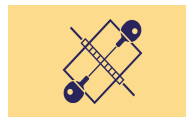




PARIS 2024 TABLE TENNIS

SPORT SPECIFIC INFORMATION



1. Introduction

- The **Paris 2024 Table Tennis Explanatory Guide**, which will be published by the Organising Committee, is the official document that provides a variety of information to help teams in their planning and preparation for the Games.
- The purpose of this Sport Specific Information, produced by ITTF, is to serve as a helping tool covering additional sport specific details.

2. Events

Individual Events	Men's Singles Women's Singles Mixed Doubles
Team Events	Men's Teams Women's Teams

3. Men's and Women's Singles

Number of athletes	Maximum of 70 athletes Not more than two (2) athletes from the same National Olympic Committee (NOC).
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System of play	Knockout (single elimination) format with bronze medal match. All matches shall be the best of seven (7) games.
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Draw & Seeding	<p>The 16 July 2024 ITTF Table Tennis World Ranking, Men's and Women's Singles, will be used for seeding purposes. The draw will be conducted based on the Singles seeding and according to 3.6 of the ITTF Statutes.</p> <p>The singles events follow a direct elimination format. The top 32 seeded players are drawn directly into the round of 64. The remainder of the draw depends on the number of players in the event:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• If there are 64 or fewer players, the remaining players (players seeded 33 up) will be drawn into any remaining position, subject to byes being allocated first• If there are more than 64 players in the event, the remainder of the draw is conducted as follows:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ The next 16 players (seeded 33 to 48) are drawn directly into any remaining position.○ The players seeded 49 to 64 are drawn into the preliminary round (16 matches) into the top place of each match. The remaining players are then drawn into the preliminary round into the bottom place of each match. Any players, who do not have opponents, and the winners of the preliminary round matches, will advance to the round of 64. <p>In all draws, players from the same NOC must be drawn into opposite halves of the draw.</p>
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4. Mixed Doubles

Number of athletes	Maximum of 16 pairs Not more than one (1) pair from the same NOC.
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System of play	Knockout (single elimination) format with bronze medal match. All matches shall be the best of seven (7) games.
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Draw & Seeding	<p>The 16 July 2024 ITTF Table Tennis World Ranking, Mixed Doubles Pairs, will be used for seeding purposes.</p> <p>The draw will be conducted based on the Mixed Doubles seeding and according to 3.6 of the ITTF Handbook.</p>
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5. Men's and Women's Teams

Number of teams	Maximum of 16 teams
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Not more than one (1) team from the same NOC.

Three (3) athletes per team, but a team of two athletes is allowed to participate in the team match if the third athlete is absent due to injury, illness or disqualification.

System of play Knockout (single elimination) format with bronze medal match.

Team Playing System Each team match consists of **five individual matches** (maximum 1 doubles and 4 singles matches)

BC vs YZ Doubles

A vs X Singles

C vs Z Singles

A vs Y Singles

B vs X Singles

Each individual match is the best of five (5) games.

The team match finishes when one team has won a majority of the possible individual matches.

Before the start of the match, the team that wins the toss shall choose to be either the ABC team or the XYZ team.

After choosing ABC or XYZ team, the captain nominates the athletes for all individual matches.

There will be no break during the team match.

Draw & Seeding The 2024 July ITTF World Team Ranking, to be published on the 16th July 2024, will be used for seeding purposes.
The draw will be conducted based on the Team seeding and according to 3.6 of the ITTF Handbook.

6. Multi-ball play

All matches at the Olympic Games will be played with multi-ball.

7. Draws

The draws will be conducted based on the ITTF Table Tennis World Ranking Lists published on 16 July 2024.

Date: 24 July 2024

Time: 17:00

Location: Press Conference Room in SP4

8. Clothing and equipment

- All clothing and equipment worn or used by table tennis athletes and other participants in the Olympic Table Tennis competition **must comply** with the:
 - 2024 ITTF Statutes Regulations | [English](#)
 - General Guidelines Regarding Authorised Identifications OG Paris 2024 | [English](#)
 - Table Tennis Guidelines Regarding Authorised Identifications OG Paris 2024 | [English](#) – [French](#)
- The General and Table Tennis Guidelines Regarding Authorised Identifications applies for the training and warm-up clothing as well as the victory ceremonies.
- Each athlete must have at least two (2) shirts in different colours. The athletes participating in team events must have at least two (2) shirts in different colours, but all the athletes of the team must be dressed uniformly.
- For mixed doubles, the pair must be dressed uniformly.
- The name of the athlete and the three-letter code kept within 1/3 of the shirts' width) * or full spelling of the country (kept within 1/2 of the shirts' width)* must be printed on the back of each shirt.
- The NOC emblem or national flag may also appear in the front of the shirt or on one of the sleeves.

