

The Technical Officials Committee (hereafter 'the committee') shall be an operational committee of Table Tennis England ('TTE'), responsible to Head of Development and Volunteering.

Purpose

The purpose of the committee shall be:

- To appoint technical officials for domestic and international competitions
- To support the recruitment and development of technical officials
- To support the delivery of the TTE Officiating strategy

Composition

The Chair of the committee shall be an appointed role.

The Members of the committee shall be in an advisory role to support the governance of Table Tennis England.

There will be a minimum of six members and a maximum of 10 members at any one time.

All members of the committee whose appointed role is not representative in nature shall fulfil their position in furtherance of the general objectives of the committee.

All members of the committee shall be current Table Tennis England members. A member of the committee whose Table Tennis England membership has lapsed shall no longer be a member of the committee.

All members of the committee shall adhere to the Nolan principals of Selflessness, Integrity, Objectivity, Accountability, Openness, Honesty and Leadership.

There are four sub committees (Tournament Management Officials; 2022 Commonwealth Games selection panel; Umpire selection panel; Referee and Review Management Panel) as part of TOC, the Chair of each will sit on the TOC. The members of the sub committees will be appointed in consultation with TOC and the Head of Development and Volunteering.

The member of staff responsible for the operational delivery of the officiating strategy will sit on the TOC committee, in addition or as a deputy to the Head of Development and Volunteering.

Appointments

The Chair shall be appointed by the Board for a tenure of 2 years.

Members shall be appointed by the Chair of TOC, with approval from the Head of Development and Volunteering for a tenure of 2 years.

All members including the Chair may serve for a maximum of tenure of 4 consecutive terms, unless exceptionally agreed by Board. All members including the Chair will be eligible for reappointment after a 2 year break.

Including the Chair, no less than 50% of members at any time shall be identified via open advertisement.

<A diversity statement shall be added here following a review of the TTE Diversity Action Plan>

A register shall be maintained by Table Tennis England detailing committee members, tenure, appointment process and other relevant information.

Meetings

The committee shall meet at least twice a year, either virtually or physically

The quorum of the meeting shall be 50%+1

Minutes of each meeting shall be produced and maintained and sent to all committee members, the Head of Development and Volunteering, the Head of Competition and Events and the Competitions Manager.

Committee members shall be entitled to claim from Table Tennis England such out of pocket expenses as are legitimately incurred in furtherance of agreed committee business, in line with the Table Tennis England volunteer expenses policy.

Responsibilities

1. To support the delivery of the Table Tennis England officiating strategy and ensure selections and decisions are aligned to the strategy
2. To support the organisation of courses and seminars for the recruitment, retention and training of technical officials, including working with the Table Tennis England representative to identify locations of courses and appoint tutors and assessors.
3. To appoint officials (referees and umpires) to national and hosted events as required by the TTE Competitions & Events Dep't
4. To nominate umpires and referees to fulfil invitations to foreign events.
5. To arbitrate on behalf of the Board on questions of rule interpretation relating to play.
6. To provide support in maintaining records of qualified technical officials



7. To work with the Tournament Approval Panel in support of its terms of reference

Reporting

The committee shall report via Head of Development and Volunteering who shall be responsible for relaying items of note within the Table Tennis England governance and staff structures, and/ or progressing process and policy considerations as required.

These Terms of Reference will be reviewed biennially.