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APPENDIX A to RULES: PLAYER LICENCE REGULATIONS (8th edition)

1 ALTERATIONS TO REGULATIONS

- 1.1 These Regulations may be altered only by the National Council.
- 1.2 Alterations will take effect from the date prescribed by National Council but shall not apply to existing Player Licences.

2 REQUIREMENT TO HOLD PLAYER LICENCE

- 2.1 Subject to Regulation 2.2 below, a player must hold an annual Player Licence (APL) to:
 - 2.1.1 play in the British League, the Women's British League, the Veterans' British League, the Junior British League and the Veterans' National League.
 - 2.1.2 play in the English National Championships, English Junior National Championships, an ETTA approved 2, 3, 4 or 5 Star Open Tournament, an ETTA Grand Prix Tournament, a Junior Masters Tournament, a Cadet Masters Tournament, the National Junior League, the National Cadet League, the National Regional Squad Championships or the final round of the National Junior Ranking Trials.
 - 2.1.3 be selected for an ETTA National Squad.
 - 2.1.4 appear in the published ETTA Ranking List.
- 2.2 A player affiliated to the Guernsey, Irish, Isle of Man, Irish, Jersey, Scottish or Welsh Associations need not hold a Player Licence to play in any competition listed in Regulations 2.1.1 or 2.1.2 for which he is eligible.
- 2.3 Any other player who does not hold a Player Licence may play in any competition listed in Regulation 2.1.2 for which he is eligible if
 - 2.3.1 he buys a Single Competition Licence on each occasion, or
 - 2.3.2 he provides proof of being affiliated to another National Association in membership of ITTF and is not affiliated to ETTA.
- 2.3 A player need not hold a Player Licence to play in Local League Competitions, National Knock-Out Competitions (as covered by Appendix 'F' to Rules), the County Table Tennis Championships, or ETTA Approved or 1 Star Open Tournaments.

3 PERIOD OF VALIDITY

- 3.1 A Player Licence shall be valid from the date of issue to the following 31st July.

4 FEES

- 4.1 The fees for a Player Licence and a Single Competition Licence shall be set according to a schedule to be decided by National Council and published before the end of the preceding Administrative Year.
- 4.2 Player Licence and Single Competition Licence fees shall be set for Cadets and Juniors, as defined in ETTA Rule 9 (2007/8), and for all other players.
- 4.3 10% of the Player Licence fee shall be paid to the player's County Association.

5 APPLICATION FOR PLAYER LICENCE

- 5.1 An application for a Player Licence shall be made in writing on the official application form and shall be accompanied by the appropriate fee.
- 5.2 The purchase of a Single Competition Licence for a competition listed in Regulation 2.1.1 or 2.1.2 shall be made in accordance with the regulations for that competition.

6 RESTRICTION OF PLAYER LICENCE

- 6.1 If during any period of 12 months a player incurs 5 yellow or red cards for misbehaviour the eligibility conferred by his Player Licence to play in the competitions listed in 2.1.1 and 2.1.2 will be suspended for a period of 3 months.
- 6.2 During such a period of suspension, a player may play in the competitions listed in 2.1.1 and 2.1.2 by buying a Single Competition Licence on each occasion.
- 6.3 If during such a period of suspension the player again incurs a yellow and/or red card, the remainder of that period will be cancelled and a new suspension period of 3 months will be imposed.
- 6.4 If a player incurs a yellow and/or red card during this new suspension period the remainder of the period will be cancelled but his eligibility to play in the competitions listed in 2.1.1 and 2.1.2 will be suspended for a further 3 months; during this further period he will not be allowed to buy a Single Competition Licence.
- 6.5 Once a 3 month suspension period has been completed without any further offence, the player's eligibility to play in the competitions listed in 2.1.1 and 2.1.2 will automatically be restored and the record of yellow and/or red cards incurred will be deleted.

Open Tournament Regulations

Page 1 of 3	“Approved”	1-Star	2-Star	3-Star	4-Star
Permission	Apply to Tournaments Committee Secretary for approval before advertising.	Apply to Tournaments Committee on Form OT1 during previous season.	As 1-Star.	As 1-Star.	As 1-Star.
Star Grading	Agreed with TC Secretary before event is advertised.	As “Approved”.	As “Approved”.	Formal TC approval required.	As 3-Star.
Organising Committee	Recommended.	As “Approved”.	Required.	As 2-Star.	As 2-Star.
Tournament Organiser	Required, and must be present and clearly identifiable at the event.	As “Approved”. Responsible to ETTA for observance of all the relevant Tournament Regulations.	As 1-Star.	As 1-Star.	As 1-Star.
Referee	Suitably experienced person whose identity is made known to all at the event.	Experienced in tournament administration and approved by Tournaments Committee.	TR or higher qualification with suitably experienced assistant.	NR or higher qualification assisted by a second qualified referee.	As 3-Star.
Competitors	Every entrant must sign a form agreeing to abide by the decisions of the Referee.	As “Approved”.	As “Approved”.	As “Approved”.	As “Approved”.
Applicable Rules	Laws of Table Tennis and ETTA Tournament Regulations.	As “Approved”	As “Approved” plus ITTF Regulations for International Competitions (except where indicated below).	As “Approved” plus ITTF Regulations for International Competitions.	As 3-Star.
Entry Form	Recommended. (Samples available from ETTA)	Required and must be submitted to Tournaments Committee for approval before printing. (Samples available from ETTA)	As 1-Star.	As 1-Star.	As 1-Star.
Restriction of Entries	Entries must be numbered on receipt. If it is necessary to restrict entries, this must be done on the “last received - first out” principle.	As “Approved”.	As “Approved”.	As “Approved”.	As “Approved”.

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Refusal of Entries	The Referee may refuse any entry as long as the reasons are clearly stated and reported at the time to the Tournaments Committee. The competitor may appeal to ETTA, whose decision is final.	As “Approved”.	As “Approved”.	As “Approved”.	As “Approved”.
Draw	Controlled by the Referee.	As “Approved”.	The date of the Draw must be specified in the Entry Form.	As 2-Star	As 2-Star.
Umpires		All matches to be controlled by an umpire, not necessarily qualified. Finals should be controlled by a qualified umpire.	As 1-Star, but finals shall be controlled by at least one qualified umpire.	Group matches as 1-Star. Rounds should be controlled by qualified umpires. Finals shall be controlled by qualified umpires.	All matches shall be under the control of a qualified umpire.
Finals			Should be staged on a “show court” after public announcement.	As 2-Star. Preferably no play on immediately adjacent tables.	As 3-Star. No play on immediately adjacent tables.
Draw Sheets	On display and updated regularly.	As “Approved”.	As “Approved”.	As “Approved”.	As “Approved”.
Programme			If possible, a programme with draw sheets should be supplied free of charge to all competitors.	Programme with draw sheets to be supplied free of charge to all competitors. Individual match times should be indicated.	As 3-Star.
Admission Charges	A separate charge may be made to spectators for admission to each session of play. Holders of ETTA Official Passes are entitled to free admission.	As “Approved”.	As “Approved”.	As “Approved”.	As “Approved”.
Organisers’ Return	Tournament results and details of entrants must be sent to the ETTA within seven days of the Tournament.	Tournament results and player levies (if applicable) must be sent to the ETTA within 7 days of the end of the Tournament together with any Day Licence fees.	Tournament results and player levies must be sent to the ETTA within 7 days of the end of the Tournament together with any Day Licence fees.	As 1-Star.	As 1-Star.

