

2026 Table Tennis Information

Tournament Staff

Roger Dickson is the Tournament Referee (TR). Larry Thoman is the Tournament Director (TD). For any match, schedule, results, or other similar question, ask Roger or Larry at the Control Desk.

Check-in

Players must check in at the Control Desk **and verify date of birth** upon first entering the gym. This allows us to know if you are here to play your matches and to make sure you can sign into Stadium. Venue opens 1 hour before matches start. If you leave the venue before your final match is played, please check out at the control desk and check back in when you return.

Stadium TT Software

We will use Stadium software to run this tournament. Stadium shows players entered, draws, and time/table assignments. Access Stadium on any device that can browse the internet by clicking or tapping this link, <https://stadiumcompete.com/tournament/f33a9152-f2f8-4366-96ae-a11536998465#matches>, or by scanning the QR code posted around the venue with your smartphone.

To see your matches with time and table assignments, click on the *Player* pull-down menu, locate your name, and all your matches will appear with time and table assignments. To view draws, click on the *Draws* tab and then select your event from the *Filter By Event* pull-down menu. You can also find a list of *players* and doubles *teams* by clicking on the corresponding tab.

IMPORTANT: The list of your matches does not initially include any matches in the playoff rounds of your events. However, if you reach the playoff rounds, your playoff matches will appear after your preliminary round scores are reported.

You will be self-reporting the game scores with Stadium. See PDF link on website explaining this. **Please record scores at the end of each game.** If scores are not reported, you cannot advance and results will be held up until they are reported. You may have someone else record the scores for you if they know your date of birth. Also, recording scores promptly assists the control desk in tracking progress of the tournament so we can address any issues in a timely manner.

Helpful Suggestion: If you don't see the *Report Scores* button when you go to submit your game scores, go to the *Overview* tab and sign in using the *Verify Access To Report Scores* button.

If you do not have a smartphone to access Stadium TT, we can print off your schedule or loan you a tablet for the duration of the tournament by requesting one at check-in.

Defaults

Match time is default time. If your opponent is not at the table at the scheduled time, report to the control desk.

Matches

Best 3 of 5 games to 11 points. Must win by 2 points.

Exhibition Matches

If you are the only one in your age event, all your matches will be exhibition matches. You automatically will be awarded a Gold Medal provided you play at least one exhibition match. Additional exhibition matches may be provided and you can safely default them if you choose. To default a match, go to the control desk.

If you are in an event with only 2 players/teams, you may be placed into a round robin group with 1 or more different age groups. This is solely to provide you more matches to play, but the matches outside of your age group will not count towards your final standing within your age group. You may safely default any matches outside your age group. To do so, go to the control desk.

Formats & Draws

- Events of 2–5 players or doubles teams will play one round robin group. This means you will play every other player or team in the group win or lose.
- Events with 6 or more players/teams will have preliminary round robin groups and then a playoff round. Playoffs may be either single elimination or round robin. If there are 2 or 3 preliminary groups, winners and runners-up advance. If 4 or more preliminary groups, winners only advance.

Game Breaks

2-minute warm-up. 1-minute rest between games. 2-minute rest between matches if you have consecutive matches to play. Tight schedule—please help us stay on schedule by showing up on time for your matches, getting the match started quickly, and promptly reporting game scores in Stadium after each game ends. You may play early if the table is open and you check with the control desk first.

Awards

Gold, Silver, and Bronze medals will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in each event. Top 4 places in each event qualify to play in that same event at the National Senior Olympics in 2027.

Tournament Ball

Tournament ball is white Butterfly R40+ 3-Star. **Please leave the ball at your table** after you finish your match so the next match can use that same ball.

Clothing

No white shirts, shorts, or skirts.

Cell Phones

Please use *Do Not Disturb* or *Silent* mode on your cell phones. You are not allowed to break continuity of a match to answer a call or otherwise use a cell phone. Even when not playing, ringing cell phones disturb players who are playing.

Spindex Rating

After the tournament, we will submit results to Major League Table Tennis to be processed in their Spindex rating system. However, for matches to be processed, players have to [create a free account with Spindex](#). If either player in a match fails to create an account, that match will not count towards ratings. So for better seeding in future Senior Olympics tournaments, or just to enable being able to track your skill progress and compare it to others, please create an account. It doesn't cost anything, only takes a few minutes, and will help our community of Senior Olympics table tennis players.