

Singapore Table Tennis Association National Ranking System (Updated February 2025)

Description:

The table tennis players ranking system reflects a player's performance in tournament plays and determines the player's seeding for all competitions.

The Ranking points are computed and published in the Singapore Table Tennis Association (STTA) Website after every completed tournament by the STTA Technical & Officiating Committee.

Participants:

1. STTA Athlete Member with active membership status

Validity:

1. Competitions organised by STTA or co-organised with STTA

Point system:

1. The ranking system is a 52-week (1 year) cumulative system. Each player will be ranked according to his ranking points. A player with higher ranking points will be ranked above another player with lower ranking points.
2. Ranking Points = Rating Points – Penalty Points
3. Rating Points Principles
 - a) Rating Points are awarded on the basis of the final achieved positions in singles events. Rating Points are not awarded for Team events and doubles events.
 - b) The number of Rating Points awarded is related to the event. Rating Points gained from a particular competition in the previous year would be valid until the run of the same competition in the current year is over. If it is known that the competition will not be held in the current year, the points will stay valid for a period of 12 months. For example, if player X gained 400 points from Dr Ng Eng Hen Cup/STTA Table Tennis Championships in September 2022, these would expire after the end of September 2023's Dr Ng

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Eng Hen Cup/STTA Table Tennis Championships. In the event that Dr Ng Eng Hen Cup/STTA Table Tennis Championships in 2023 is cancelled, the points will expire as of September 2023. However, should Dr Ng Eng Hen Cup/STTA Table Tennis Championships in 2023 be postponed to November 2023 (instead of September), then the 400 points will still be valid between September to November 2023.

4. Penalty Points Principles

- a i) If a player does not appear at all for the competition, no penalty points will be imposed on him/her for that competition.
- a ii) In the event a player concedes a walkover in a group stage match, but continues to play in the remaining match(es) in his or her group stage, penalty points will not be imposed too.
- b i) If the player who fails to show up is unable to produce a valid written explanation within 7 days from the last day of the competition, he/she will be awarded penalty points per “no-show”. The number of penalty points will be calculated as the double of the rating points the player is supposed to get for the stage of the event he reached. For example, the player got into quarter finals for the Men Singles event in Dr Ng Eng Hen Cup/STTA Table Tennis Championships. He is supposed to be awarded 400 rating points. However, he failed to show up and was unable to produce any valid reason. The player will be penalized with 800 penalty points. If he is able to produce a valid reason within 7 days after the competition, no penalty points will be given.
- b ii) For players being awarded penalty points, rating points shall still be awarded based on the stage of the event he reached. Using the example above in b i), the player would be awarded 800 penalty points (if unable to produce valid reason within 7 days after the competition) and received 400 rating points, resulting in a overall ranking points of minus 400 points for the competition.
- c) If a player who must attend the prize presentation failed to show up, the rating points that he should have obtained from the event would be forfeited. At the same time, discipline action will be taken against this player.
- d) Penalty points will be valid for a period of 12 months. Therefore, the penalty points awarded for Dr Ng Eng Hen Cup/STTA Table Tennis Championships in 2012 will expire after year 2013’s Dr Ng Eng Hen Cup/STTA Table Tennis Championships.
- e) Acceptable Valid reasons are as such:
 - i. Medical Certificate
 - ii. Death Certificate of immediate family members (spouses and kids), grandparents and siblings
 - iii. Examinations

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- iv. NS Call-up
- v. Work overseas assignment / representing Singapore for overseas tournament
- vi. Validity of other reasons will be determined by STTA on a case-to-case basis.

5. Classification of Competition

- a) Events of competitions will be classified into different tiers according to the estimated level of play. The amount of rating points will differ from tier to tier.

6. Open and Age Group Events Seeding

- a) The seeding of the open events (Tier 1) will be based on the player's ranking points gained in all Tiers.
- b) The seeding of the Above 19 events (Tier 2) will be based on the player's ranking points gained in Tier 1 & Tier 2.
- c) The seeding of the age group events (Tier 3 to Tier 6) and masters events (Masters Tier) will be based on the ranking points gained by the player in that particular Tier. Therefore, if a player gained points for Tier 1 events, those points will not be used to determine his seeding for Tier 3 to Tier 6 and Masters Tier (MT) events.

