

TACO Table Tennis Tournament - 2018

Venue:

Spin & Smash Table Tennis
2192 N Wilson Rd,
Columbus, OH 43228

Date: February 24th, 2018

Time: 9:00AM - 7:00PM

COMPETITION RULES AND GUIDELINES

1. The right to choose the initial order of serving, receiving and ends shall be decided by toss and the winner may choose to serve or to receive first or to start at a particular end.
2. After each 2 points have been scored the receiving player or pair shall become the serving player or pair and so on until the end of the game, unless both players or pairs score 10 points or the expedite system is in operation, when the sequences of serving and receiving shall be the same but each player shall serve for only 1 point in turn.
3. In each game of a doubles match, the pair having the right to serve first shall choose which of them will do so and in the first game of a match the receiving pair shall decide which of them will receive first; in subsequent games of the match, the first server having been chosen, the first receiver shall be the player who served to him in the preceding game.
4. In singles, the server shall first make a service, the receiver shall then make a return and thereafter server and receiver alternately shall each make a return.
5. In doubles, the server shall first make a service, the receiver shall then make a return, the partner of the server shall then make a return, the partner of the receiver shall then make a return and thereafter each player in turn in that sequence shall make a return.
6. In doubles, at each change of service the previous receiver shall become the server and the partner of the previous server shall become the receiver.
7. The player or pair serving first in a game shall receive first in the next game of the match and in the last possible game of a doubles match the pair due to receive next shall change their order of receiving when first one pair scores 5 points.
8. The player or pair starting at one end in a game shall start at the other end in the next game of the match and in the last possible game of a match the players or pairs shall change ends when first one player or pair scores 5 points.
9. The ball and the racquet should be above the level of the playing surface and behind the end line of the server's court or an imaginary extension thereof from the last moment at which the ball is stationary on the palm of the free hand until the ball is struck in service.

10. When the ball is struck in service, it should be behind the server's end line but not farther back than the part of the server's body, other than his arm, leg, or head, whichever is farthest from the net.
11. If, in attempting to serve, a player fails to strike the ball while it is in play, his opponent will be awarded a point.
12. There is a "let" - no point is scored: If the service is delivered when the receiving player or pair is not ready, provided that neither the receiver nor his partner attempts to strike the ball. The failure to make a good service or a good return or otherwise to comply with the Laws is due to a disturbance outside the control of the player.
13. A point is scored:
 - a. If his opponent, or anything he wears or carries, moves the playing surface.
 - b. If his opponent, or anything he wears or carries, touches the net assembly.
 - c. If his opponent's free hand touches the playing surface.
14. A game is won by the player or pair first scoring 11 points unless either players or pairs score 10 points, when the game shall be won by the first player or pair subsequently gaining a lead of 2 points.
15. After each 2 points have been scored the receiving player or pair shall become the serving player or pair and so on until the end of the game, unless both players or pairs score 10 points or the expedite system is in operation, when the sequence of serving and receiving shall be the same but each player shall serve for only 1 point in turn.
16. Players clothing must be significantly different from the table tennis ball color. This is to ensure that both players can clearly see the ball.
17. Whenever there is a clear failure to comply with the requirements for a correct service, No warning shall be given and the receiver shall score a point.
18. If there is a tie between players (situations where 2 or more players have won equal number of games), the person who has won with more point difference in previous matches will be the winner and he would go to the next round of the tournament.
19. If there is a situation where there is a conflict or question about a particular situation during the game, TACO has the right to refer to the rules and regulations defined by ITTF and come to a decision.
20. Players are expected to be at the court at least 30 minutes prior to the game. If the players fail to show up the match will be cancelled and the opponent will be declared a winner.
21. Players will be divided into groups and each player or team gets to play 3 games within a group. Knock out round starts after the 3 games.
22. A match shall consist of the best of three sets. If a player or a team wins the first 2 sets, then the third set will not be played.
23. Top 2 teams and the players will be awarded by TACO.

24. Umpire decision is final.
25. If for any reason, there are less than 4 participants in a given event; TACO has the right to cancel that event on the day of the tournament.

26. **Following are the categories:**

A. Men's singles and doubles

B. Women's singles and doubles

C. Mixed Doubles

D. Kids singles & Doubles (If we get minimum 4 teams for Doubles)

Note: 16 years and older are considered adults.

27. Registration fee Member (\$8.00), Non-Member (\$10.00), Kids (\$5.00) for each game category. For example, if a participant is playing doubles, he/she will be paying \$8.00 in fee which would be \$16.00 per team
28. Any questions or enquiries, please contact TACO at sports@tacosite.com.

NOTE:

1. To participate, please send email to sports@tacosite.com. If interested to participate, please notify TACO at least 1 week prior to the date of the tournament.
2. SAFETY - As in any physical sport, there is a risk of injury. Participants are deemed to acknowledge and accept the risks. The organizers cannot accept any liability for damage or injury to person or property sustained by any participant or spectator.