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Team Managers Information

Introduction of the Event Management and Referee Team

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SANDMO	Benny	SWE	Deputy Referee
LAU	Pub Taai	SGP	Deputy Referee

Equipment

Tables, Nets, and Post: DHS Gold Rainbow for Showcourts,
T1223 for other courts (blue)

Balls: Butterfly A40+ *** (white):

Sports Flooring: GERFLOR (red)

Events

Men's Team;

Women's Team;

Playing system

The Championships shall include men's team and women's team events.

A division format will be used, with 24 teams in the 1st division (Championships Division), 24 teams in the 2nd division, and 24 teams in the 3rd division.

The playing system for the 1st Division (Championship Division) will be as follows:

Each group of 6 teams shall play a complete round robin competition (5 matches per team). Following the completion of the round robin in each group, the winners of each group (4 teams) will move directly into the quarter final round (they have a bye in the round of 16) and be seeded accordingly (winner of Group "A" seeded 1st, winner of Group "B" seeded 2nd, winners of Groups "C" and "D" drawn randomly into positions (3).

The teams placing 2nd in the groups will then be drawn randomly in positions (5) into the Round of 16.

The teams placing 3rd in the groups will then be drawn randomly in positions (9) into the Round of 16, with the exception that teams having played against each other in the group stage shall not meet again in the first round of the knock-out competition.





The teams placing 4th, 5th and 6th in the groups (12 teams) will play-off for positions 13 to 24 (draw of 12 teams, using the same system as the top 12 teams - round of 16 with byes to each of the teams placing 4th).

The play-off rounds (final draws) will be played according to a single knock-out system, with the exception that the final match for positions 13 and 14 need not be played.

The playing system for Division 2 will be identical.

The playing system for Division 3 will be identical with the exception that teams having played against each other in the group stage shall not meet again in the first or second round of the knock-out competition, and first round losers will play one additional positional match.

The World Champion team could play a maximum of 9 matches and a minimum of 8 matches. All teams could play a maximum of 9 matches and are guaranteed to play at least 6 matches.

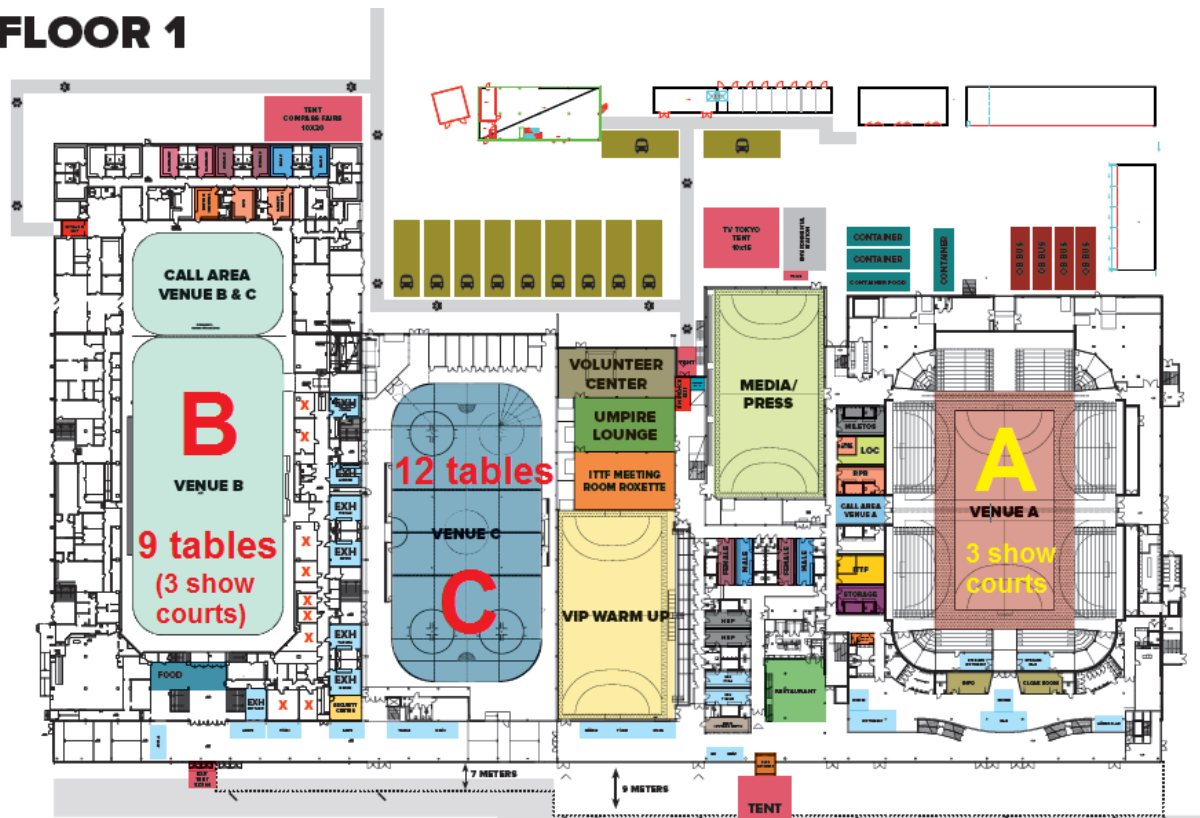
The winner of 1st Division shall be the World Champion. In 1st Division the winning team shall receive gold medals, the runner-up silver medals and the 2 losing semi-finalists bronze medals.

