



TABLE TENNIS Interest Group

Table Tennis Doubles Team League 2019

The Table Tennis Interest Group (TTIG) has organized a team league for members to gain doubles-match experience where male and female players can compete with each other. Each team will comprise of 4 members from premier, champion and general groups. Keen table tennis players should not miss this opportunity to gain match experience in playing doubles with other fellow members.

Details		
Dates:	Saturday, 10 August 2019	
Time:	2:00 pm – 8:00 pm	
Venue:	Cornwall Street Squash and Table Tennis Centre J/O Cornwall Street & Tat Chee Avenue, Kowloon Tong, Kowloon (Click <u>here</u> for the location map)	
Capacity:	Min. 20 and max. 32 * The minimum number of participants must be reached; otherwise the event will be cancelled.	
Fee:	\$100 per player	
Awards	Champion, 1st Runner-Up, 2nd Runner-up and 3 rd Runner-up <i>* Prize presentation will be held immediately after the matches</i>	
Registration & Enquiries		
Registration:	Click here to register online	
Deadline:	29 July 2019	
Enquiries:	Contact Miss Karina Yeung, Corporate & Member Services on 2287 7386 or email at karinayeung@hkicpa.org.hk	
Notes:	Registration is on a first-come first-served basis	
Groupings		

Based on enrollees' levels and previous match experience, the league panel members will do their best to group each team with different level players to ensure the league will proceed on a fair basis as far as possible.

Generally, anyone who has been HKICPA representative team members or who has competed in advance level at any open tournaments will be grouped under *Premier A or Premier B*.

Whereas those who have competed in other lower level at any external competitions with official results will be grouped under *Champion* and the rest will be grouped under *General*.

Rules and Information

Grouping criteria

- The league panel, comprising the TTIG convenor and his organizing committee (OC) members, has been delegated to draw up the group lists for subsequent teams-draw administered by the Institute.
- The panel members will base on the information provided by the enrollees in the enrollment form regarding their external competitions' experience and results.
- The panel members will also refer to the enrollees' past performance in practices and tournaments.
- In the absence of any past records, the enrollees may be invited to participate in a practice to enable the panel to make a proper judgment for grouping purpose.

League format and scoring system

- 1. It is a single round-robin team-league format.
- 2. Matches between 2 teams consist of 4 Doubles only.
- 3. The winner in any game is the pair who first scores 11 points. In the event of deuce, a game will be won by the first pair to gain a two-point lead. Each match is determined by the best of 2.
- 4. The scoring for each of the 4 matches between 2 teams is as follows:

Won (best of 2 games)	2 marks
Draw	1 mark
Walkover	0 mark

5. The team's score after completion of the 4 matches against another team is as follows:

Won	2 marks	
Draw (4:4)	1 mark	
Lost	0 mark	

- 6. Unlike the method to determine overall ranking in Para. 11 below, the total individual scores of each team-match will not be used to decide the winner of the 2 opposing teams that end up in a 4:4 draw.
- 7. The total number of team-matches of the league depends on the number of registered players. All players in each team-match must and only play twice in each round, i.e. 2 matches with different partner except in case when there is an unavoidable absentee in a team on match day, his or her position can be replaced by another player of the lower level, e.g. a Premier A player replaced by a Premier B, Champion or General player and a Champion player by a General player (except the only General player who could not be replaced).
- 8. The team has to determine the partners for all the 4 matches against another team, but the first match must be played by a General player with any team member, the second match by a Champion player, the third match by a Premier B player and the final match by a Premier A player. Notwithstanding the different doubles' team combinations playing in the above sequence, the restrictions mentioned in para. 7 above have to be followed.
- 9. Best effort will be made to ensure that each team shall consist of similar mix of stronger and weaker players. So no handicap will be given to any team when players' grouping is based on performance level but not their gender.
- 10. The league will come to an end after completion of all matches as scheduled. Except in the event of weather inclement on match-day, in which case the remaining matches will be re-scheduled.
- 11. Overall ranking is based on the total marks scored from all the team matches. The team with the highest points in the league will be the champion.
 - (i) If there is a tie, the team which won the relevant matches between the two teams will be ranked at a higher place.
 - (ii) In the event that para. 11(i) fails to achieve the desired outcome, the ranking will be determined by the total number of team-matches won.
 - (iii) In the event that para. 11(ii) fails to achieve the desired outcome, the ranking will be determined by the total number of individual matches won in each round and then the number of individual games won and then the number of individual scores made.
 - (iv) In the event that para. 11(iii) fails to achieve the desired outcome, the ranking will be determined by draw administered by the Institute or its delegate.
- 12 The top four teams on the ranking will be the champion, 1st, 2nd and 3rd runner-up respectively.

