

UniSport Australia Guideline

Table Tennis - Mixed Teams

UniSport table tennis competitions are conducted in accordance with the rules of [Table Tennis Australia](#) except where these differ from UniSport competition guidelines; in which case the latter shall take precedence. Reference should also be made to the UniSport breach of competition requirements guideline for penalties related to breaches.

1. Team/squad size

- Minimum registered players – 2
- Minimum number of female players – 1
- Maximum number of domestic registered players – 1
- Maximum number of cross registrations – 1

2. Competition rules

2.1. Competition format

- a) Captains shall declare the two singles players and two doubles players before the commencement of each rubber. Singles players must be ranked one and two. Players can compete in both singles and doubles formats.
- b) A rubber between two teams shall consist of 3 matches.
 - i) The two singles players from each team play the corresponding ranked player from the other team (eg. Team A 1st ranked vs Team B 1st ranked).
 - ii) The doubles pair from each team plays the doubles pair from the other team
- c) The team winning the majority of matches shall win the rubber
- d) A match shall consist of the best of 5 games to 11 points.
- e) In the event that both doubles pairs or both singles players score 10 points in a game, the game shall be won by the first player or pair subsequently gaining a lead of two points.
- f) Substitutes are allowed after a result has been reached in the rubber. The teams can replace the doubles players with other players in the Team that were not currently listed for that particular match (provided there is still at least one female on each doubles team).

2.2. Pools point scoring

Points for teams competitions shall be awarded as follows;

- a) Winning team: 3 points
- b) Losing team: 1 point
- c) Forfeited team: 0 points

2.3. Pool tiebreakers

- a) In the event that two teams have the same number of points at the completion of the preliminary rounds, the higher placed team will be decided on the result of the match in which the teams played each other.
- b) In the event that more than two teams have the same number of points at the completion of the preliminary rounds, the order of the teams will be decided by the following criteria in order:
 - i) Result of the matches between the teams concerned
 - ii) Percentage of matches won between the teams concerned

- iii) Percentage of games won between the teams concerned
- iv) Percentage of points won between the teams concerned
- v) Drawing of lots

3. Team duties

3.1. Team duty requirements for table tennis are:

- a) Teams will be required to assist with accurately completing scoring duties across the competition

3.2. The person fulfilling the team duty requirements can be any competent person associated with the team or university and does not necessarily have to be a player e.g. team manager

4. Uniform requirements

4.1. The following requirements apply:

- a) Due to the use of white balls, it is strongly recommended that white shirts or shorts are not to be used

5. Forfeits, delays and abandonments

5.1. A forfeit will be declared 10 minutes after the scheduled start of play where either team is unable to commence play.

5.2. The forfeit score is 3 matches, 9 games, 99 points, three competition points to nil (0).

*All competitions will be held in accordance with the UniSport competitions guidelines.