* Example:



Shirt's Width	72 cm	72 cm	Shirt's Width
NOC Code 1/3 of the shirt's width	24 cm	36 cm	FULL Country Name 1/2 of the shirt's width



9. Mixed zone

- All athletes and coaches must leave the field of play through the mixed zone.

10. Press conferences

- All athletes must attend press conferences to be held at the Competition Venue after each medal event or as warranted by an outstanding performance or at the request of an NOC, Paris 2024 or ITTF.
- If an athlete does not want to take part in a press conference, this will be considered as unsporting behaviour.

11. Protests and appeals

Appeals will be decided according to section 3.3.3 of the ITTF Statutes Regulations for International Competitions.

12. Absence or replacement of an athlete in team matches

General Principles

- If an athlete is not able to play a match due to injury or illness, he or she will forfeit the match but he or she can participate in his or her subsequent matches of the team match.
- If an athlete is not able to play, the team may continue the competition with two athletes. If an NOC has a "P" accreditation, an athlete can be replaced if requested at least 2 hours before the next team match. "P" accreditation does NOT apply for replacing disqualified athletes.

Procedure when a team has only 2 athletes.

- A team of two athletes is allowed to participate in the team matches if the third athlete of the team is injured, sick or disqualified and no alternate athlete is available (in the case of injury or illness; no replacement is allowed for a disqualified athlete).
- Before the start of the match, the team winning the toss chooses either to be the ABC team or the XYZ team and the two team captains decide the order of athletes. The team with the injured, ill or disqualified athlete will lose the match/es supposed to be played by this athlete automatically by walkover following the established order of matches. The final result of the team match will be the played matches scored plus walkover matches scored.



Procedure when both teams have only 2 athletes.

- The competition format will be as follows:

AB vs XY	Doubles
A vs X	Singles
B vs Y	Singles

- If both teams have only two athletes participating in the team match, the team match will end when one team has won a majority of the possible matches, and this team will be declared the winner of this team match (2:0 or 2:1).

Replacement of an athlete in a table tennis team

- An NOC can replace an athlete if it has a "P" athlete available and requests the replacement at least 2 hours before the next team match.
 - In case of replacement, the accreditation of the athlete replaced will be cancelled.
 - The "P" athlete can only activate the new accreditation and compete in the team events once the accreditation of the athlete being replaced has been cancelled. The use of the "P" accreditation is to be decided in agreement with the IOC.

13. Disqualification

- Special rules for disqualification during the Olympic Games:

Disqualification: general principles

- The referee has the authority to disqualify an athlete from a match, a team match, an event or a competition for seriously unfair or offensive behaviour, whether reported by the umpire or not; as the referee does so, he or she will hold up a red card.
- If an athlete is disqualified from 2 matches of the team event, he or she will automatically be disqualified from that team event.
- The referee may disqualify for the remainder of a competition anyone who has been sent away twice from the playing area during that competition.

Disqualification of an athlete

- If a member of a team is found to have committed a violation of the ITTF Anti-Doping Rules the team will be disqualified from the event and any title, medal, points and prize will be withdrawn.
- Except for anti-doping violations, if an athlete is disqualified from:
 - a match of a team match, he or she will forfeit the match but can participate in his or her subsequent matches of the team match. The final result of the forfeited match should be 3:0 DSQ.
 - a team match, he or she will forfeit all the matches scheduled for him or her to play in the team match but is allowed to participate in the subsequent team matches of his or her team.
 - two team matches or from the event, he or she will not be allowed to participate in the subsequent team matches of his or her team, but the other two athletes of the team are entitled to continue the competition.
 - the competition, he or she is no longer considered a member of the team. The team may continue the competition with two athletes. The athlete will not be allowed to participate in any event of the tournament.

14. Specific rules for team events: Withdrawal of a team

- The team will be considered as withdrawn from the team match if it does not start the first match of a team match (walkover).
- If a team is disqualified or withdraws after the draw but before the start of the competition: the team will not be replaced.
- If a team is disqualified or withdraws during or after the competition:
 - during a scheduled team match. The opposing team will advance to the next round.