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Flooring	Level and flat, with any covering firmly secured.	Level and flat, preferably of wood and semi-sprung, or solid and covered with a proprietary compound.	As 1-Star.	As 1-Star.	As 1-Star.
Walls	Not brightly reflecting. Windows to be covered if necessary to exclude direct sunlight.	As “Approved”.	As “Approved”.	As “Approved”.	As “Approved”.
Lighting	As uniform as possible and of suitable intensity.	As uniform as possible, with a target level of 300lux over tables; height at least 3m.	Uniform, 300lux over tables and at least half that intensity elsewhere in the playing area; height at least 3m.	As 2-Star, but with a target of 500lux over tables and at least half that intensity elsewhere in the playing area; height at least 3m.	Uniform, 500lux over tables with at least half that intensity elsewhere in the playing area; height at least 4m.
Tables & Nets	Of regulation size.	Of good quality, from a recognised manufacturer.	As 1-Star, but preferably all of the same brand and type.	Of the same ITTF-approved brand and type.	As 3-Star.
Playing Space	8.5m long x 4.12m wide x 3m high, with table at centre.	9m long x 4.57 wide x 3m high, with table at centre.	9m long x 5m wide x 3m high, with table at centre.	10m long x 5m wide x 3m high, with table at centre.	Seniors: 12m long x 6m wide x 4m high, with table at centre. Juniors: As 3-Star
Court Surrounds	Playing area clearly marked, using barriers if possible.	Barriers at each corner, and preferably all round each playing area.	Barriers across ends of courts and along most of each side of each playing area.	Barriers all round each playing area.	As 3-Star.
Seating			Wherever possible for spectators and coaches.	As 2-Star.	As 2-Star.
Balls	Brand currently approved by ETTA.	As “Approved”.	Brand currently approved by ETTA, and preferably of 3-Star quality.	3-Star quality, of a brand currently approved by ETTA.	As 3-Star.
Score Indicators		For finals and, if possible, for all other matches.	Required for all matches.	As 2-Star.	As 2-Star.

APPENDIX 'C' TO RULES: DRESS REGULATIONS

(made by the National Council on 17.01.04 in accordance with ETTA Rule (2003/4) 28.14.1)

1 Applicability

- 1.1 Players and officials in competitions for which this Regulation has been adopted shall comply with the requirements set out in the Schedule to this regulation.

2 Dress for Players and Match Officials

- 2.1 The standard dress for players selected to represent England is the official shirt with the ETTA badge (three leopards passant in gold), shorts or skirts, ankle length socks and playing shoes. In addition, a track suit will be provided with "ENGLAND" embodied on the back of the jacket.
- 2.2 It is recommended that the standard dress for captains of official ETTA teams include either (a) the dress laid down for players chosen to represent England or (b) blazer with appropriate badge, trousers or skirt, shirt and official ETTA tie.
- 2.3 The standard dress for match officials either at nationally staged events, or when representing the ETTA at events organised by other national Associations, is blue blazer with appropriate badge, grey trousers or skirt, white shirt, ETTA tie and black shoes.
- 2.4 Qualified match officials at all other events approved by the ETTA are recommended to wear standard dress as prescribed by Regulation 2.3.

Schedule to Regulation 1 (*extract from ITTF Regulations for International Competitions 2003/4*)

- 3.2.2.1. Playing clothing shall normally consist of a short-sleeved or sleeveless shirt and shorts or skirt or one-part sports outfits, socks and playing shoes; other garments, such as part or all of a track suit, shall not be worn during play except with the permission of the referee.
- 3.2.2.2. The main colour of a shirt, skirt or shorts, other than sleeves and collar of a shirt, shall be clearly different from that of the ball.
- 3.2.2.3. Clothing may bear numbers or lettering on the back of the shirt to identify a player, his Association or, in club matches, his club, and advertisements in accordance with the provisions of 3.2.4.9; if the back of a shirt bears the player's name, this shall be situated just below the collar.
- 3.2.2.4. Any numbers required by organisers to identify a player shall have priority over advertisements on the centre part of the back of a shirt; such numbers shall be contained within a panel having an area not greater than 600sq cm.
- 3.2.2.5. Any markings or trimming on the front or side of a playing garment and any objects such as jewellery worn by a player shall not be so conspicuous or brightly reflecting as to unsight an opponent.
- 3.2.2.6. Clothing shall not carry designs or lettering which might cause offence or bring the game into disrepute.
- 3.2.2.7. Any question of the legality or acceptability of playing clothing shall be decided by the referee.
- 3.2.4.9. Advertisements on playing clothing shall be limited to
- 3.2.4.9.1 the maker's normal trademark, symbol or name contained within a total area of 24sq cm
- 3.2.4.9.2 not more than 6 clearly separated advertisements, contained within a combined total area of 600sq cm, on the front, side or shoulder of a shirt, with not more than 4 on the front;
- 3.2.4.9.3 not more than 2 advertisements, contained within a total area of 400sq cm, on the back of a shirt;
- 3.2.4.9.4 not more than 2 advertisements, contained within a combined total area of 80sq cm, on shorts or skirt.
- 3.2.4.10. Advertisements on players' numbers shall be contained within a total area of 100sq cm.
- 3.2.4.12. There shall be no advertisements on players' clothing or numbers for tobacco goods, alcoholic drinks or harmful drugs.

