STTA National Table Tennis Grand Finale 2027
Rules and Regulations

TOURNAMENT PERIOD

1) 6 January (Wednesday) to 17 January 2027 (Sunday)

**competition might start early or later depending on entries received*

TOURNAMENT TIME

2) 7:00pm to 10:00pm (Monday to Friday)
   9.00am to 10.00pm (Saturday to Sunday)

TOURNAMENT VENUE

3) OCBC Arena Hall 6 @Basement 2, 5 Stadium Drive, Singapore 397631

REGISTRATION FEES / PRIZE MONEY

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

S/N	Event	Registration Fee (Inclusive of GST)	Cash Prizes		
			1st	2nd	Joint 3rd
1	Men's Team	* $87.20 / $130.80	$1,600 & 1 Trophy + 4 Medals	$800 & 4 Medals	$400 & 4 Medals
2	Women's Team	* $87.20 / $130.80	$1,600 & 1 Trophy + 4 Medals	$800 & 4 Medals	$400 & 4 Medals
3	Men's Doubles	$ 38.15	$600 & 2 Medals	$300 & 2 Medals	$150 & 2 Medals
4	Women's Doubles	$ 38.15	$600 & 2 Medals	$300 & 2 Medals	$150 & 2 Medals
5	Mixed Doubles	$ 38.15	$600 & 2 Medals	$300 & 2 Medals	$150 & 2 Medals
6	Men's Singles	$ 21.80	$1,000 & 1 Trophy	$500 & 1 Trophy	$200 & 1 Trophy
7	Women's Singles	$ 21.80	$1,000 & 1 Trophy	$500 & 1 Trophy	$200 & 1 Trophy

** Rate of $ 87.20 per team is applicable to STTA FULL & ORDINARY MEMBERS but limited to a maximum of 2 teams (Men's Team and/ or Women's Team) per STTA FULL & ORDINARY MEMBERS.*
** Rate of $ 130.80 per team is applicable to STTA FULL & ORDINARY MEMBERS (3rd team onwards) and Non-STTA FULL & ORDINARY MEMBERS.*

REGISTRATION

5) Registration will commence on **5 November 2026 (Thursday).**
6) Rules & regulations (R&R) are downloadable from STTA's website: https://www.stta.org.sg/tournaments/national-table-tennis-grand-finale/ .
7) Registration shall be done via the registration link from STTA website ONLY, except for the team registration (up to 2 teams) from STTA's FULL / ORDINARY MEMBERS eligible for the discounted rate of $87.20 per team, which had to be submitted via email to nicholastoh@stta.org.sg using the *STTA Full & Ordinary Members' Team Registration Form*.
8) Registration by any other method(s) will NOT be accepted.
9) The closing date for registration is **3 December 2026 (Thursday) at 12:00 noon.**
10) Registration fee paid will not be refundable. In a rare situation and on a case-by-case basis, if there is any refund approved by the management, a **Service Fee of $10 plus prevailing GST is chargeable per refund.**

ELIGIBILITY OF PLAYERS

11) **Only players who have active STTA Individual Memberships (Athlete) during the registration period** are allowed to participate in this tournament. Participants with outstanding dues to STTA must be cleared by 3 December 2026 (Thursday), 12.00 noon. Otherwise, he/she will not be included for the open draw. There will be no refund of registration fee.

Team Event

12) Men's and Women's Team events are opened to Singapore Citizens, permanent residents and foreigners residing in Singapore with valid passes (Student Pass, Long Term Pass, Dependent's Pass, Work Permit, S Pass or Employment Pass) only. Each Team may register a maximum of ONE non-Singapore Citizens.

13) Classification as graded 'A+' players:
- Permanent Resident, foreign students with student pass, employment pass, work permit holders, and / or any other pass that allow foreigners to base in Singapore
- Players who have represented Singapore in SEA Games, Commonwealth Games, Asian Games, Olympic Games, SEA Championships, Asian Championships, Commonwealth Championships and World Championships from year 2023 – 2027
- Former sparring partners with STTA from 2023 to 2027
- Current sparring partners and coaches who are employed by STTA

Singles and Doubles Events

14) All singles and doubles events are open to **Singapore citizens only**.

15) For singles events, participants must also meet at least one of the following criteria:
- National Team players
- Intermediate Squad players
- School-Within-School programme players
- Youth Training Squad players
- Junior Development Squad Players (born between 1 January 2014 and 31 December 2015)
- Ranked in the **Top 100 of the Overall Men's/ Women's singles** national ranking as of week 49 of 2026. Please refer to the ranking list on STTA's website.

TOURNAMENT SYSTEM

Team Event

16) A team shall consist of a minimum of 3 players and maximum of 4 players.

17) The team match shall be played according to the Olympic System (Best of 5 matches: 4 singles and 1 doubles). The order of play shall be:
i) Doubles B & C vs Y & Z
ii) A vs X
iii) C vs Z
iv) A vs Y
v) B vs X
Note: Player A, B, C and X, Y, Z must be nominated before the match.

18) Please refer to table below for example of team configuration.
Team should comprise of:

Player	Type 1	Type 2
1	A+	Other
2	Other	Other
3	Other	Other
4	Other	Other

19) All Team Managers/Captains must report to officials' table at least **30 minutes before** the scheduled match to collect their team line-up.

20) **Teams shall submit the line-up form 25 minutes before the scheduled time**.