- after the results of a team match have been approved. The team will lose the last team match by forfeit. The team disqualified will not be ranked, the ranks of the remaining teams will be adjusted accordingly, and the ranks of the teams that have already finished the competition will be shifted up.

15. Paris Local Organising Committee (POGOC) – Table Tennis Manager

- The Paris 2024 Table Tennis Manager, staff of the Paris 2024 Organising Committee for the Olympic Games, is responsible for all organisational and logistical matters of the table tennis competition including the field of play.

16. International Technical Officials (ITOs) - Scope of responsibility and line of authority

Jury

Chair

Jury Chair (1)

Members

Jury Deputy Chair (1)

Continental Representatives (5)

Technical Delegates (2)

Referee (1) *no vote*

Jury Chair

- The Jury Chair will chair the meetings of the Jury and will schedule the duty roster of the Jury members.
- The Jury Chair shall not have a vote at Jury meetings. In case of a tied vote, the Chair shall have the deciding vote.
- The Jury Chair shall report all Jury decisions to the ITTF Executive Board (EB). In turn, the ITTF EB, through its Secretary General, shall report any sanctions to the IOC Executive Board.

Jury Members

- At least two Jury members shall be on duty at all sessions of the table tennis competition.
- Jury members shall attend meetings called by the Jury Chair, examine appeals, determine sanctions and have the right to vote. They may use video recording of any TV match in their deliberations.
- The quorum for the Jury shall be six Jury members in attendance, not counting the Chair
- The Referee shall have the right to speak but not to vote.

Technical Delegates

- The Technical Delegates shall advise and assist the Paris 2024 Table Tennis Manager and the Referee in all their functions.
- The Technical Delegates shall attend the Jury meeting and have the right to vote.
- The Technical Delegates shall supervise the draws and sign-off the final version of the draw and schedule.

Referee, Deputy Referees and Umpires

- The responsibilities of the Referee, the Deputy Referees and the Umpires are according to ITTF regulations.

17. Clarifications

- To avoid doubt, the Referee shall not be a member of the Jury if a decision under appeal was made by the Referee. The Referee shall explain the case to the Jury, but the Jury's deliberations shall take place without the presence of the Referee.
- An appeal of a decision made by the Referee can only be made after the completion of a match and within 30 minutes of the conclusion of the match.
- The Jury Chair cannot be in attendance at all times. Therefore, he will assign the responsibility to the two Jury members on duty to receive any protest or appeal. The Jury members on duty will then contact the Jury Chair, all members of the Jury (using ITTF or Paris 2024 staff) and convene the Jury meeting. The Jury meeting will start when both the Jury Chair and a quorum are present.
- Information regarding a sanction or disqualification of an athlete shall not be given to the media until the decision is final and ready for transmission to the IOC Executive Board.



- If a matter is not covered by this document, then the necessary procedure will be implemented by consensus between the Technical Delegates, the Paris 2024 Table Tennis Manager, the Jury Chair and the ITTF President (or her designate).

18. APPENDIX 1: REPLACEMENTS: PROCEDURES AND DEADLINES

- The deadline for the Final Entries list of participating athletes in the Olympic Games Paris 2024 (sport entries deadline) is 8 July 2024 at 23:59 France time (UTC+1).
- After the sport entries deadline, where there are medical conditions preventing participation of an athlete, proven Anti-Doping Rule Violation (ADRV), isolation or quarantine due to an infection or other exceptional reasons, the IOC, after consultation with the relevant IF and IOC medical experts (when deemed appropriate by the IOC), may authorise a permanent replacement of an athlete by another athlete only in the same sport and discipline and event.
- This policy is only applicable for those sports/disciplines where the quota place has been allocated to the NOC and not to an athlete by name.
- For those sports/disciplines in which the quota place is allocated to an athlete by name the reallocation procedure will be initiated as per the Late Athlete Replacement (LAR) procedure and in accordance with the respective Qualification System.
- After 8th July, a LAR can be accepted if the process is completed and approved by Paris 2024 and IOC no later 16:00 hours on 24th July; time and date of the Team Leaders Meeting. This includes both the submission of all relevant documentation by the NOC, and the verification and approval by Paris 2024 and IOC. LAR applies to team quota players and to “P” players. The entire process has to be completed before 16:00 hours on 24th July.

19. General Disclaimer

- This document is a helping tool, covering sport specific details and does not replace the official Paris 2024 Table Tennis Explanatory Guide.
- All information provided in this document was correct at the time of publication, but some details may need to be updated prior to the Games.
- The ITTF Statutes valid at the time will be used.

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