Responsible Committee: NURC and Vice-Chairman (Selection)

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APPENDIX 'D' TO RULES REGULATIONS TO COVER INTERNATIONAL CONTACTS

(Made by National Council in exercise of the power conferred by ETТА Rule (1985/6) 18.11

PART 1 – ENGLISH PLAYERS OUTSIDE ENGLAND

- 1.1 No member of ETТА may play, participate in exhibitions or coach outside England unless he has obtained prior permission from national Council, except as provided in Regulation 1.2.
- 1.2 A Member may play within the areas under the jurisdiction of the Guernsey Table Tennis Association, the Irish Table Tennis Association, the Jersey Table Tennis Association, the Scottish Table Tennis Association and the Table Tennis Association of Wales without obtaining permission under Regulation 1.1 unless he is a member of the "ETТА International Squad".
2. A Member may apply for, and the General Secretary on behalf of the National Council may grant, such permission limited to one event or activity, or covering a number of events or activities or a specified period of time.
3. A Member may receive expenses or other remuneration in connection with playing, participating in exhibitions or coaching outside England only if permission, specific to each occasion, shall have been previously requested and received in writing from ETТА.
4. Players duly affiliated to ETТА may play in countries where there is no National Association affiliated to ITTF only with the consent previously requested and received in writing from ITTF at the solicitation of ETТА.

PART 2 – MATCHES BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS OF CLUBS, LEAGUES, COUNTIES, TOWNS, ETC. OF ENGLAND AND OTHER COUNTRIES

5. a County Association, Local league or affiliated club, or other body or organisation composed of bodies affiliated to ETТА, which has obtained permission under Regulation 1.1 to arrange a team match or matches with a corresponding body in another country, shall comply with the following conditions:
 - 5.1 The body concerned in the other country has obtained permission from a National Association affiliated to ITTF (it shall be the responsibility of the English party to ensure that this has been done);
 - 5.2 Where the other country concerned has no National Association affiliated to ITTF permission shall have been obtained from ITTF by intercession of ETТА;
 - 5.3 If remuneration or expenses are paid or received by either party, specific permission shall have been requested and obtained from ETТА;
 - 5.4 They inform ETТА as soon as they commence negotiations and of the outcome of the negotiations.

PART 3 – FOREIGN PLAYERS IN ENGLAND

- 6.1 Foreign players duly affiliated to a National Association affiliated to ITTF and visiting or temporarily resident in England may participate in any Open Championships or other competition, approved by ETТА, without permission from ETТА, provided they have the authorisation to do so of their own National Association and do so at their own expense.
- 6.2 Before accepting an entry from such a foreign player it shall be the obligation of the organiser of such Open Championships to satisfy himself by reference to the entrant that the entrant has the authorisation referred to in Regulation 6.1.
- 7.1 Such foreign players may receive expenses or other remuneration for playing the game in England, and participate in exhibitions, or give instruction with or without expenses or remuneration, only by invitation of or with the specific consent previously obtained in writing of ETТА, and provided they have authorisation of their own Association as above.
- 7.2 It shall be the obligation of the foreign players concerned to ascertain that the organiser of the event proposed has the consent of ETТА before undertaking to play, take part in exhibition or instruct as mentioned in Regulation 7.1
8. Foreign players affiliated to a National Association not affiliated to ITTF must, in addition, request and obtain through ETТА, permission of ITTF.

APPENDIX E TO RULES: DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE PROCEDURE**26.07.08**

*Regulations marked * are also Rules of the Association, which can be changed only at a General Meeting.*

- 1* Any Affiliated Person (hereafter referred to as "person") or Organisation charged with a breach of the ETTA Disciplinary Code shall be furnished with details in writing of such charge.
- 2* The person or organisation charged shall have the right to a personal Hearing or to make written representations.
- 3* Where the allegation is against an organisation, any communication shall be addressed to the General Secretary of such organisation, or other person officially designated by such organisation to receive on its behalf communications from the ETTA, unless some other person in place of the General Secretary be nominated in writing by the organisation.
- 4 Not later than 14 days after the posting of notice under Regulation 1, the person or organisation against whom or which the allegation has been made may send to the ETTA General Secretary an answer thereto, and/or a written application for a Hearing.
- 5 In default of an application for a Hearing within the prescribed time, the matter shall be adjudicated, taking into consideration such written representations or other evidence as may be thought fit.
- 6 The person or organisation charged shall be given at least 14 days notice of the date, place and time of any Hearing, which shall, except as provided by Regulation 8, be held within 28 days of receipt of an application.
- 7 If the person charged is under 18 years of age
 - 7.1 details of the charge and notice of the place and date of any Hearing shall be sent also to his or her parent;
 - 7.2 an answer to the charge and/or a request for a Hearing may be sent by a parent on his behalf.
- 8 If Court proceedings are pending in relation to the matter or any related matter the Hearing or Committee meeting shall be postponed until such Court proceedings have been concluded.
- 9 Where the allegation is against an organisation and that organisation has made written application for a Hearing, the General Secretary or another officer of such organisation may attend the hearing on its behalf.
- 10 Any person charged, or the representative (designated under Regulation 9) of any organisation charged, may be accompanied at a Hearing by one other person of his choice, who shall not be a witness, and shall not (unless the person charged is under the age of 18 years) have the right to speak (except as provided for in Regulation 12.4).
- 11 Any person nominated under Regulation 10 shall be entitled to make such record of the proceedings as he may think fit subject to Regulation 11.1.
 - 11.1 If a person nominated under Regulation 10 wishes to make a tape recording of the proceedings he must notify the Disciplinary Committee Secretary not later than 7 days before the Hearing. In such a case a separate tape recording shall be made on behalf of the ETTA.
- 12 Failure of any person involved to attend the Hearing, or to answer any question, or to produce any necessary papers, shall not prevent the Committee from proceeding to a decision.
- 13 The person or organisation charged shall have the right which, in the case of a person under the age of 18, may be exercised by a parent if the person charged so requests
 - 13.1 to give and call evidence in rebuttal of the allegation;
 - 13.2 to cross-examine any witness who gives evidence in support of the allegation;
 - 13.3 to address the Committee for up to 10 minutes to sum up the answer to the allegation;
 - 13.4 if the allegation is admitted, or if the Committee has found the allegation proved, to speak in mitigation or have a person accompanying him under the provisions of Regulation 10 to do so on his behalf.