Other notes:

The Singapore Table Tennis Association reserves the right of changing ranking system regulations after every competition is completed.

Full Time National table tennis players are excluded from the policy.

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1. RATING POINTS - Competition Classification

T1	National Grand Finale/ 'B' Division Championships	(Open Men/Women Singles Events)
T2	STTA Age Group Table Tennis Championships	(Men/Women Singles Above 19 Events)
	Dr Ng Eng Hen Cup/STTA Table Tennis Championships	(Men/Women Singles Above 19 Events)
	Dr Lee Bee Wah Cup/STTA Table Tennis Championships	(Men/Women Singles Above 19 Events)
T3	STTA Age Group Table Tennis Championships	(Boys/Girls 19 & Under Events)
	Dr Ng Eng Hen Cup/STTA Table Tennis Championships	(Boys/Girls 19 & Under Events)
	Dr Lee Bee Wah Cup/STTA Table Tennis Championships	(Boys/Girls 19 & Under Events)
	STTA – Toa Payoh West-Thomson CSN Youth Championships	(Boys/Girls 19 & Under Events)
T4	STTA Age Group Table Tennis Championships	(Boys/Girls 15 & Under Events)
	Dr Ng Eng Hen Cup/STTA Table Tennis Championships	(Boys/Girls 15 & Under Events)
	Dr Lee Bee Wah Cup/STTA Table Tennis Championships	(Boys/Girls 15 & Under Events)
	STTA – Toa Payoh West-Thomson CSN Youth Championships	(Boys/Girls 15 & Under Events)
T5	STTA Age Group Table Tennis Championships	(Boys/Girls 12 & Under Events)
	Dr Ng Eng Hen Cup/STTA Table Tennis Championships	(Boys/Girls 12 & Under Events)
	Dr Lee Bee Wah Cup/STTA Table Tennis Championships	(Boys/Girls 12 & Under Events)
C1	Crocodile Challenge Cup	(Boys/Girls Primary 5/6 Events)
C2	Crocodile Challenge Cup	(Boys/Girls Primary 3/4 Events) – for Primary 4 pupils only
T6	STTA Age Group Table Tennis Championships	(Boys/Girls 9 & Under Events)
	Dr Ng Eng Hen Cup/STTA Table Tennis Championships	(Boys/Girls 9 & Under Events)
	Dr Lee Bee Wah Cup/STTA Table Tennis Championships	(Boys/Girls 9 & Under Events)
C3	Crocodile Challenge Cup	(Boys/Girls Primary 1/2 Events)
C2	Crocodile Challenge Cup	(Boys/Girls Primary 3/4 Events) – for Primary 3 pupils only

Any other tournaments will be classified accordingly by STTA and announced to public in the Rules and Regulations of the tournament.

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2. RATING POINTS TABLE

Tier	1st	2nd	SF	QF	R16	R32	R64	R128	Before R128
T1	6020	4035	2705	1815	1215	815	550	370	245
T2	4035	2705	1815	1215	815	550	370	245	165
T3	1215	815	550	370	245	165	110	75	50
T4	815	550	370	245	165	110	75	50	35
T5	550	370	245	165	110	75	50	35	25
T6	370	245	165	110	75	50	35	25	15
C1	370	245	165	110	75	50	35	25	15
C2	245	165	110	75	50	35	25	15	8
C3	165	110	75	50	35	25	15	8	3

a) Rating Points Table Formulation

For each tier, the rating points of the players will increase exponentially from the initial stage to the eventual winner. The rating points shall also increase exponentially as the tier moves up.

As Crocodile Challenge Cup is an invitational competition where registrations are restricted (each school is only allowed to send 3 players per event), the rating points for each event are significantly lower compared to other competitions. In this way, the ranking of players who do not have a chance to participate in this challenge cup will not be significantly affected. Yet, the players will have some incentives to do well in their own schools' internal selection process to represent their schools in this challenge cup.