In Divisions 2 and 3 winning teams (Division Champions No. 25 and 49) shall be given medals or awards.

The order of play shall be **A - X, B - Y, C - Z, A - Y, B - X**, and the match shall end when a team has won 3 individual matches, each the best of 5 games.

The Venue

FLOOR 1



There are three competition halls (Hall A – Main Hall, Hall B, and Hall C) and VIP Practice Hall (for teams playing in the Main Hall only) under the same roof, quite close to each other. There are two Racket Control Centers (RCC) near the Main Hall and near Halls B and C. For pre-match procedures, there are two Call Areas: one for the Main Hall and second one for the Halls B and C.

There is also a Practice Hall located in ca. 100 m from the Venue.

Schedule

Provisional schedule is available in ITTF website

Call area

During this tournament, Call Area is set up in Main Hall. Second Call Area is set up for the Hall B and Hall C. Call Area functions are as follows

- Team match draw
- Racket testing
- Check of the colour of the shirts and shorts (skirts) that are brought by the players before their next match
- Check of the back numbers
- Ball selection

The indicated time-limits below (clothing, racket deposit and control, ball choice) are to be strictly observed; no exceptions will be made.

Procedures in the call area

Draw for team events:

- **60** minutes before the start of the match; winner receives also a right to choose the bench if necessary
- The waiting time is 5 minutes; a team late loses the right to choose. Return time (for coaches to return toss sheets) is latest 45 minutes for the match. If the filled toss sheet is not returned on time to match umpires, the umpire put players in order A, B,C (or X, Y, Z) = RUS1, RUS2, RUS3, respectively.

Colour of the cloths

- 60 minutes before the match the players should show their match shirts and shorts or skirts) and back numbers.
- The 2 opposing teams must wear shirts of clearly different main colours
- Main colour will be registered on the score sheet
- The team, which did not present the shirt in the call area, must immediately change the shirt in case of a colour clash.
- The team must be dressed uniformly with possible exception for shoes and socks

Racket Testing

- The team has the right to deposit their rackets at the call area 30 minutes before their team match.
- The team can decide to deposit the rackets of all players before the start of the match or decide that each player deposits his own racket before his individual match (First player - 30 minutes before his match, second player – before start of first individual match, third player – before start of second individual match)
- Umpires will perform the racket inspection in the call area/racket control room
- Umpire will register on the score sheet:
racket control (y/n), before or after the match
- The racket will be kept in the call area and the umpire of the match will hand the racket to the players at the table.
- Rackets will no longer be checked in the playing area.
- **Rackets not being forwarded to the call area before the match**
 - **will be tested afterwards (after match test). The players are required to pick up the rackets from corresponding RCC (adjusted to the Main Hall**



or to Halls B&C, ca. 30 minutes after the team match

- The umpire will be informed about the after match-test and will only check any other irregularities (are the racket coverings damaged) at the table.