Below is an illustration of the league rules based on a total of 8 teams in the league: Each team has to play a total of 7 team-matches i.e. 28 individual matches under the single round-robin league format. To be eligible for final ranking, each team has to complete all 7 team-matches at the end of the match-day.

Table tennis rules

In principle, all match rules will be in accordance with the rules and regulations of the International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF) as far as possible given the league is not intended to be a professional tournament and the main objective of the league is to help members to gain competition experience and promote fellowship.

TTIG members will be appointed as umpires to the matches while one independent official will be engaged for the match co-ordination and recording of results. Players have the right to raise objection with regard to the decision of the umpire or in the case of suspected foul play, but they must do so by raising it with the chief official on the spot. Upon consultation with TTIG convenor/ TTIG OC members / panel members, the chief official's decision shall be final.

<u>Remarks</u>

- Scores of each individual and team-match will be posted on the notice board soon after the matches. Players should check the scores promptly and draw the official's attention to any errors, if any. In terms of fairness, there is also a need for all the players to check all the results of their team even though it is at the bottom half of the league table and virtually has no chance of winning, because it is impossible for other players to check the results of any team-match in which they are not directly involved.
- As the league is a team competition, players must be present throughout the matches so as to avoid any occurrence of walk-over which will affect the overall result of the team.
- All players should have idle time between matches for their own good.

The Institute reserves the right to change the format, schedule and rules of the league as and when required without prior notice.

Register as a Table Tennis Interest Group (TTIG) member

HKICPA members can join the TTIG for free and will receive the latest news and enjoy priority entry to the group's activities. Simply visit the HKICPA homepage > login to "myCPA" > Application > Faculty/Interest Group Application > Add Sports and Recreation Interest Group > Table Tennis Interest Group.

Membership of sports and recreation interest group is FREE OF CHARGE, and each member can join up to 5 sports and recreational interest groups.

Terms for Enrolment in Sports IG Activities:

Any enrolment in the activity is based on the participant's assessment that s/he is fit to participate and the assumption of all the risks and hazards inherent in the said activity. The participant agrees not to hold HKICPA or the convenor of the interest group liable for any loss or damage that the participant may suffer as a result of the participation.

The participant further agrees to follow the instructions from trainers (if any) and observe the <u>Event</u> <u>Participation Guidance</u>. Any failure to follow such instructions will result in the participant's exclusion from the activity. The convenor of the interest group or trainer (if any) may determine, in the interests of safety or other considerations, whether an activity shall continue or whether a particular participant is allowed to continue to participate.

Notes:

- 1. Registration is on a first-come first-served basis. Priority entry will be offered to Table Tennis Interest Group members and then to non-TTIG HKICPA members.
- 2. This event is subject to cancellation should the minimum number is not reached.
- 3. The Institute has the discretion to accept late enrolments after the closing deadline as it sees fit.
- 4. Unless the activity is cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances, low enrollment or bad weather, no refund for withdrawal will be entertained after the enrollment has been processed.
- 5. Bad weather arrangement: The activity will be cancelled if typhoon signal no. 8 or above / Black Rainstorm Warning is hoisted at or after 12:00 noon on the date of the activity.
- 6. The Institute reserves the right to change the venue and date of the course due to unforeseen circumstances.

Personal Data:

Your personal data collected from the enrolment process and administration of courses/events/activities will be used for the purpose of the administration of the course/event/activity on which you are enrolled ("Event"). Such data collected may be accessible by the Institute's officers, persons or committees processing the application and related matters. In addition, the Institute may use the collected data for statistical research and analysis. By submitting this Enrolment Form, you understand and agree that the Institute may provide your personal data above to co-organizers/service providers in or outside Hong Kong for the purpose relating to the Event. The Institute intends to use the personal data of your name, email address and correspondence address to inform you, where relevant, of members' benefits, goods, services, facilities and events organized or provided by the Institute or other organizations. Members and registered students may opt out of receiving such materials at any time by logging in via the following link http://mas.hkicpa.org.hk/mycpa/communication/preference. Non-members may opt out of receiving such materials at any time by logging in via the following link http://www.hkicpa.org.hk/en/service-tools/privacy-policy/.