

# PUBLIC SERVICE TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT 2025

#### **EVENT INFORMATION**

Period : 9 September 2025 to 1 October 2025

Time : 1st Tie - 7.15pm to 8.30pm

2nd Tie - 8.30pm to 10.00pm

Venue : Our Tampines Hub, OTH

Community Auditorium,1 Tampines Walk

Level 3, Singapore 528523

Registration Fee : \$30 (Excludes GST)

Closing Date : Monday, 18 August 2025

Live Draw : Friday, 22 August 2025

#### **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

#### 1 RULES OF THE GAME

1.1 The Public Service Table Tennis Tournament will be conducted under the rules and regulations of the Singapore Table Tennis Association, STAR Games General Rules and rules & regulations for this tournament.

## 2 **ELIGIBILITY**

- 2.1 The Tournament is open to all civil servants and officers serving in Statutory Boards, Restructured Hospitals and Government-Aided Schools.
- 2.2 The following officers (including non-resident officers) shall not be eligible to participate in the STAR Games:

- a) Public Officers who have represented Singapore (including those as Reserves) or their respective countries (for non-resident officers) in SEA Games, Asian Games, Commonwealth Games or Olympic Games during the current year and past two years,
- b) Players who earn their living as professional players for Clubs, etc during the current and past two years, and
- c) Full-time National Servicemen

## 3 REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS

- 3.1 Sports Liaison Officers must register their team(s) online at <a href="https://www.csc.sg/stargames/">www.csc.sg/stargames/</a> by the closing date
- 3.2 Registration must be accompanied by <u>online payment of registration fee</u> otherwise it will be void.
- 3.3 An agency is allowed to register a maximum of 7 players (5 players and 2 reserves) for each team.
- 3.4 An agency is allowed to register **female players** to play in the Men's Category.
- 3.5 A player is allowed to compete in one category only. Players in the Men's Senior category must be 40 years and above and Active Agers' category must be 50 years and above (both gender) as at commencement date of the tournament.
- 3.6 Agencies which have entered two or more teams, are not allowed to substitute or switch registered players from another team. Substituting of players must be from players not originally registered.
- 3.7 A player is allowed to register and play for one team only.
- 3.8 Any changes to the Registration Form must be submitted to the Tournament Referee on the first match. No changes will be allowed after submission of the list unless a player is not approved by the Committee. A player who has left government service on the day of play is not allowed to participate and no replacement is allowed.

#### 4 TOURNAMENT RULES

- 4.1 The Tournament shall comprise the following three categories:
  - a) Men's Category
  - b) Women's Category
  - c) Senior/Active Agers Category

4.2 Players in a particular category must fulfill the below stipulated age criteria. A female player may take the place of a male player but not vice versa.

S/N Player Age of Players as at 17 September 2024

a) Men - Any age b) Women - Any age

c) Senior - 40 years and aboved) Active Agers - 50 years and above

- 4.3 The team composition and order of play for Senior/Active Agers Category shall be as follows:
  - a) Senior Single (any gender aged 40 years and above)
  - b) Active Agers Double (any gender aged 50 years and above)
  - c) Senior Doubles (any gender aged 40 years and above)
- 4.4 The order of play in each tie shall be as follows:
  - i) Single
  - ii) 1st Doubles
  - iii) 2nd Doubles
- 4.5 Teams must submit their Line-up forms to the Tournament Referee at least 15 minutes before commencement of match at 7.15pm and 8.15pm. No changes to the Line-up form is allowed after it has been submitted to the tournament official.
- 4.6 Captains of both teams can mutually agree to change the order of play for the first match subject to the approval of the Tournament Referee. Where a decision has to be made on the order of play, ties where players of opposing teams are present shall be played first. Immediately after this, irrespective of whether players of opposing teams are present or not, the next ties shall be played. If players are not present ten minutes from the announcement of the tie, a walkover shall be declared by the tournament official.
- 4.7 The score for each set shall be based on 11 points best of 5 sets for each match.
- 4.8 Officials and players of participating teams shall umpire their own matches in the preliminary rounds. STTA umpires will officiate the top four positions matches at the finals.
- 4.9 STTA approved table tennis balls **3 STAR White ball (D40+)** shall be used for the tournament.
- 4.10 The Tournament Referee may stop the match once a winning team is established.
- 4.11 No postponement of matches shall be allowed.

