300	\$180	\$60	Medal
9	Boys' 9 & Under	\$12	\$300	\$180	\$60	Medal
10	Girls' 9 & Under	\$12	\$300	\$180	\$60	Medal

#### **REGISTRATION**

- 5) Registration will commence on 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2019 (Thursday).
- 6) Registration forms are available at the <u>Nee Soon South Community Club's Reception Counter</u> and <u>STTA's Reception</u> <u>Counter at 297-C Toa Payoh Lorong 6.</u>
- 7) Registration hours: (Except Public Holiday)
  - Nee Soon South Community Club
    Singapore Table Tennis Association
    9.00am to 9.30pm (Monday to Sunday)
    9:00am to 5.30pm (Monday to Friday)
- 8) Registration method:
  - Walk-in

**Cash payment** together with registration form(s) must be submitted to either Nee Soon South Community Club Reception Counter or STTA Reception Counter.

- 9) Registration by any other method(s) will <u>NOT</u> be accepted.
- 10) Closing date of Registration: 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2019 (Thursday) at 12.00 noon.
- 11) Late, unclear and incomplete form will <u>NOT</u> be accepted.
- 12) Registration fee paid will not be refundable.
- 13) Any event with less than EIGHT (8) entries will be scrapped and the registration fees will be refunded. However, the Organising Committees (Nee Soon South CC and STTA) reserve the right to organize the event if there is a short fall of entries.

#### **ELIGIBILITY OF PLAYERS**

- Only Singapore Citizens are eligible to participate in this tournament. Participants with outstanding payments due to STTA must make full payment by 12.00noon on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2019 (Thursday) otherwise he/she will not be included for the open draw. There will be no refund of registration fee, if paid.
- 15) A player can only participate in a maximum of 2+1 events which includes two age group events and one open event. For age group events, he/she is only permitted to play in his/her age group category and the next immediate higher age group.
  - For example, a 12-year-old girl can participate in "Girls' 12 and Under" and "Girls' 15 & Under" and "Women Singles" categories but cannot register for "Girls' 18 & Under" Category.
- 16) Current full-time national players (salaried by STTA) are not eligible to participate in any events.
- 17) Former full-time national players (salaried by STTA) who have represented Singapore for the last FIVE (5) years (2015-2019) are not eligible to participate in Men's & Women's Singles events.

- 18) The 9 & Under Categories are open to players who are born on or after 1 January 2010.
- 19) The 12 & Under Categories are open to players who are born on or after 1 January 2007.
- 20) The 15 & Under Categories are open to players who are born on or after 1 January 2004.
- 21) The 18 & Under Categories are open to players who are born on or after 1 January 2001.

#### **TOURNAMENT SYSTEM**

- 22) All players must report to official table at least **30 minutes before the scheduled match**. Player shall concede a walkover, if the player is not on court at the scheduled time after the match has been announced on court. There shall **not** be any grace period.
- 23) If a player does not show up for all his/her matches for a registered event, no penalty points will be imposed.
- However, if the player shows up for a match of a registered event, he/she will be imposed penalty points per match which he fails to show up for that registered event if he is unable to produce a valid written explanation within 7 days from the last day of the tournament. This applies even if the match coincides with the PSLE release date. The number of penalty points will be calculated as two times (2x) the rating points the player is supposed to get for the stage of the event he reached. For players being imposed penalty points, rating points shall still be awarded based on the stage of the event he reached. (Eg: A player registered for Boys' 18 & under and Men's Singles. He choose not to show up for all matches registered under Boys' 18 & under. He will not be imposed penalty points for his no show in Boys' 18 & under event. That same player shows for 1 match of Men's Singles and does not show for another match(es) of the same event, he will be imposed penalty for every no show for Men's Singles, if he is not able to produce valid written explanation.)
- 25) Any withdrawal from the tournament must be emailed to Mr Leon Lee of STTA at leon lee@stta.org.sg.
- All events shall be played on either a single knock-out system and/or group round robin system depending on the number of entries per event.
- 27) The preliminary round for all events shall be played to the best-of-5 games of 11 points each. Quarter-finals onwards for all events, except for Boys / Girls 9 & Under and 12 & under shall be played to the best-of-7 games of 11 points each.
- 28) All matches for Boys' / Girls' 9 & Under and 12 & Under shall be played to the best-of-5-games of 11 points each.
- 29) Seedings for the events are based on the latest national ranking points of the respective age category in year 2019.
- 30) The tournament shall be run played in accordance with the latest rules and regulations of the International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF). Rules and regulations of the ITTF can be downloaded from www.ittf.com.
- 31) Long-pimpled rubber bat is allowed throughout the Championships.
- 32) The ITTF approved 3-Star 40+ mm **white** balls shall be used during the tournament.
- 33) No **white** apparels (shirt and shorts) are allowed. Players who fail to conform shall be disqualified.
- Opposing players from QUARTER FINALS onwards shall wear shirts that are of sufficiently different main colour to enable them to be easily distinguished by spectators. When opposing players have shirts of similar main colour and cannot agree who will change, the decision shall be made by the umpire by lot. Players are required to bring along at least 2 shirts of different colours for the competition.
- 35) Umpires will be provided for all matches for 9 & Under category and only from Quarter-finals onwards for all other categories.
- 36) Players are required to be the scorekeeper when umpires are not provided.

## **FIXTURES**

- The complete entry list shall be published on STTA Website (<a href="www.stta.org.sg">www.stta.org.sg</a>) from 17<sup>th</sup> October 2019 (Thursday) onwards. The entry list's link shall also be emailed to all participants. Any discrepancy or omission of entries must be brought to the attention of Nee Soon South CCMC or STTA by 24<sup>th</sup> October 2019 (Thursday), 12:00 noon. <a href="https://www.stta.org.sg">Strictly no changes shall be made after the omission check</a>.
- An open draw of tournament fixtures will be conducted on **31<sup>st</sup> October 2019 (Thursday)** at the STTA's conference room at 7:00pm. All are welcome to witness the draw.
- 39) This tournament is part of the National Ranking System. Seeding for this tournament will be based on the players' National Ranking.
- 40) Fixtures with match schedule will be displayed on the STTA's notice board, and STTA's website (<u>www.stta.org.sg</u>) from 1<sup>st</sup> November 2019 (Friday) onwards.

#### PRIZE PRESENTATION

- 41) The Prize Presentation Ceremony shall be held immediately on the final day after the completion of all events.
- 42) All prize winners <u>MUST</u> be present personally at the ceremony in neat attire (no singlet, slippers and sandals) in order to receive their prize/s.
- The Organizing Committee reserves the right NOT to award the prize money and trophy if the above mentioned regulations are breached. In addition, rating points for the event will be taken away and penalty points will be further imposed. Please refer to National Ranking Policy for more information.

## **GENERAL**

- 44) Please contact Nee Soon South CC at 6753 3121 or STTA at 6354 1014 for further enquiries.
- 45) Please log on to <a href="https://www.stta.org.sg">www.stta.org.sg</a> for information on the Championships.
- 46) Players may be asked to produce their Identity Card or Birth Certificate for verification of their nationality and age.
- By agreeing to participate in this tournament, you are granting Nee Soon South Community Club and STTA permission to use your / your children's pictures for promotional and publicities purposes.
- 48) The Organising Committee has the absolute rights to interpret or amend the rules and regulations of the Championships at any time without prior notification. Any other rules that are not covered by the Rules and Regulations will be decided by the Organising Committee, whose decision shall be **FINAL**.