

# STTA National 'B' Division Championships 2024

## Rules and Regulations

### TOURNAMENT PERIOD

- 1) 25 January (Thursday) to 4 February 2024 (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 and Sunday)

### TOURNAMENT VENUE

- 3) OCBC Arena Basement 2, Hall 6, 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		
			1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Joint 3 <sup>rd</sup>
1	Men's Team	* \$ 65 / \$ 110	\$800 & 1 Trophy + 4 Medals	\$400 & 4 Medals	\$200 & 4 Medals
2	Women's Team	* \$ 65 / \$ 110	\$800 & 1 Trophy + 4 Medals	\$400 & 4 Medals	\$200 & 4 Medals
3	Men's Singles	\$ 12	\$600 & 1 Trophy	\$300 & 1 Trophy	\$150 & 1 Trophy
4	Women's Singles	\$ 12	\$600 & 1 Trophy	\$300 & 1 Trophy	\$150 & 1 Trophy
5	Men's Doubles	\$ 22	\$500 & 2 Medals	\$250 & 2 Medals	\$125 & 2 Medals
6	Women's Doubles	\$ 22	\$500 & 2 Medals	\$250 & 2 Medals	\$125 & 2 Medals
7	Mixed Doubles	\$ 22	\$500 & 2 Medals	\$250 & 2 Medals	\$125 & 2 Medals

*\* Rate of \$ 65 per team is applicable to STTA's FULL / ORDINARY MEMBERS but limited to a maximum of 2 teams (Men's Team and/ or Women's Team) per STTA's FULL / ORDINARY MEMBERS.*

*\* Rate of \$ 110 per team is applicable to STTA's FULL / ORDINARY MEMBERS (3rd team onwards) and Non-STTA's FULL / ORDINARY MEMBERS.*

### REGISTRATION

- 5) Registration will commence on **27 November 2023 (Monday)**.
- 6) Registration links and rules & regulations (R&R) are downloadable from STTA's website: <https://www.stta.org.sg/tournaments/stta-national-b-division-championships/>.
- 7) Registration shall be made online only via the registration links.
- 8) Full payment is to be made via fund transfer only on/before the closing date. Please note that transfer done after the closing date or amount transferred in excess will not be refunded and refund if any will be case by case and subject to service fee of \$10+prevailing GST per refund. Please indicate player's name under "Reference" and attached the transaction detail (reference number & screenshot of transaction) in the registration links.
  - Beneficiary : Singapore Table Tennis Association
  - Address of beneficiary : 5 Stadium Drive #03-40, OCBC Arena. Singapore 397631
  - 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 **28 December 2023 (Thursday) at 12:00noon.**

## **ELIGIBILITY OF PLAYERS**

- 13) **Participants with outstanding payments due to STTA must make full payment by 12:00noon on 28 December 2023 (Thursday) otherwise he/she will not be included for the open draw. There will be no refund of registration fee, if paid.**
- 14) 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 number of non-Singapore Citizens.
- 15) All Singles and Doubles events are opened to **Singapore Citizens** only.
- 16) Current National players are **not** eligible to participate.

## **TOURNAMENT SYSTEM**

### Team Event

- 17) A team shall consist of a minimum of 3 players and maximum of 4 players.
- 18) 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 XNote: Player A, B, C and X, Y, Z must be nominated before the match.
- 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 **19<sup>th</sup> January 2024 (Friday) at 12:00noon.** The new player(s) must not be from any of the teams already registered for the competition.
- 25) 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 for singles events 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. Up to the semi-finals, it shall be played to the best of 5 games. From semi-finals onwards, it shall be played to the best of 7 games.
- 29) The doubles events shall be played with a single knock-out system to the best-of-5 games of 11 points each.
- 30) Any event with less than EIGHT (8) entries may be cancelled. If an event is cancelled, the registration fees will be refunded.

- 31) 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.
- 32) Each player and pair are allowed to have an accompanying coach (who must have a valid NROC membership for table tennis) to provide side coaching for their match(es). Proof of valid NROC membership must be shown to officials upon request.

### GENERAL

- 33) **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.**
- 34) 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](http://www.ittf.com).
- 35) The ITTF approved **3-Star 40+ white balls** shall be used during the tournament.
- 36) No white apparels (shirt and shorts) are allowed.
- 37) Players from the same team and doubles pairing shall wear shirts that are of sufficiently same colours.
- 38) Players are not allowed to use mobile devices to make or take calls at all times during their match(es).

### **FIXTURES**

- 39) Seedings:
  - Men's Singles & Women's Singles: Seedings will be based on the STTA National Rankings.
  - Men's, Women's & Mixed Doubles: Seedings will be based on the sum of the Ranking Positions of the pair (Ranking Position will be based on the the STTA National Ranking).
- 40) The complete entry list shall be published on STTA Website ([www.stta.org.sg](http://www.stta.org.sg)) from **2 January 2024 (Tuesday)** onwards. Any discrepancy or omission of entries must be brought to the attention of STTA by **8 January 2024 (Monday)**, 12:00 noon. Strictly **no changes** shall be made after the omission check.
- 41) An open draw of tournament fixtures will be conducted on **11 January 2024 (Thursday)** at 7:00pm at OCBC Arena Hall 6. All are welcome to witness the draw.
- 42) Fixtures and match schedules will be displayed on STTA Website ([www.stta.org.sg](http://www.stta.org.sg)) from **15 January 2024 (Monday)** onwards. Kindly take note that it is the responsibility of the player to check for the latest competition fixture and schedule.

### **PRIZE PRESENTATION**

- 43) The Prize Presentation Ceremony shall be held on **4 February 2024 (Sunday)**.
- 44) 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.
- 45) The Organizing Committee reserves the right not to award the prize money and trophy if Regulation 44 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**

- 46) Please log on to [www.stta.org.sg](http://www.stta.org.sg) for information on the tournament.
- 47) By participating in this tournament, you are granting STTA permission to use your/ your child's images for promotional and publicities purposes.
- 48) 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**.