21) Teams whose team line-up are not submitted 10 minutes before the scheduled time will have their line-up pre-filled in descending order according to the team registration list.
22) There shall **not** be any grace period. If a player is not present for his or her match in a team match, he or she will concede a walkover for that tie and the match will proceed to play the next preceding tie.
23) The name of the team captain, playing or non-playing, shall be designated beforehand to the umpire.
24) Substitution(s)/Addition(s) of players are allowed before **30 December 2026 (Wednesday) at 12:00noon**. The new player(s) must not be from any of the teams already registered for the competition.
25) **Team events shall be played with a round-robin group stage and the top 2 teams of each group will proceed into the knockout stage.** Should there be less than 6 participating teams, team events shall be played on a single group round robin system. **All matches shall be played to the best-of-5-games of 11 points each**.
26) When playing tables and umpires are available, teams will have to play their matches concurrently.

Singles and Doubles Events

27) The number of seeded players/pairs will be determined by Tournament Referee.
28) The format of play will be dependent on the number of entries. If there are more than 16 entries, it shall be played in a single knock-out format.
29) **The single events, up to the quarter finals, it shall be played to the best of 5 games. From quarter finals onwards, it shall be played to the best of 7 games**.
30) **The doubles events shall be played with a single knock-out system to the best-of-5 games of 11 points each.**
31) Any event with less than EIGHT (8) entries may be cancelled. If an event is cancelled, the registration fees will be refunded.
32) All players must report to officials' 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.**
33) Each player is allowed to have an accompanying coach who must have a valid STTA Individual Membership (Coaches), to provide side coaching for their match(es). Proof of valid STTA Individual Membership (Coaches) must be shown to officials upon request. *Please note that processing time for STTA Individual Membership (Coaches) application may take up to 3-4 weeks.* **Coaches are required to be in proper attire in the Field of Play (no slippers, sandals and singlets are allowed)**, coaches without a valid membership or not in proper attire will not be allowed in the Field of Play.

GENERAL

34) **If the player fails to show up at any stage of the event and 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 players being awarded penalty points, rating points shall still be awarded based on the stage of the event he reached. For all the walk-over matches, prize money and placing shall be forfeited.**
35) **Any withdrawal from the tournament must be emailed to Mr Nicholas Toh at nicholastoh@stta.org.sg or Ms Lam Hwee Peng at lamhweepeng@stta.org.sg before the closing time of the registration.**
36) The tournament shall be run in accordance with the latest rules and regulations of the International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF). Rules and regulations can be downloaded from www.ittf.com.
37) The ITTF approved **3-Star 40+ white balls** shall be used during the tournament.
38) **No white apparels (shirt and shorts)** are allowed. Players who fail to conform to this dress code will not be allowed to play.
39) Players from the same team or doubles pairing must wear attire (both tops and bottoms) of sufficiently similar base colours throughout the tournament. The attire does not need to be exactly the same, but the base colours must clearly match. For example, light blue and navy blue are not considered the same base colour.

40) Players are not allowed to use mobile devices to make or take calls at all times during their match(es).
41) **Racket control will be implemented in this competition.** It is the responsibility of the players to ensure their racket coverings will pass all parameters of the racket control tests. Any player who failed **three** compulsory racket testing before or after match in the tournament will be **disqualified from all events of the tournament.** The Disciplinary Committee will decide whether to award the prizes won prior to his/her disqualification. Please refer to Annex A for more information.
    - Racket submission time: **20 minutes** before match.

FIXTURES

42) Individual seedings:
    - Men's Singles & Women's Singles: Seedings will be first based on the World Rankings and then followed by STTA National Rankings.
    - Men's Doubles, Women's Doubles and Mixed Doubles: Seedings will be based on the total points of the Ranking Positions of the pair (Ranking Position will be based, first on World Ranking, followed by the STTA National Ranking).
43) The complete entry list shall be published on STTA Website (www.stta.org.sg) from **8 December 2026 (Tuesday)** onwards. Any discrepancy or omission of entries must be brought to the attention of STTA by **15 December 2026 (Tuesday), 12.00 noon**. Strictly **no changes** shall be made after the omission check.
44) An open draw of tournament fixtures will be conducted on **22 December 2026 (Tuesday)** at OCBC Arena Hall 6 from 7:00pm onwards. All are welcome to witness the draw.
45) Fixtures and match schedules will be displayed on STTA Website (www.stta.org.sg) from **24 December 2026 (Thursday)** onwards. Kindly take note that it is the responsibility of the player to check for the latest competition fixture and schedule.

PRIZE PRESENTATION

46) The Prize Presentation Ceremony shall be held on **17 January 2027 (Sunday)** immediately after the finals of the last event. Matches on the final day are followed-by.
47) All prize winners **MUST** be present personally at the ceremony in neat attire (no singlet, slippers and sandals) in order to receive their prize/s. Player who concedes walkover will not be entitled to receive any prizes.
48) The Organizing Committee reserves the right not to award the prize money and trophy if Regulation 47 is breached. In addition, if a player who must attend the prize presentation failed to show up, the rating points that he should have obtained from the event will be forfeited.

GENERAL INFORMATION

49) Please log on to www.stta.org.sg for information on the tournament.
50) **Any form of verbal, physical, or written abuse by players/parents/coaches towards match officials, event staff, and volunteers will not be tolerated under any circumstances and may result in disciplinary action, including immediate disqualification.**
51) By participating in this tournament, you are granting STTA permission to use your/ your child's images for promotional and publicities purposes.
52) 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**.