



TABLE TENNIS (MEN AND WOMEN)

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These Championships are conducted under the rules of the Table Tennis Australia, with the following exceptions:

1. Team Size

- 1.1** Each team shall name a squad not exceeding five (5) players.
- 1.2** Minimum number of players is three (3).
- 1.3** For the Overall Team Championship, the captains shall declare the three (3) singles players and the two (2) combinations of doubles players before the commencement of each contest.

2. Championship Titles

- 2.1** The following titles are to be contested:
 - a)** Men's, Women's and Mixed Doubles
 - b)** Men's and Women's Individual
 - c)** Men's and Women's Overall Teams
- 2.2** The Australian University Championships will be awarded to the Men's and Women's Overall Team winners.

3. Championship Grading

3.1 Overall Teams Titles

- 3.1.1** A contest between two teams shall consist of eleven (11) matches. The three (3) singles players from each team play each other (nine (9) singles matches); and the two doubles pairs from each team plays one doubles pair from the other team (two (2) doubles matches). The team winning the majority of matches shall win the contest.
- 3.1.2** In the event of two teams winning the same number of contests, the teams are to be separated firstly by games won and if necessary points scored.
- 3.1.3** In the event of two or more teams having the same number of points at the conclusion of the preliminary contests, the higher placed team(s) will be decided when the first of the following criteria (applied in order) favours one team.
 - a)** Percentage of matches won during the competition.
 - b)** Percentage of games won during the competition.

3.2 Individual and Doubles Titles

- 3.2.1** Individual Titles - The format will be a round robin format for the first round (if entries and time permits) and then to a knockout competition. A contest shall consist of the best of five (5) games to eleven (11) points.
- 3.2.2** Doubles Titles - The format will be a knockout competition and the contest shall consist of eleven (11) points.

4. Forfeit Score

4.1 For the Overall Team Titles should:

4.1.1 A player not fulfill their playing requirements (i.e. a single or double match, the team will forfeit that match of the contest.

4.1.2 A team not fulfill their playing duty then the forfeit score awarded will be: Eleven (11) matches, thirty-three (33) games and three hundred and sixty-three (363) points.

5. Presentation

5.1 Presentations should be conducted at the conclusion of the competition.

5.2 At the completion of the Championship a trophy (if existing) will be awarded to the university that wins each of the Championship:

- Men's Championship
- Women's Championship

7. Uniform Requirements

7.1 Each athlete shall wear the uniform of their university. The university shall submit a description of its uniform to the organiser at the Sport Specific Team Managers Meeting or before if requested.

7.2 Minimum uniform requirements for AUS events must be met (where applicable for the specific sport):

- A competitor must not use equipment or wear anything that is dangerous to him/herself or another competitor (including any kind of jewellery).
- Long or sharp fingernails are to be trimmed or taped.
- All participating competitors are to be correctly attired in appropriate, matching team uniforms. Exceptions may be made for some sports in cold weather, providing permission is granted by the appropriate officials. Additionally the exceptions will only be granted providing they are the same colour, and the extra clothing does not cover up any identification numbers or colours.
- All numbers on shirts need to be clearly visible, and in a contrasting colour to the dominant colour of the shirt.
- Mouth guards are strongly recommended for all sports where there is a potential for collision. It is compulsory to wear a mouth guard in those sports where it is stated.

7.3 Specific Sport Uniform Standards - The uniform requirements for each specific sport should be as per the national sporting organisation standard with the following minimum uniform requirements:

- ✓ **Table Tennis** - Shorts and polo tops. (preferably matching team type and colour).

8. Team Duties

8.1 Team duties are an imperative part of the University Games and the development of sport event management skills across the University Sporting structure. The roster and role description will be provided to each Sports Specific Team Manager at the Sports Specific Team Managers Meeting if duties are required. **Teams that do not fulfil team duties will be fined as per the AUS Competition Forfeit Guideline.**

8.2 The specific requirement for **Table Tennis** at AUS events is:

- Team captains competing in the current match will be required to complete and sign the provided scorecard. The winning team captain will be responsible for ensuring that this scorecard is handed to the Sports Administration Officer at that venue.

Previous rule amendments

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