

2021-2022 Mark Bates Ltd Senior National Championship

Reference Document

General Information

Date: Friday 25th – Sunday 27th March 2022
Venue: David Ross Sports Village, University of Nottingham, Beeston Ln, Nottingham, NG7 2RD
Entry Date: Midnight on Sunday 6th March
Entry Fee: £36 for singles, £30 for doubles
Draw Date: w/c 14th March for Doubles and Under 21's
Thursday 24th March @ 10:30 – Men's and Women's Singles

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1. Authority

The English Table Tennis Association shall organize the National Championships
President: Mrs. Jill Parker MBE

2. Table Tennis England Board

Mrs. Sandra DEATON, Chairman
Mrs. Susie VENNERS, Elected Director
Mr. Don PARKER, Elected Director
Mr. Ritchie VENNERS, Elected Director#
Mr. Adrian CHRISTY, Table Tennis England CEO
Mr. Kwadjo ADJEPONG, Appointed Director
Mr. Simon GRIEW, Appointed Director
Mr. Ray JAMES, Appointed Director
Mr. Steve KEMISH, Appointed Director
Mr. Tom PURCELL, Appointed Director
Ms. Priya SAMUEL, Appointed Director
Dr Emma VICKERS, Appointed Director

3. Tournament Director

Should you have any queries regarding this event please contact:

Tournament Director: Mr. Neil Rogers neil.rogers@tabletennisengland.co.uk

4. Officials

Referee: Mr. Stuart Sherlock (IR) (ENG)
Deputy Referee: Mr. David Goulden (NR) (ENG)
Assistant Referee: Mr. Jason Ramage (TR) (ENG)
Umpires Manager: Mrs. Karen Tonge MBE, (IR) (ENG)
Field of Play Manager: Mr. Jim Kenny (TO4)
Field of Play Assistant: Mr. Brian Jackson (TO4)
Technical Operation: Mr. Chris Newton

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5. Events

The following Championship events will take place:

Men's Singles	Women's Singles	
Men's Doubles	Women's Doubles	Mixed Doubles
U21 Men's Singles (born 2001 or later)	U21 Women's Singles (born in 2001 or later)	

The following non-Championship events will take place:

Para Mixed classes 3-5	Para Mixed classes 6-10	
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6. Formats

Singles Categories - The format will be group stages (comprising of 8 groups of 3 players, with 1 player qualifying) played to the best of 5 games, followed by knock-out matches played to the best of 7 games, 11 up. The top 8 seeds will get a bye to the last 16 stages.

U21's Categories – The format will be group stages (comprising of 4 groups of 3 players, with 1 player qualifying) played to the best of 5 games, followed by knock-out matches played to the best of 5 games, 11 up. The top 4 seeds will get a bye to the quarter final stages.

Doubles Categories - Matches will be played on a knockout basis, played to the best of 5 games, 11 up, and will involve 16 pairs for each category.

Para Showcase Finals - Matches will be played as a showcase final between two players, selected by BPTT. Both finals players to the best of 5 games, 11 up.

Para qualifications:

Classes 3-5 are for physical impairment (sitting), class 1 being the most severely affected and class 5 having the most physical functionality.

Classes 6-10 are for physical impairment (standing), class 6 being the most severe and class 10 the least.

These are set by the International Paralympic Committee.

Schedule Outline:

Friday AM: Men's and Women's U21's to Final

Friday PM: Men's and Women's Singles – Group Stages

Friday Eve: Mixed Doubles to Final

Saturday: Men's and Women's Doubles to Semi Finals
Men's and Women's Singles to Quarter Finals

Sunday: Men's and Women's Singles Semi Final & Final
Men's and Women's Doubles Final
Para 3-5 Class Showcase Final
Para 6-10 Class Showcase Final

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7. Weighting

These events carry a Table Tennis England ranking weighting of x2.25.

8. Invitations

Table Tennis England will invite eligible ranked players:

Senior rankings: 1 to 16 Men and Women on the Table Tennis England 22/6 2022 ranking list, published 9th February 2022. A further 1-14 Men and Women who qualified at the Mark Bates Ltd Senior National Qualification event will be included, and in addition 2 wildcards per singles category will be selected. Should an athlete decline their invitation, the next eligible player listed in order, from the Mark Bates Ltd Senior National Qualifying event will be invited up to player number 32. If places remain after all qualifying places have been used, then remaining places will be offered to eligible players on the 22/6 ranking list, from 17 up to and including place 50.

U21 categories: 14 Men and 14 Women will gain an invitation and 2 wildcards. Should an U21 athlete decline their invitation, the next eligible player listed in order from the 22/6 Ranking List will be invited up to player number 35

Para Players: Table Tennis England will invite Para players based on BPTT selection, which is at the sole discretion of BPTT, and Para players must also be current TTE members.

Athletes can only compete in the singles event which they have been invited.

It will be at the discretion of the Table Tennis England panel to select further players if the maximum entry hasn't been reached. Players cancelling after the acceptance of their entry will forfeit their entry fee unless their withdrawal is due to a medical reason (a medical note may be required) or other exceptional circumstances at the discretion of the Tournament Director.

