



**TABLE TENNIS
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Regulations: Tournaments

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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 An Open Tournament is a tournament for which entry is open to the players of any Association affiliated to the International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF).

1.2 A Closed Tournament is a tournament for which entry is restricted to members of a particular community, such as an organisation or a profession.

1.3 An Invitation Tournament is a tournament for which entry is restricted to particular players or teams, individually invited.

1.4 A Grand Prix is an Open Tournament which is subject to supplementary regulations, as set out in Regulations Part G: Grand Prix.

2 CLASSIFICATIONS

2.1 Open Tournaments will be classified by the Competitions Committee as Open, Elite and National competitions

3 PERMISSIONS

3.1 The Competitions Committee is responsible for arranging the Competition Calendar for each Membership Year.

3.2 Application to run an Open Tournament must be sent on a Competitions Request Form to the Competitions Officer

3.2.1 for a Open Tournament not later than 8 weeks before the proposed date.

3.2.2 for an Elite Open not later than 3 months before the proposed date.

3.3 The Competitions Committee may, at its discretion, accept late applications.

4 OTHER APPLICABLE REGULATIONS

4.1 The Regulations Part A: Regulated Competitions (including the use of ITTF regulations where Part A specifies that apply) to all tournaments.

5 TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS

5.1 The Organiser and Referee of an Open Tournament must be separate Affiliated Members and they, or responsible deputies, must be present throughout play.

5.2 The Organiser, Referee and Deputy Referee must not participate in the tournament as a player, umpire or coach.

5.3 The identities, and whereabouts during play, of the Organiser and Referee must be made known to participants.

5.4 The Organiser of an Open Tournament must be qualified to at least Level 2 (T02), that of an Elite Open must be qualified to at least Level 3 (TO3) or be an experienced TO2 as approved by the Competitions Committees.

5.5 The Referee of an Open Tournament must be a suitably experienced person whose appointment will be subject to approval by the Competitions Committee.

5.6 The Referee of an Elite Open Tournament (all age-categories) must be qualified to at least Level 2 (National Referee).

6 ENTRY FORM AND ENTRIES

6.1 An entry form is required for all competitions.

6.2 The entry form must include the items shown in the Entry Form Check List (Annex B) and is to be submitted for Competitions Committee approval in accordance with the procedure set out in Annex A

6.3 Entries must be numbered in order of receipt; if it is necessary to restrict entries, priority shall be given in order of receipt except that, in an Elite Open tournament, valid entries from all Senior Men ranked 1-50 in the Ranking List current at the closing date and from all other categories rated 1-32 must be accepted, with priority thereafter being given to players ranked 51-500, in order of receipt.

7 THE DRAW

7.1 The Referee of an Open Tournament is responsible for the conduct of the draw in accordance with the TTW Seedings and Draw Procedure

7.2 The draw for all events must be displayed in the playing venue and regularly updated to show the progress of play.

7.3 The draw will use the rating list current at the time of the draw.

8 PLAYING CONDITIONS AND EQUIPMENT

8.1 The playing conditions and equipment appropriate for each class of Open Tournament are set out in Annex A to the Regulated Competitions Regulations.

9 PROGRAMMES

9.1 It is recommended that a programme with draw sheets be supplied free to all competitors, either electronically or as hard copy.

10 REPORTS

10.1 Not later than 7 days after an Open tournament, or by the published ranking deadline (whichever is sooner), the Organiser must send to the Table Tennis Wales Competitions Officer

10.1.1 the results together with a list of entries and, completed draw sheets along with Ranking Levy Fees (RL1)

10.1.2 a report of disciplinary actions, if any, taken by umpires or the Referee. (CRF1)

11 NATIONAL COMPETITIONS

11.1 The schedule of events in National Championships organised by TTW will be determined by the Competitions, Leagues and Event Officer and published on the TTE Website.

11.2 All competitors entering the National Competitions must meet the following criteria

- Hold a valid Competitions Membership with Table Tennis Wales
- Only members who qualify to represent Wales by birth or have their main residency in Wales for a minimum of 4 years
- Have not played in a National Championships of any other country in the same membership year (1st September – 31st August)