## 5 TOURNAMENT FORMAT

- 5.1 The format of play shall be **Double Knock-out**.
- 5.2 Each tie shall comprise one Single and two Doubles matches. The team that wins majority of the 3 matches shall be the winner of the tie. A player is not allowed to play more than one match in each tie.
- 5.3 The Organising Committee reserves the right to change or merge the different categories, if necessary.

## 6 CATEGORY POINTS, CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS AND OVERALL POSITION

- 6.1 Championship Points shall be awarded in accordance the STAR Games General Rules.
- 6.2 The champion, 2nd, 3rd and 4th placing teams shall receive 4, 3, 2 and 1 Category points respectively. The total number of category points obtained by the best teams of the agencies in the three categories shall be aggregated to determine the top four overall placings for award of Championship points. In the event of a tie in category points, the most number of 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th placings in that order won by the organisations, shall be used to break the tie to determine the overall placings.
- 6.3 Minimum number of eight (8) competing agencies for award of Category points applies.

#### 7 **DRAW**

- 7.1 The system of draw shall be as follow:
  - a) The top four teams of last year's tournament shall be seeded and placed into different groups. The placing of the four teams shall be predetermined by the organizer.
  - b) For agencies with more than one team, the teams from the same agency shall be drawn into different grouping first.
  - c) After completion of (b), the rest of the teams shall then be drawn into the different groups.
  - d) The fixture for the next round shall be as follow:
    - Winner of group with last year's champion shall play winner of group with last year's 3rd runner-up team
    - Winner of group with last year's 1st runner-up shall play winner of group with last year's 2nd runner-up team

## 8 **WALKOVER**

- 8.1 A team may claim a walkover if its opponent fails to be present 15 minutes after the commencement time.
- 8.2 Teams giving walkover after the fixtures had been drawn will be fined a sum of \$100 and also required to furnish an explanation to the Organiser. They may be barred from future tournament.
- 8.3 Teams giving walkover will be disqualified and shall not be eligible to play in the "Feed-In" Pool. Teams with insufficient players for at least 2 matches in a tie will be considered as giving a walkover.

## 9 ABANDONED GAME & DISQUALIFICATION

- 9.1 Decisions on abandoned game shall abide by the Rules of Table Tennis.
- 9.2 Any team causing a game to be abandoned by walking out shall be barred from future tournaments.

## 10 DRESS CODE

- 10.1 Players are not allowed to wear **white-coloured T-shirt**, **Shorts & Skirt** during the tournament.
- 10.2 Team members must wear T-shirt of uniform colour or if not, T-shirt with organisation's badge / logo printed on it.
- 10.3 Teams trying for the 1st to 4th places must put on T-shirt of uniform colour and preferably have a badge or printed logo for identification purposes.
- 10.4 Long track pants are not allowed except on religious grounds or with the permission of the Organiser.

#### 11 <u>REFEREE'S DECISION</u>

11.1 Referees' decisions on any matches shall be final. No appeal against referee's decision shall be entertained.

## 12 **PHOTOGRAPHY**

12.1 The Civil Service Club reserves the right to use any photographs (including those of Participants), motion pictures, recordings, or any other media records of any STAR Games, for any legitimate purpose, including commercial advertising and distribution to sponsors and partners.

12.2 Photography and/or videography will be taken during the event for news and publicity purposes by the official photographer and/or videographer, and may be used for print and on online/electronic platforms of the Civil Service Club. The Organiser owns all rights to the photographs and video recordings. Any participants who do not wish to have their photographs or video recordings taken can notify inform the Organiser at the event site.

## 13 PERSONAL DATA PROTECTION

13.1 All participants consent to their personal data being collected and processed for purposes of administration and communication in a particular event. Participants also agree to receive postings on other events organised by the Civil Service Club.

## **DISCLAIMER**

The Civil Service Club reserves the right to cancel, postpone or change the venue, date and/or time of the competition at its discretion due to inclement weather, facility problem or any other situation deemed as appropriate.

The Civil Service Club and its servants and/or agents will not be held responsible for any claims arising out of any death or injury, damage or loss, suffered or caused while attending this competition, and this includes all costs and expenses incurred as a result of such claims.