9. Eligibility

Table Tennis England will only invite athletes for the above event who:

- Are affiliated to Table Tennis England, holding a valid Table Tennis England Player Licence and in good standing.
- Are eligible to represent England in ITTF and ETTU approved competitions and have valid proof of British Citizenship.
- Are not currently under disqualification or suspension under the rules of Table Tennis England or ITTF & ETTU.
- Are not currently serving any sanction for an anti-doping rule violation under any relevant anti-doping rules.

10. Timing

Invitations are to be sent after the publication of the 22/6, 9th February 2022 Table Tennis England Ranking List and we will endeavor to complete invitations in a timely manner to allow athletes to enter the event, subject to them completing the relevant forms and payment. Please ensure that you complete, return and make your payment promptly, in order for your entry to be accepted.

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11. Withdrawal of invitation

Table Tennis England retains the right to withdraw an invitation from an athlete under any of the following circumstances:

- The athlete is no longer eligible for this event
- Any exceptional circumstances, which in the reasonable opinion of Table Tennis England, justifies the withdrawal of the athlete concerned.

Any athlete who is withdrawn will immediately be notified of the decision and the reason.

12. Prize Fund

The tournament will be offering prize money in each of the competition categories. The prize money on offer for the tournament will be as below:

Category	Winner	Runner-Up	Losing Semi-Finalists	Losing Quarter-Finalists	Total
Men's Singles	£800	£400	£200 (x2)	£95 (x4)	£1,980
Women's Singles	£800	£400	£200 (x2)	£95 (x4)	£1,980
Under 21 Men's Singles	£100	£50	£25 (x2)	n/a	£200
Under 21 Women's Singles	£100	£50	£25 (x2)	n/a	£200
Men's Doubles	£150 each	£80 each	£35 each (x2)	n/a	£600
Women's Doubles	£150 each	£80 each	£35 each (x2)	n/a	£600
Mixed Doubles	£100 each	£50 each	£25 each (x2)	n/a	£400
Total Prize Fund					5,960

An appearance fee related to the Para category events will be agreed with BPTT

Trophies & Medals

Competitors should note that Table Tennis England retain the ownership of all Perpetual Trophies but each winner will continue to receive a medal as currently provided. If a player requests permission to retain a trophy for a period of time, this is acceptable providing the player signs a guarantee of safe return form.

13. Equipment

Table: **Butterfly Europa and Centerfold 25mm top**

Nets & Posts: **Butterfly**

Balls: **Butterfly R40+ 3* plastic ball (white)**

Flooring: **Triofloor**

The tournament will be played on 6 tables on Friday and Saturday, reducing to one table on Sunday, courts minimum Size 12m x 6m, with 8 practice tables available back of house on Fri/ Sat, and 2 on Sunday.

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14. Anti-doping

Anti-doping testing will be carried out through this event, randomly selected according to ITTF regulations.

15. Racket testing

Racket tests will be implemented at this event, randomly selected according to ITTF World regulations.

16. Sunday Format

Sunday matches will use International standard pre-match procedures, and multi-ball will also be in operation. There will be on-court presentations between Sunday's matches

17. Closing Date:

Please ensure that you complete, return and make your payment promptly, in order for your entry to be accepted. In the event that the player does not submit their completed application on time, the Tournament Director (or their representative) may offer their place to the next eligible player. **Closing date for entries: Midnight, Sunday 6th March 2022.**

18. Covid Restrictions & Directives

The health and wellbeing of all our players, volunteers, suppliers and staff remain the key priority of Table Tennis England during this period of uncertainty. We will continue to update and implement any protocols in response to Government/ DCMS guidelines and directives as they unfold.

All players, coaches and spectators will be encouraged to take lateral flow tests in advance of arriving at the venue, to protect themselves and others in attendance.

All COVID protocols and guidance issued by Table Tennis England will be followed that can be found on the Table Tennis England Website at the time of competition

19. Consent & Acknowledgement

Consent and acknowledgement for U'18s This form is to be completed in respect of any player who is aged 17 and under, and must be signed by the person having legal responsibility for the player. Please complete form in BLOCK CAPITALS.

I, the undersigned, having legal responsibility for the above named player. I confirm that I have read the Table Tennis England Anti-Doping Rules and Regulations (Appendix P) and that I hereby consent to the player being bound by these Rules and Regulations.

Parent/Guardian's name:

Parent/Guardian's address:

Parent/Guardian's signature:

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20. GDPR & Activity Consent Form

This form is to be completed for all players.

Individuals aged 16 or older may give consent for the processing of their personal data themselves. Table Tennis England require parental consent to process personal data for children under 16, including entries. Table Tennis England also require parental consent for children under 16 to take part in activity.

Table Tennis England uses the above information only for the purpose of administering the competition. To facilitate the running of the competition, the information will be shared with the appointed event committee/organisers in order that the event can be arranged and delivered. If you would like any further information please refer to the Table Tennis England's privacy policy which can be found at <https://tabletennisengland.co.uk/home/website-privacy-policy/>

I confirm I am the person named above or, if not, have been authorised to give Table Tennis England the above details. I am age 16 or over and have read, understood and agree with the way the data will be used by Table Tennis England.

Player name:

Player signature:

Date: