

REGULATION PART G: GRAND PRIX

28.7.23

This document cancels and replaces the issue dated 01.08.22

Note: While the current competition review is in progress it may be necessary for the Board to use its power to amend these regulations during the playing season.

1 GENERAL

- 1.1 A Grand Prix is a designated Open Tournament which is organised directly by, or on behalf of, Table Tennis England (TTE). Note: 'Open Tournament' is defined in Regulations Part B: Tournaments.
- 1.2 A Grand Prix held in England is termed a Main Grand Prix and one held in territory under the jurisdiction of another Association affiliated to the ITTF is termed a Satellite Grand Prix.
- 1.3 A Main Grand Prix must be played in accordance with the regulations for 3 star tournaments and a Satellite Grand Prix in accordance with at least the regulations for 2 star tournaments, together with the supplementary regulations set out below.

2 BANDS

- 2.1 All Grands Prix must adhere to the bands contained in Annex B.
- 2.2 Eligibility for Banded Events will be determined by players' ratings on the TTE Ratings List current at the closing date for entries.
- 2.3 Players can enter their own band and/or the one above. (For example, if only Bands 2, 4, 5 and 6 are being run, a Band 5 player can enter Band 4, but a Band 4 player cannot enter Band 2.)
- 2.4 Players who do not appear on the TTE Ratings List may be given a tournament dummy rating so that they are placed appropriately in the bands.

3 ENTRIES

- 3.1 Where an event is oversubscribed the Referee will keep a list of those players whose entries have been returned and those players will receive priority as "scratch entries", but they must report to the Referee before the event starts.
- 3.2 Only players whose entry has been returned will be accepted as "scratch entries" before the day of the event.
- 3.3 Where a group is incomplete owing to the non-arrival of a player originally drawn into that group, the Referee will offer the place(s) to any player who has reported at the venue on the day of the event, giving priority to any player whose entry was returned because the event was originally over-subscribed.
- 3.4 A player who takes such a scratch entry and who did not send in an entry form must pay a surcharge of £2 for the tournament as well as the normal entry fee.

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4 WITHDRAWAL

4.1 Withdrawal process and refund details will be published in the event documentation.

Annex A: Events

Men's Singles Women's Singles Men's Band 1 Singles Women's Band 1 Singles Men's Band 2 Singles Women's Band 2 Singles Men's Band 3 Singles

Women's Band 3 Singles

Men's Band 4 Singles

Women's Band 4 Singles

Men's Band 5 Singles

Men's Band 6 Singles

Under 21 Men's Singles

Under 21 Women's Singles

Veterans' Open Singles

Open Doubles <u>or Restricted Mixed Singles (21-39)</u> (players in this event may not enter the U21 or Veteran events.)

Note: A Satellite Grand Prix not being able to run all the banded events must not run consecutive bands omitting an end band, but must run alternate bands (e.g. 1, 3, 5) to give the largest spread of possible entrants. In such cases players may enter only 1 band. The Competitions and Events Manager can give permission for a Satellite Grand Prix to replace the standard events with events of its own choosing.

Annex B: Event Bands

Men's Band 1	1351 - 1600	Women's Band 1	<u> 1101 - 1400</u>
Men's Band 2	951 - 1350	Women's Band 2	<u>801 - 1100</u>
Men's Band 3	801 - 950	Women's Band 3	651 - 800
Men's Band 4	501 - 800	Women's Band 4	0 - 650
Men's Band 5	<u> 376 - 500</u>		
Men's Band 6	0 - 375		

Annex C: Entry Fees

The entry fees for each Grand Prix shall be stated on the entry form and published on the website.

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.Annex D: Prize Fund

Placing	1	2	3	4	Total
MS (entries below 84)	£320	£130	£65	£65	£580
MS (entries at 84 or over)	£500	£250	£100	£100	£950
WS (entries below 24)	£320	£130	£65	£65	£580
WS (entries at 24 or over)	£500	£250	£100	£100	£950
MB1	£130	£60			£190
MB2	£65	£30			£95
MB3	£65	£30			£95
MB4	£65	£30			£95
MB5	£65	£30			£95
MB6	£65	£30			£95
WB1	£130	£60			£190
WB2	£65	£30			£95
WB3	£65	£30			£95
WB4	£65	£30			£95
MU21	£65	£30			£95
WU21	£65	£30			£95
VOS	£65	£30			£95
DOUBLES	£65	£30			£190
TOTAL					up to £3,420

Note: The prize fund is fixed for a Main Grand Prix, except that TTE reserves the right to reduce the prize money in the Men's and Women's singles should entries fall below 16 per specific event; any such reduction would be proportional to the entry numbers.