



TECHNICAL RULES FOR  
**ISF WSC TABLE TENNIS**  
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*"We are school sport"*



The competition will be run according to current ISF and ITTF rules under the direction of the ISF Technical Commission for table tennis.

Specific ISF regulations are:

1. a. The competition is open both to school teams and selected teams.
- b. There will be a competition organised in the following categories:
  - school teams, boys
  - school teams, girls
  - selected teams, boys
  - selected teams, girls
- c. Each country may enter only one team in each category.
- d. Each competitor may only compete in one team.
2. All competitors of the school team must have been enrolled at the same school since the beginning of the school year.
3. All competitors of the selected team must have been enrolled at a school in the country concerned since the beginning of the school year.
4. Students aged 18, 17, 16, and 15 years on 31 December of the year of the World Schools Championship concerned can participate
5. Each team shall be composed of 4 players and 1 teacher.

Each country which enters 1 or 2 teams must provide one umpire. Countries entering 3 or 4 teams must provide two umpires.

All umpires shall be in possession of a national (highest level) or international qualification.

6. The competitors must be enrolled as full-time students at the school which they represent. They must be attending schools which provide a general education.

The following are not eligible to participate:

- a. pupils of vocational schools who only attend that school as a complement to their vocational training,
  - b. school teams and pupils enrolled at schools which provide sports training without any general education,
  - c. part-time (e.g. afternoon) sports schools which take pupils from a variety of schools for training in one or more sports,
  - d. teams formed as part of clubs, companies, universities or other institutions.
7. Each participating team must be nominated officially by the organisation responsible for school sport and which is member of ISF.
  8. Only competitors, registered on the team's list handed in at the accreditation, are authorized to take part in this competition.

9. Mixed teams are not allowed.

10. System of the competition:

- a. Tables and balls will comply with ITTF regulations.
- b. The measuring of each court is 12 m x 6 m.
- c. All matches will be umpired by National Umpires. All play will be controlled by an International Referee assisted by a Deputy who will be also an International Referee.
- d. System of play.

Team competition -

First part of the competition : qualification games in groups (all x all).

Second part of the competition : classification games, over crossing the groups.

Individual competition –

- All players in the official team events will entered in the individual events and the Friendship competition.

- In the individual event, players will be placed in a knock-out stage.

- All boys will be entered into one event and all girls into another. This does allow cross competition between the players from school and selected teams.

Heads of Delegation will be asked to grade their players in rank order before the commencement of the competition. This information, together with the results of the team competition will assist the Technical Commission in seeding the events. Efforts will be made to avoid players from the same country being placed in the same group.

Team match procedure.

- In each event a team shall consist of maximum of 4 players.

- A team shall consist of three players to play singles. The fourth player may play in the doubles.

- Before the match the right to choose A,B,C or X, Y, Z shall be decided by lot and the Team Official / Non Playing Captain shall name their team to the referee / umpire assigning a letter to each singles player.

- The order to play shall be A v Y, B v X, C v Z and doubles A v X, C v Y, B v Z

- All matches will be played as best of five.

- The Organizing Committee shall inform all competing countries of the brand / color of tables, the brand of the net assembly and the brand / color of the ball to be used.

e. The draw.

The draw will be a public event and participating teams may send observers at their own expense.

The group draw will take place during the second preliminary visit in the presence of the official ISF delegate and the president of the ISF Technical Commission for basketball.

The draw will take into account results achieved in previous ISF basketball competitions and any other information relevant to ISF.

If after the draw one or more teams withdraw from the competition, the ISF Technical Commission may modify the draw in order to balance the number of teams in each group.

The Organizing Country will publish the draw immediately on the ISF website and thereafter, as required, all alterations.

f. The competition is led by national and international referees.

#### 11. Prize-giving.

Each participant will receive a commemorative certificate.

The teams finishing first, second and third will be rewarded with medals and trophies.

Individual medals and certificates: the first 3 players of each category will receive a medal. In addition, the other players of each category will receive a certificate.

The ISF Joy of Moving Trophy will be awarded to a delegation by the Disciplinary Commission following consultation with the Technical Commission ISF, the Organizing Committee and the delegations.

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NB. Additional information will be included in bulletin 1, 2 and/or 3 of the relevant event