Ball selection

- Each team may choose 3 balls (in 1st Division) or 2 balls (2nd and 3rd Divisions) 45 minutes before match starting time
- If both captains agree about balls (1st, 2nd, 3rd,...), the umpire will use them in the decided order, adding 3/2 balls randomly.
- If both captains selected 3/2 balls each but cannot agree on order, the umpire will take the ball randomly among balls selected by players.
- If one captain only comes for the ball selection, the umpire takes these 3/2 balls for the match, and adds randomly 3/2 more balls to the bottom of the ball box.
- If no captains selects a ball, the umpire will take balls

Marching-in and presentation

Main Hall (Hall A)

From the first day of the competition, there will be presentation with marching-in procedure in the Main Hall. Players (only 3 persons nominated for the match per team) are required to be in respective Call Area 15 minutes before the match. All players and umpires having matches in the Main Hall will march-in together (if previous match at their table is finished).

Hall B

Hall B is divided in 2 parts with 3 Tables in one part and 6 Tables in the second half. There will be presentation in the Hall B for matches of the Championship Division. Same procedure with the Hall A. There will be internet streaming for all tables in the Hall B.

Hall C

There will be no presentation in the Hall C. Players (teams) are required to be in the court at the scheduled time.

Coaches

In teams, only one coach (Men's Head Coach or Women's Head Coach, respectively) and up to four players may stay at the bench assuming that one more player is in the court. Nobody else may present at the bench except doctors or physiotherapists in emergency case.

Doctors

There will be special seats for physiotherapists or doctors (1 per team).

Video

Each team may have one video camera to record their matches only.

Practice

There will be no practice in the Halls A and B. Teams playing in the Main Hall can practice in the VIP-Practice Hall where certain tables will be allocated for teams having matches in the Main Hall. The teams playing in Hall A and B will get dedicated practice tables before their matches (in total 3 hours from 1h30 minutes before time of the match)





In the Hall C there will be practice before morning sessions. Practice will be also possible in the Practice Hall and also in the Hall C during the day only with permission of a referee on duty (providing that on tables nearby there are no matches still in play).

Mixed zone

All players playing have to leave the playing area through the Mixed Zone.

Discipline

We believe and hope that during the LIEBHERR 2018 World Team Table Tennis Championships there will be no serious misbehaviour which may bring the sport into disrepute. We kindly ask all Players, Coaches and Delegates to refrain of any kind of misbehaviour.

Special case: if a player playing a team match is disqualified from the entire team match, he or she cannot be substituted by another player.

Coach or an adviser who has been sent out cannot seat on the tribune nearest to the match.

ITTF Ranking Default Policy

ITTF Ranking Default Policy will be applied to the LIEBHERR 2018 World Team Table Tennis Championships.

Appeals

No appeal may be made to the referee against a decision on a question of fact by the responsible match official or to the management committee on a question of interpretation of Laws or Regulations by the referee.

An appeal may be made to the referee against a decision of a match official on a question of interpretation of Laws or Regulations, and the decision of the referee shall be final.

An appeal may be made to the Jury against a decision of the referee on a question of tournament or match conduct not covered by the Laws or Regulations, and the decision of the Jury shall be final.

In case of any disagreement about the results, a written protest shall be lodged within 60 minutes after the match the captain in teams events are qualified to lodge a protest.

If you have any questions or comments/complaints, please don't hesitate to contact me.

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