

STTA Youth Table Tennis Championships 2021

Rules and Regulations

TOURNAMENT PERIOD

- 1) 18 (Saturday) and 19 (Sunday) December 2021

TOURNAMENT TIME

- 2) Between 9.00am and 10.00pm

TOURNAMENT VENUE

- 3) Singapore Sports School, 1 Champions Way Singapore 737913.

REGISTRATION FEES / PRIZE MONEY

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

S/N	Event	Entry Fee <i>Inclusive of GST</i>	Prizes		
			1 st	2 nd	Joint 3 rd
1	Boys' 19 & Under	\$12	\$200	\$120	\$40
2	Girls' 19 & Under	\$12	\$200	\$120	\$40
3	Boys' 15 & Under	\$12	\$200	\$120	\$40
4	Girls' 15 & Under	\$12	\$200	\$120	\$40

*All 12 & Under events (Boys' 9 & Under, Girls' 9 & Under, Boys' 12 & Under and Girls' 12 & Under) had been cancelled.

REGISTRATION

- 5) Additional registration will commence on **16 November 2021 (Tuesday)**.
- 6) Registration forms are downloadable from STTA website: <https://www.stta.org.sg/tournaments/stta-ssp-table-tennis-championships-2021/>.
- 7) Registration form(s) must be submitted only by email to leon_lee@stta.org.sg (cc to chewkeethou@stta.org.sg).
- 8) Full payment is to be made via fund transfer only before/on the closing date. Please indicate player's name under "Reference" and email us the transaction detail (reference number & screenshot of transaction) together with the registration form.
 - Beneficiary : Singapore Table Tennis Association
 - Address of beneficiary : 297C Lorong 6 Toa Payoh, Singapore 319389.
 - Bank account number : 005-016895-3
 - Bank of beneficiary : DBS BANK LTD
6 Shenton Way DBS Building, Singapore 068809
 - UEN : S65SS0005E (PayNow)
- 9) Registration by any other method(s) will NOT be accepted.
- 10) Late, unclear and incomplete forms will NOT be accepted.
- 11) Registration fee paid will not be refundable.
- 12) The closing date for registration is **23 November 2021 (Tuesday) at 12:00noon**.
- 13) Any event with less than EIGHT (8) entries will be scrapped and the registration fees will be refunded. However, the Organising Committees reserve the right to organize the event if there is a short fall of entries.
- 14) Any withdrawal from the tournament must email to Mr Leon Lee of STTA at leon_lee@stta.org.sg before the registration deadline.

ELIGIBILITY OF PLAYERS

- 15) **Only Singapore Citizens who are fully vaccinated or have recovered from COVID-19** are eligible to participate in this tournament. "Fully vaccinated" means two weeks after receiving a full regimen of the Pfizer-BioNTech/Comirnaty or Moderna vaccines, or any of the vaccines on the WHO EUL listing, with the vaccination status updated in MOH's national IT system.
- 16) A player is **ONLY** permitted to participate in the age group category that he/she is eligible for.
- 17) Current full-time national players (salaried by STTA) are not eligible to participate in any events.
- 18) The 15 & Under Category are open to players who are born between **1 January 2006 and 31 December 2009**.
- 19) The 19 & Under Category are open to players who are born between **1 January 2002 and 31 December 2005**.

- 20) Participants with outstanding dues to STTA must be cleared by 23 November 2021 (Tuesday), 12.00 noon. Otherwise, he/she will not be included for the open draw. There will be no refund of the registration fee.

TOURNAMENT SYSTEM

- 21) This tournament shall be included in the STTA National Ranking System. Points shall be accorded based on the following competition classification: **T3 – 19 & Under and T4 – 15 & Under**. Please refer to STTA National Ranking Policy for details.
- 22) The tournament shall be run 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 ITTF website: <http://www.ittf.com>.
- 23) The list of approved Racket Coverings can be downloaded from ITTF website: <https://www.ittf.com/equipment/>.
- 24) The ITTF approved 3-star D40+ white balls shall be used during this tournament.
- 25) Events might be played on single knock-out, group round robin or a mixture of systems depending on the number of events and number of entries per event. The organising committee shall decide the format of play after the closing date.
- 26) All events shall be played to either best-of-3 or best-of-5 games of 11 points each.
- 27) All players are only allowed entry into the competition hall **15 minutes before** the scheduled match. Player shall concede a walkover, if the player is not present at the scheduled time. There shall not be any grace period.
- 28) Based on per event basis, a player will not be allowed to continue once he/she concedes a walkover in the knock-out stage of the competition. For all the walkover matches, prize money and placing shall be forfeited. Disciplinary action would also be taken by STTA. In addition, ranking points for the event will be taken away and penalty points will be further imposed.
- 29) If a player does not appear at all for one event, no penalty points will be imposed on him/her for that event.
- 30) Seedings for all the events are based on the latest STTA National Ranking points of the respective age category.
- 31) No **white** apparels (shirt and shorts) are allowed. Players who fail to conform shall be disqualified.
- 32) Opposing players shall wear shirts that are of **sufficiently different colours** to enable them to be easily distinguished from **Quarter-finals onwards**. Where opposing players have a similar shirt and cannot agree which of them will change, the umpire shall make the decision by lot. **All players are reminded to prepare an additional shirt of sufficiently different colours.**
- 33) No coaches and spectators are allowed throughout the competition.

FIXTURES

- 34) The complete entry list shall be published on STTA's website: www.stta.org.sg from **Friday, 26 November 2021** onwards. Any discrepancy or omission of entries must be brought to the attention of STTA by **Tuesday, 30 November 2021, 12:00 noon**. Strictly no changes shall be made after the omission check.
- 35) An open draw of tournament fixtures will be conducted on **Wednesday, 8 December 2021 at 7:00pm** via Zoom (details shall be emailed to all participants). All are welcome to witness the draw.
- 36) Fixtures with match schedule will be displayed on STTA's Website (www.stta.org.sg) from **Friday, 10 December 2021** onwards. Kindly take note that it is the responsibility of the player to check for the latest competition fixture and schedule.

SAFE MANAGEMENT MEASURES

- 37) All players must be able to produce proof of their full vaccination status or recovery from COVID-19 via TraceTogether or HealthHub Apps before they can be granted entry into the competition hall. Players are also required to do SafeEntry check-in and to bring along their personal ID during entry check.
- 38) Masks shall be worn at all times by default. Only players are allowed to remove their masks when competing and are required to put the masks back on immediately after they have completed their matches.
- 39) All personnel are required to maintain safe physical distancing of 1 meter at all times. During competition, players are required to maintain at least 2 meters distancing with their opponents, and at least 3 meters from other players competing in the hall.
- 40) All players are strictly not allowed to interact with players other than their opponent(s) scheduled for the session and must be restricted to competing during the match(es). There shall be no unnecessary body contact (handshakes, high-5s, etc.) and shouting except for communicating instructions.
- 41) Dedicated table tennis balls shall be issued and used for each match.
- 42) Players are not allowed to use their personal towels to wipe the tables.
- 43) No wiping of hand on tables and no blowing on the hand and ball. Failure to comply will result in penalization under the Penalty Point System (warning with penalty points).
- 44) Players are only allowed to enter/exit the competition venue via the designated entry/exit points. All players are to exit the competition hall immediately after their match(es) or at the end of the session, whichever is earlier.

PRIZE PRESENTATION

- 40) The Prize Presentation Ceremony shall be held immediately after the finals of the events.

- 41) All prize winners **MUST** be present personally at the ceremony in neat attire (no singlet, slippers and sandals) in order to receive the prize/s.
- 42) **The Organising Committee reserves the right NOT to award the prize money and trophy if the above mentioned regulations are not adhered to. 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 INFORMATION

- 43) Please log on to www.stta.org.sg for information on the tournament.
- 44) Please email Mr Leon Lee at leon_lee@stta.org.sg or contact STTA at 6354 1014 for further enquiries.
- 45) By agreeing to participate in this tournament, you are granting STTA permission to use your/ your child's images for promotional and publicities purposes.
- 46) The Organizing 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**.