

Tournament Regulations & Information

1. Every entrant must be affiliated to ITTA Ltd or be a member of another national association in membership of the ITTF.
2. Matches will be played in accordance with the rules & regulations of the ITTA.
3. Completion and submission of this entry form signifies agreement by the entrant to the conditions of the competition including the variations from the ITTF requirements.
4. All competitors will be required to umpire.
5. All matches will be the best of 5 games. Play throughout will be on a knockout basis, with the exception of the preliminary rounds in all singles events, which will be in groups of three and four with the first two players qualifying. The final order in a group shall be determined as per ITTF regulation 3.7.5 for group competitions except that where a player concedes a match he/she shall receive -3 group points (x).
6. Competitors in **U10 events must have been born on or after 1st January 1999**, competitors in **Under 12 on or after 1st January 1997**; **Under 14 on or after 1st January 1995**; **Under 17 on or after 1st January 1992**.
7. Competitors must wear rubber soled shoes and clothing and must not wear shirts that are predominantly white.
8. Competitors will be permitted to practise on tables not in use at the discretion of the Referee.
9. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to alter the programme, format or venue; to cancel any event; to reject or regrade entries; and to restrict admission to the tournament venue.
10. Doping shall not take place either before or during play. Doping control tests may take place.
11. All competitors must report to the control table on arrival and must not leave the venue while still in the competition without first obtaining permission from the Referee.
12. Should there be insufficient entries in any event, the Referee reserves the right to cancel/merge such event and/or place the entrants in a similar event.
13. Competitors will not be allowed to glue up within the confines of the playing venue. "Playing venue" means the whole establishment in the playing building and the ground where the playing building stands, which contains the doorway, the parking lot and related facilities.
14. The Referee's decision shall be final on points of law or on any question arising not provided for in these regulations or in any dispute as to the interpretation thereof. Decisions on points of fact by an umpire or assistant umpire appointed by the Referee shall be final.
15. Play throughout will be on Stiga Elite and Tibhar Smash28 Tables, using Stiga 3* Balls.
16. P.A. System – All matches will be announced on the P.A. system. Players must not leave the centre without permission of the Referee. Repeat calls for a player will be limited to three per day, following which a player will be scratched.
17. Where required, clubs can submit a mass entry for all their players, on the condition that the information as stipulated on the entry form is included.
18. The venue has full car parking, changing and catering facilities.
19. Time-outs allowed for U/12, U/14 and U/17 comp. No time-outs or coaching allowed for U10 comp. Nominated coaches only for under 12 event. The under 10 event is not an Irish classification event.
20. Format of Events: All Singles events will be played on a Round Robin format for the first round. The top 2 in each group will progress to second round groups. The winners of the second round groups will progress to the knockout stages. There will be a plate competition in each event for players eliminated in the first round. **In any event where there are insufficient entries it may be necessary to scrap second round groups and proceed directly to knockout.**
21. The ITTA has a policy on the use of photographic and video recording equipment at ITTA events, and permission for the use of such equipment must be granted by the Referee or Organising Committee. All participants accept that photographs or other recorded images taken on behalf of the ITTA may be used in connection with the promotion of ITTA events and activities, unless requested otherwise in advance by the participant, their guardian or coach.
21. Acceptance of these regulations is a condition of entry.

The I.T.T.A. require dates of birth for all junior players for the national affiliation database.
If email contacts are available please include for all players (on a separate sheet if necessary).