- 14* Any member of the Committee having an interest in a matter to be discussed must declare that interest as soon as he is aware of it, and must not be present in his capacity as a member of the Disciplinary Committee during the transaction of that business.
- 15 A decision may be taken by not fewer than 3 members, all of whom must have been present throughout the hearing (if any).
- 16 In case disqualification under Regulation 14 or illness may leave fewer than the 3 members required by Regulation 15, the Management Committee may appoint not more than 3 temporary members who may be called upon to make up a total of 3 available persons. Temporary members shall serve only for matters for which they are called upon.
- 17 The Committee shall consider its decision in private and in the event of the allegation being contested shall first reach a conclusion as to whether or not the allegation is proved. When the conclusion is that the allegation has been proved, the offender shall be so informed and the Committee shall then listen to any plea in mitigation under the provisions of Regulation 13.4 before deciding what penalty (if any) to impose.
- 18 If a formal allegation is proved to their satisfaction the Committee shall have power to impose one or more of the penalties specified in Regulation 19 or, for doping offences, the penalties specified in Appendix P.
- 19* An Affiliated Person, former Affiliated Person or Affiliated Organisation found to be in breach of the ETTA Disciplinary Code shall be liable to one or more of the following penalties:
- 19.1* to be suspended from the privileges of affiliation either indefinitely or for a stated period; suspension may be limited to a specified area of jurisdiction or geographical or other defined area or to a specified type of activity
- 19.2* to be fined
- 19.3* to be censured
- 19.4* to give an Undertaking in such terms as the Disciplinary Committee may decide.
- 20 If a fine imposed under Regulation 19.2 is not paid within the time limits prescribed by the Disciplinary Committee, the Disciplinary Committee may impose an alternative penalty. The Committee shall have power to decide such alternative penalty at the same time as deciding to impose the fine, but if they do so shall not be obliged at such time to make known the alternative penalty.
- 21 If an Undertaking required under Regulation 19.4 is not given within 7 days of a written request, the Disciplinary Committee may impose an alternative penalty. The Committee shall have power to decide such alternative penalty at the same time as deciding to require the Undertaking, but if they do so shall not be obliged at such time to make known the alternative penalty.
- 22 A decision made by the Disciplinary Committee shall not be confidential.
- 23 The Disciplinary Committee Chairman shall within 7 days after the conclusion of the Hearing notify its decision in writing to the General Secretary who shall then notify in writing the person or organisation charged and any other person or organisation involved.
- 24 In a case of national suspension, notification shall be sent to the General Secretary of every County Association and Local League, to every Open Tournament Organiser, to the Administrators of the County Championships and British League and the General Secretary of the Veterans' English Table Tennis Society.
- 25 The Secretary to the Disciplinary Committee shall notify the Clerk to the Board of Appeal of the name and status of the person appointed to represent the Disciplinary Committee at the Hearing of any appeal.
- 26 A decision of the Disciplinary Committee shall be deemed to be a decision of the Association and binding on all Members and affiliated bodies.
- 27 Reference in these Regulations to "parent" shall mean guardian if applicable.
- 28 Reference in these Regulations to "Affiliated Person" shall include former Affiliated Person where applicable.

- 29 The Minutes of the Disciplinary Committee shall contain a record of the procedural business of the meeting; the record of every Hearing shall be contained in a separate document.
- 30 The Disciplinary Committee Chairman may convene a meeting of the Disciplinary Committee at such time and place as he shall consider necessary including a meeting to constitute a Hearing under Regulation 6.

Note: The Disciplinary Committee can review one of its decisions at any time, in accordance with the following guidelines approved by the National Council (NC Minute (1983/4) 56.3.7):

A past decision of the Disciplinary Committee may be reviewed by the Committee and a fresh decision reached

- 1 if evidence not available at the original Hearing becomes available and in the opinion of the Committee's Chairman such evidence is new and capable of causing the Committee to vary their previous decision or
- 2 if the Committee's Chairman is satisfied that evidence is available which could discredit evidence contributing significantly to the previous decision or
- 3 if change in the Association's Rules, Regulations or national policies may, in the Committee's Chairman's opinion, have rendered the current consequence of the original decision no longer appropriate or
- 4 if the Committee's Chairman in his absolute discretion considers review to be desirable.

Final Placing	Winner	Runner Up	Semi-Finalist	TOTAL
Men's Singles	£305	£125	£60 each	£550
Women's Singles	£175	£85	£40 each	£340
Men's Band 1 Singles	£60	£25		£85
Women's Band 1 Singles	£50	£25		£75
Total Prize Fund				£1,050

- D3 At the conclusion of the season the following Prize Fund will be paid to those eligible players finishing in the leading positions in the Grand Prix points table.
- D4 To be eligible for prize money in the non-banded events players must have played in that event in at least 50% of the non-satellite tournaments; to be eligible for prize money in the Banded events players must have played in a Banded event in at least 50% of the non-satellite tournaments.
- D5 The final prize fund is:

Final Placing	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	TOTAL
Men's Singles	£1,750	£850	£400	£200	£120	£60	£3,380
Women's Singles	£600	£300	£150	£70	£40	£20	£1,180
Men's Band 1 Singles	£440	£220	£110	£70	£40	£20	£ 900
Women's Band 1 Singles	£160	£80	£40	£30	£20	-	£ 330
Men's Band 2 Singles	£440	£220	£110	£70	£40	£20	£ 900
Women's Band 2 Singles	£155	£75	£40	£30	£20	-	£ 320
Men's Band 3 Singles	£440	£220	£110	£70	£40	£20	£ 900
Women's Band 3 Singles	£150	£70	£40	£30	£20	-	£ 310
Men's Band 4 Singles	£440	£220	£110	£70	£40	£20	£ 900
Men's Band 5 Singles	£440	£220	£110	£70	£40	£20	£ 900
Men's Band 6 Singles	£400	£200	£100	£50	£30	£20	£ 800
Mixed Veteran Singles	£340	£160	£80	£40	£20	-	£610
Mixed Restricted Singles	£340	£160	£80	£40	£30	£20	£670
U21 Men's Singles	£400	£200	£100	£50	£30	£20	£800
U21 Women's Singles	£200	£100	£50	£30	£20	-	£400
Grand Total of Prize Money							£13,300

ANNEX E to APPENDIX G TO RULES - Grand Prix Fees

Grand Prix entry fees are set each January by the National Council. For 2008/09 the fees are:

Men's/Women's Open Singles	£10.70
All others (each)	£9.60
Administration (per entrant)	£3.20
Ranking levy (per event)	£1.70

APPENDIX 'F' TO RULES: REGULATIONS FOR THE ENGLISH LEAGUES CUP COMPETITIONS

(made by National Council on 20.10.07 in exercise of the power conferred by
ETTA Rule ((2007/8) 28.14)

Event A	WILMOTT CUP	(Men)
Event B	J. M. ROSE BOWL	(Women)
Event C	CARTER CUP	(Boys)
Event D	BROMFIELD TROPHY	(Girls)

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1. Alterations to Regulations

- 1.1 These Regulations may be altered only by the National Council.
- 1.2 Alterations will take effect from the date of issue of Entry Forms for the next succeeding competition.

2. Trophies

- 2.1 The winners of each competition shall be the holders, until the final round of the competition in the following season, of the following trophies:
Event A. Men - The cup presented by the late A J Wilmott*
Event B. Women - The J M Rose Bowl presented by the late J M Rose
Event C. Junior Boys - The J Carter Cup
Event D. Junior Girls - The L M Bromfield Trophy

*Note: The original Wilmott Cup was lost in the bombing of the ETTA Office in 1940 and the cup now used is a substitute.

3. Management of Competitions

- 3.1 The competitions shall be managed by a committee (referred to in these regulations as "the Committee") approved by the Management Committee.

- 3.2 The Committee may designate one of its number (to be known as the Administrator of that Competition) to be responsible for the administration of a particular Competition.
- 3.3.1 On all matters arising from these regulations and relating to these competitions, a decision of the Committee made in accordance with the provisions of these Regulations shall be final.
- 3.4 NO EVENT WILL RUN UNLESS THERE IS A MINIMUM ENTRY OF 16 TEAMS.

4. Eligibility to Enter

- 4.1 Events A to D.
- 4.1.1 Each Local League shall be eligible to enter one or more teams in each Competition.
- 4.1.2 Entries may be submitted only by Local Leagues.

5. Team Composition

- 5.1 In each match a team shall consist of up to four players (Men in the Wilmott Cup, Women in the J M Rose Bowl, Junior Boys in the Carter Cup, Junior Girls in the Bromfield Trophy). Two players shall play two singles each and up to two different players may play the doubles.

Note - 'Junior' a person (under 18 years of age on 31st December during the current Administrative Year. (ETTA Rule (2003/4) 9.2.22)

6. Players' Eligibility

- 6.1 All Events.
- 6.1.1 Each player must have played in at least four matches in the League Competition of the League represented during the season in which the competition started and/or the immediately preceding season.
- 6.1.2 All players must be affiliated to the ETTA Ltd.
- 6.1.3 A junior player having represented a League in Event C or D shall be eligible to represent another League in Event A or B providing they meet regulation 6.1.1.
- 6.1.4 A player cannot play for more than one team within each category. Eg A player who plays in Team A cannot then play in Team B in either the zonal rounds or the finals.
- 6.1.5 Any match played by an ineligible player shall be awarded to the opposing player 3 games to love.
- 6.1.6 A player licence is not required.

7. Entry Forms and Fees

- 7.1 Entry Forms will be distributed to Secretaries of Local Leagues.
- 7.2 The entry fee for each competition shall be the amount stated on the Entry Form.
- 7.3 Properly completed Entry Forms, together with the appropriate entry fees, must be received by the Administrator by the closing date specified on the Entry Form and must be signed by an authorized person on behalf of the League.

8. Zonal Groups

- 8.1 There will be eight zones. Teams will be allocated a zone on a geographical basis.
- 8.2 One round only will be played on a zonal basis. This round will be in groups or held as a knock-out round dependent upon number of entries for each zone and at the discretion of the Committee.

- 8.3 The winner of each zone shall progress to the final.
- 8.4 The Committee will appoint a referee for each zone
- 8.5 Teams will provide umpires for each match.

9. Dates for Zonal Rounds

- 9.1 The dates of the Zonal Rounds and Finals shall be published in the ETTA Calendar and will also be notified to all Local League Secretaries with the Entry Forms.
- 9.2 All matches shall be played on a Saturday or Sunday. Zonal groups shall start at 1000 hours. However, the start time may be varied by mutual agreement of all teams and the Administrator.

10. Draw by Committee

- 10.1 The draw shall be made by persons nominated by the Committee.

11. Zonal Group Play

Zonal venues shall be fixed by the Committee and the teams shall be designated as Teams A, B, C ,D etc.

12. Expenses for Zonal Group Play

- 12.1 In all zonal rounds the expenses incurred by the Committee and the travelling expenses of all teams shall be pooled and shared equally amongst all the teams in the group. Settlement shall be made on the day.
- 12.2 Any team withdrawing at very short notice or failing to attend the venue without prior notice shall be liable to meet their share of the venue and administrative costs to the Committee

13. Finals – Date, Venue and Format

- 13.1 The finals of each competition shall be played on dates and at venues selected by the ETTA Events Department.
- 13.2 All teams participating in the finals shall be responsible for meeting all their own expenses.
- 13.3 The finals may be played in groups or as knock-out rounds at the discretion of the Committee.

14. Reporting Results

- 14.1 It is the responsibility of the referee at each event to return the top 2 copies of the score sheets, signed by a representative of each team, posted or conveyed to the Competition Administrator within 48 hours.
- 14.2 The results of all matches in each round shall be sent to all Leagues taking part in that round with the draw for the finals.

15. Playing Conditions

- 15.1 The playing conditions for each match shall comply with the current requirements of ETTA Playing Conditions Grade 3.

16. Balls

- 16.1 Balls used must be on the current ITTF approved list.

17. Players' Clothing

- 17.1 Players' dress to be in accordance with Appendix C of ETTA Rules.

18. Zonal Group Format

18. The final order in a group shall be determined as per ITTF Regulation 3.7.5 for Group competitions.

19. Match Format

19.1 Each team match shall consist of five matches, each match being the best of five games.

19.2 The order of play shall be A v X, B v Y, doubles, A v Y, B v X.

19.3 Before each tie the two captains shall decide by lot the right to be A, B, or X, Y and each captain shall then name his team to the referee, allotting a letter to each of his players not necessarily in order of strength. The captain shall also name the two doubles players to the referee if different.

19.4 The first matches in the group must begin at the stipulated time as laid down in regulation 9.2.

19.5 Any player not present when called upon by the referee to play shall forfeit the set for which he is called.

19.6 Due to the operation of regulation 19.2, when one player is required to play two consecutive sets he shall be entitled to claim a five minute rest period.

19.7 All matches to be played.

20. Ranking Points

20.1 Ranking points will apply.

Responsible Committee: English Leagues Cup Competitions Committee.

This document cancels and replaces document 5250/104/RHS

APPENDIX G TO RULES: GRAND PRIX REGULATIONS 2008/09

1 ALTERATION OF REGULATIONS

- 1.1 These Regulations may be altered only by the National Council.

2 COMMITTEE

- 2.1 The Grand Prix series shall be managed by a Committee, appointed by the Vice-Chairman Competitions and approved by the ETTA Management Committee.
- 2.2 The Committee shall consist of not fewer than 5 nor more than 7 persons, to include a Chairman, a Secretary and two players' representatives.
- 2.3 The Committee shall have the power to decide any question arising from these regulations and any matter concerning the conduct of the Tournaments which is not specifically covered by these Regulations.

3 THE GRAND PRIX SERIES

- 3.1 Tournaments participating in the Grand Prix will be classified as:
- 3.1.1 Grand Prix or
- 3.1.2 Satellite Grand Prix
- 3.2 In any season there shall be 10 Grand Prix and not more than 10 Satellite Grand Prix.
- 3.3 The events included in each Grand Prix are set out in Schedule A to these regulations.

4 BANDS

- 4.1 All tournaments in the Grand Prix series must adhere to the bands contained in Schedule B to these Regulations.
- 4.2 Entry to Banded Events is restricted to players' ratings on the ETTA Ranking List current at the closing date for entries.
- 4.3 Players may enter their own band and/or the one above.
- 4.4 Any player who does not appear on the ETTA Ranking List will be given a dummy rating.

5 THE TOURNAMENTS

- 5.1 Playing Conditions
- 5.1.1 These will comply with ETTA Tournament Regulations for Grand Prix.
- 5.2 The Schedule
- 5.2.1 All tournaments will follow the standard schedule unless otherwise authorised by the Grand Prix Committee.
- 5.3 Withdrawals
- 5.3.1 Where a player withdraws from the tournament before the draw has been made a full refund will be made.
- 5.3.2 After the draw has been made refunds will only be made to those whose withdrawal is to enable them to represent their country on international duty, or where proof of injury or illness is provided to the organiser. In the case of illness or injury the administration fee may be retained by the organising body.
- 5.3.3 Where a player concedes a match in a group, that player shall receive -3 group points.
- 5.4 Scratch Entries
- 5.4.1 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 still present themselves to the Referee before the event in question starts.
- 5.4.2 Requests for "scratch" entries from other players will not be accepted prior to the "day", other than those who had their entry returned.
- 5.4.3 Where a group is incomplete due to the non-arrival of a player originally drawn into that group, the Referee will offer the place(s) to any player who has presented himself at the venue "on the day", giving priority to any player that had his entry returned because the event was originally oversubscribed.
- 5.4.4 A player who takes such a scratch entry who did not send in an entry form shall pay a surcharge of £2 for the tournament as well as the normal entry fees.

5.5 Continuous Play: If a player fails to respond to a call to play a match in the time allowed by the Referee he will be liable to be scratched. There will be no more than 3 repeat calls in any day for a player. The fourth time a player fails to respond to a call for a match, he/she is liable to be scratched from the event.

6 GRAND PRIX POINTS

6.1 Points won throughout the season's tournaments are totalled to determine the final positions in the Grand Prix Table. Points will be awarded as detailed in Schedule C to these regulations.

7 ENTRY FEES

7.1 These will be set each season by National Council as part of their annual review of all ETTA Entry fees. Please refer to Schedule E to these regulations.

8 GRAND PRIX PRIZE FUND

8.1 Only the main events in each Grand Prix Tournament will receive cash awards; for all other events the winner and runner up will receive trophies.

8.2 The minimum prize fund for each tournament within the Grand Prix is detailed in Schedule D to these Regulations and must be paid unless agreed by the Grand Prix Committee.

8.3 At the conclusion of the season the Final Prize Fund will be paid to those eligible players finishing in the leading positions in the Grand Prix points table. The Final Prize Fund is detailed in Schedule D to these regulations.

8.4 To be eligible for prize money in the non-banded events players must have played in that event in at least 50% of the non-satellite tournaments; to be eligible for prize money in the Banded events players must have played in a Banded event in at least 50% of the non-satellite tournaments.

8.5 Each season's prize funds will be recommended by the Grand Prix Committee and must receive the endorsement of the ETTA Treasurer before being submitted to National Council for approval.

ANNEX A to APPENDIX G TO RULES - Events within a Grand Prix

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

Men's Band 5 Singles

Men's Band 6 Singles

Under 21 Men's Singles

Under 21 Women's Singles

Mixed Veterans' Singles

Mixed Restricted Singles* (Open only to those players eligible to enter the banded events who do not qualify for either the Under 21 or Veterans' events.)

Note: 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 (eg 1, 3, 5) to give the largest spread of possible entrants. In such cases players may only enter 1 band. The Grand Prix Committee may also grant dispensation to Satellite Grand Prix to replace the standard events with events of their own choosing.

ANNEX B to APPENDIX G TO RULES - Bands within the Grand Prix

Men's Band 1	3551 – 4300	Women's Band 1	2801 – 3800
Men's Band 2	2851 – 3550	Women's Band 2	2001 – 2800
Men's Band 3	2451 – 2850	Women's Band 3	up to 2000
Men's Band 4	1401 – 2450		
Men's Band 5	801 – 1450		
Men's Band 6	up to 800		

ANNEX C to APPENDIX G TO RULES - Grand Prix Points

Groups	For each match won	1
	Group winner	10
	Group Runner-up	5
Knock-out	Loser of 1 st KO match	0
	Winner of preliminary round	6
	1 st Round winner	10
	2 nd Round winner	16
	3 rd Round winner	25
	4 th Round winner	40
	5 th Round winner	64
	6 th Round winner	100
	7 th Round winner	160

- C1 Note: A preliminary round is one where more than half the matches of a round are byes (this excludes byes caused by gaps in groups where players have failed to appear). eg with 11 groups, 22 players qualify for the knock-out stage, so a preliminary round of 6 matches (and 10 byes) is required.
- C2 Points shown above for the knock-out stage are the total points awarded for the knock-out stage (eg a person eliminated after 4 rounds would receive 25 points plus the points from the group stage).
- C3 If an event is not completed then competitors still left in will be credited with the average of the points won at the time of the event being abandoned and the number of points the winner would have received. Eg if an event is abandoned with 1 semi-final (round 5) still to be played then those semi-finalists will receive 70 points (half of 40 points plus 100 points) for the knock-out stage; the other finalist would receive 82 points.
- C4 For Satellite Grand Prix, the Grand Prix points awarded are reduced to 50% of the above for applicable events; ie where a Satellite runs events that are not included in the main Grand Prix those events do not score Grand Prix points.
- C5 Round Robins: Where there are fewer than 8 entries for an event then that event may be run as a Round Robin. The winner and runner up will be credited as though they were winner and runner-up of the knock-out stage. For groups of 5, 6 or 7 the 3rd & 4th placed players in the group will be credited as though they were losing semi-finalists.
- C6 Equal Number of points: Where players have an equal number of points the players will be ranked according to the number of tournaments they have participated in. Players still equal will be declared in equal positions.

ANNEX D to APPENDIX G TO RULES - Grand Prix Prize Fund

- D1 Only the main events in each Grand Prix Tournament will receive cash awards; for all other events the winner and runner up will receive trophies.
- D2 The minimum prize fund for each tournament within the Grand Prix must be as follows unless agreed by the Grand Prix Committee:

Final Placing	Winner	Runner Up	Semi-Finalist	TOTAL
Men's Singles	£305	£125	£60 each	£550
Women's Singles	£175	£85	£40 each	£340
Men's Band 1 Singles	£60	£25		£85
Women's Band 1 Singles	£50	£25		£75
Total Prize Fund				£1,050

- D3 At the conclusion of the season the following Prize Fund will be paid to those eligible players finishing in the leading positions in the Grand Prix points table.
- D4 To be eligible for prize money in the non-banded events players must have played in that event in at least 50% of the non-satellite tournaments; to be eligible for prize money in the Banded events players must have played in a Banded event in at least 50% of the non-satellite tournaments.
- D5 The final prize fund is:

Final Placing	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	TOTAL
Men's Singles	£1,750	£850	£400	£200	£120	£60	£3,380
Women's Singles	£600	£300	£150	£70	£40	£20	£1,180
Men's Band 1 Singles	£440	£220	£110	£70	£40	£20	£ 900
Women's Band 1 Singles	£160	£80	£40	£30	£20	-	£ 330
Men's Band 2 Singles	£440	£220	£110	£70	£40	£20	£ 900
Women's Band 2 Singles	£155	£75	£40	£30	£20	-	£ 320
Men's Band 3 Singles	£440	£220	£110	£70	£40	£20	£ 900
Women's Band 3 Singles	£150	£70	£40	£30	£20	-	£ 310
Men's Band 4 Singles	£440	£220	£110	£70	£40	£20	£ 900
Men's Band 5 Singles	£440	£220	£110	£70	£40	£20	£ 900
Men's Band 6 Singles	£400	£200	£100	£50	£30	£20	£ 800
Mixed Veteran Singles	£340	£160	£80	£40	£20	-	£610
Mixed Restricted Singles	£340	£160	£80	£40	£30	£20	£670
U21 Men's Singles	£400	£200	£100	£50	£30	£20	£800
U21 Women's Singles	£200	£100	£50	£30	£20	-	£400
Grand Total of Prize Money							£13,300

ANNEX E to APPENDIX G TO RULES - Grand Prix Fees

Grand Prix entry fees are set each January by the National Council. For 2008/09 the fees are:

Men's/Women's Open Singles	£10.70
All others (each)	£9.60
Administration (per entrant)	£3.20
Ranking levy (per event)	£1.70

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APPENDIX 'I' TO RULES: REGULATIONS for ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN, DEPUTY CHAIRMAN, TREASURER, VICE-CHAIRMEN and NATIONAL COUNCILLORS
(Twelfth edition)

(Made by the National Council in exercise of the power conferred by ETТА Rules now (2002/3) 25.6 and 28.14.1, except the Regulations marked * and listed in Schedule 'D' to these Regulations the substance of which is contained in the ETТА rules shown in that Schedule.

For convenience, so that all relevant matter is available in one document in logical sequence, the Rules relating to the subject matter of these Regulations or the substance thereof have been reproduced or included as the case may be in these Regulations.

A Regulation listed in Schedule 'D' cannot be altered in the manner in which the remainder of these Regulations may be altered, but only when the Rule which the Regulation reproduces or on which the Regulation is based has been altered by an ETТА General Meeting, when that Regulation will automatically be correspondingly altered).

Date these regulations come into force: 1st August 1998

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1. ELECTORAL REGISTER

- *1.1 The ETTA General Secretary shall not later than November 26th send to the General Secretary of every County Association and of every Local League a list (see specimen Doc.EL.3 listed in Schedule 'B'), to be referred to as the Electoral Register, of all Local Leagues whose Affiliation Fees were paid on or before November 15th, and of all County Associations.
- *1.2 Any challenge to the accuracy of the Electoral Register must be made in writing and received by the General Secretary not later than December 6th or within 7 days after notification of any addition, transfer or deletion.
- *1.3 The Electoral Register shall be divided into sections, one for each County Association; there shall also be one section containing 'non-County' Local Leagues.
- 1.4 In each County section referred to in Regulation 1.3 shall be listed the Local Leagues entitled to vote and affiliated to that County.
Against the name of each Local League shall be noted the unit value of the vote of the Member which that Local League is entitled to appoint, and the number of teams it has in membership.
- *1.5 The name of any Local League suspended by the ETTA shall be removed from the Electoral Register forthwith, but shall be restored as soon as the suspension ends.
- *1.6 The name of any Local League which ceases to be affiliated shall be removed from the Electoral Register forthwith.
- *1.7 Between the end of an Administrative Year and December 31st following the General Secretary shall add to the Electoral Register the name of any newly affiliated Local League.
- *1.8 No Local League shall without the authority of the National Council be transferred from one County section to another in, nor, except as provided by Rule, added to, nor, except as provided by Rule, removed from the Electoral Register.
- 1.9 It is permissible for the name of an affiliated or formerly affiliated Local League which is not currently entitled to be included in the Electoral Register to remain in the list containing the Electoral Register PROVIDED THAT it is made clear in the document that the entry for that Local League does not form part of the Electoral Register.
- 1.10 The identifying serial numbers in a First Edition shall not be changed (except for making a correction) until the First Edition in the next Administrative Year. Any additional entry shall be allocated an auxiliary number (e.g. "162a).

***2. PARTICIPATION IN ELECTIONS**

A Member appointed by a Local League which is not on the Electoral Register is not entitled to nominate or vote.

3. DATES

Not later than November 1st in the Administrative Year 1996/7 and in every second Administrative Year thereafter the National Council shall appoint a date for each date listed in Schedule 'A'

4. ELECTION CALENDAR

A list of the dates appointed under Regulation 3 ('The Election Calendar') shall be sent out with the Electoral Register under Regulation 1.1 (see specimen Doc.EL.1 listed in Schedule 'B').

5. REGULATIONS

The General Secretary shall be responsible for supplying the Scrutineers and the Nominations Officer and Returning Officer with a copy of these Regulations (Appendix 'I' to Rules).

6. REPORT

The Scrutineers and the Nominations Officer and Returning Officer shall, if required, make reports or a joint report to the National Council (see specimen Docs.EL.10(0), EL.11(0), EL.15(0), EL.15(NC), EL.16(0), EL.16(NC) listed in Schedule 'B' as appropriate).

7. DESTRUCTION OF NOMINATION AND BALLOT PAPERS

All Nominations Papers and Ballot Papers and National Councillor Appointment Forms shall be retained by the person responsible for receiving them on behalf of the Association until after completion of the next election to the same Office and shall then be destroyed.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN, DEPUTY CHAIRMAN AND TREASURER (8-32)

8. SCRUTINEERS

- *8.1 Scrutineers shall be appointed by the National Council to determine any questions as to the validity of nomination and voting papers, and ascertain the result of any postal vote.
- 8.2 Not fewer than two Scrutineers shall act in taking any decision under Regulation 8.1.

***9. RECEIPT OF NOMINATIONS**

Not later than November 1st the Management Committee shall designate a person as Nominations Officer to receive Nomination Papers. In default of such designation the General Secretary shall be Nominations Officer.

10. RECEIPT AND COUNTING OF VOTES (RETURNING OFFICER)

Not later than January 1st the National Council shall designate a person as Returning Officer to receive Voting Papers and to be responsible for the counting of votes.

11. SENDING OUT NOMINATION PAPERS

- *11.1 On Date 5 of Schedule 'A' the General Secretary shall send to the persons specified in Part 1 of Schedule 'C' a Nomination Paper.
- 11.2 The Circular accompanying the Nomination Paper may be as specimen Let.EL.4(0) listed in Schedule 'B'.

12. NOMINATION PAPER

- 12.1 A Nomination Paper shall contain on the same page provision for nomination to each Office of Chairman, Deputy Chairman and Treasurer (and General Secretary if appropriate) to be filled in the current elections.
- 12.2 It shall include reference to the name and address of the Nominations Officer and the closing date for receipt of nominations (Date 6 of Schedule 'A'), and a note that any alterations must be initialled by the Member making the nomination (see specimen Form EL.5(0) listed in Schedule 'B').

***13. VALIDITY OF NOMINATION PAPERS**

To be valid a Nomination Paper must:

- *13.1 be signed by the Member making the nomination
- *13.2 be received by the Nominations Officer by the date under Regulation 14

***14. CLOSE OF NOMINATIONS**

Nominations shall close on Date 6 of Schedule 'A', which must not be earlier than the fourteenth day after the day on which Nominations Papers were dispatched.

***15. EFFECTIVE NOMINATIONS**

A person will not be effectively nominated unless he is:

- 15.1 named in at least two valid Nomination Papers
- 15.2 has lodged with the General Secretary not later than Date 6 of Schedule 'A' a signed Consent to Nomination (see specimen Form EL.6(0) listed in Schedule 'B') and
- 15.3 has not withdrawn from nomination by a date prescribed by National Council as the last day for withdrawal

CONSENT TO NOMINATION

- 16. A person may provisionally accept nomination for more than one Office (see Regulation 20.2).

- 17.1 Every Consent to Nomination must specify the Office to which it relates, and, if provisional, that it is provisional and for which other Office(s) provisional Consent(s) to Nomination have been lodged.
- 17.2 A Consent to Nomination may be lodged with the General Secretary not earlier than December 1st preceding the election (Date 4 of Schedule 'A') and a list of all consents received before Date 5 of Schedule 'A' shall be sent out with the Nomination Papers.
18. The General Secretary shall forthwith send a written acknowledgement to every person lodging a Consent to Nomination under Regulation 15.

19. NOMINATION

The Nominations Officer shall compile a "Provisional Nominations List" listing the names and addresses of persons effectively nominated for each Office, and the names of the Members by whom each is nominated (see specimen Doc.EL.7(0) listed in Schedule 'B').

20. WITHDRAWAL FROM NOMINATION

Not later than Date 7 of Schedule 'A' the Nominations Officer shall send a copy of the Provisional Nominations List to every person effectively nominated, giving him the opportunity to withdraw from nomination (see specimen Let.EL.7(0) listed in Schedule 'B'), and shall cancel the nominations of any person so requiring in writing not later than Date 8 of Schedule 'A'.

Any person nominated for more than one office must withdraw from nomination for all except one.

- *20.3 All nominations for every Office of any person who remains nominated for more than one Office immediately after the end of the last day for withdrawing from nomination shall be cancelled.

21. FINAL NOMINATIONS LIST

The Final Nominations List (see specimen Doc.EL.9(0) listed in Schedule 'B') shall contain the names and addresses of the nominees named in the Provisional Nominations List after making any deletions required under Regulation 20.

22. ELECTION ADDRESS

Every person accepting nomination may not later than Date 8 of Schedule 'A' deliver to the Nominations Officer an election address and/or biographical note of not more than 40 words, and a copy of such Address shall be annexed to, or included in, every copy of the Final Nominations List.

23. NOTICE OF INVALID NOMINATION PAPER

Not later than Date 9 of Schedule 'A' the Nominations Officer shall give notice to every Member from whom an invalid Nomination Paper appears to have been received (see specimen Form EL.17 listed in Schedule 'B').

24. NOTICE OF NO BALLOT

When no ballot is necessary the Returning Officer shall on Date 9 of Schedule 'A' so inform the persons specified in Part II of Schedule 'C', (see specimen Let.EL.12(0) listed in Schedule 'B').

25. SENDING OUT BALLOT PAPERS

When a ballot is necessary the General Secretary shall cause the Returning Officer to send out on Date 9 of Schedule 'A' to the persons specified in Part III of Schedule 'C' a circular letter (see specimen Let.EL.13(0) in Schedule 'B') together with a Ballot Paper, and a copy of the Final Nominations List.

26. BALLOT PAPER

- 26.1 This shall include the names and addresses of the candidates, the name and address of the Returning Officer, the closing date for receipt of Ballot Papers (Date 10 of Schedule 'A') and a note that any alteration must be initialled by the Member voting (see specimen Form EL.13(0) listed in Schedule 'B'). The form shall be designed so that the part containing the vote can be separated from the part containing details of the voter.
- 26.2 When votes in elections for more than one Office are to be counted on the same occasion, the Ballot Paper relating to each Office shall be of a different colour from the other(s).

27. VALIDITY OF BALLOT PAPERS

- 27.1 To be valid a Ballot Paper must be authenticated by the signature of the Member voting.
- 27.2 Every Ballot Paper must show the name of the Member voting.

***28. CLOSE OF VOTING**

A Ballot Paper shall not be valid unless received by the Returning Officer not later than Date 10 of Schedule 'A', being the fourteenth day after the date of dispatch of Ballot Papers or such later date as National Council have decided.

29. VALUE OF VOTES

- *29.1 The vote of each individual Member shall count as one unit; of each County Representative Member one unit; the vote of each League Representative Member appointed by a Local League with 30 or fewer teams in membership 2 units, with 31-100 teams in membership 4 units, with 101 or more teams in membership 6 units.
- *29.2 For the purpose of Regulation 29.1 a Local League shall be deemed to have in membership the number of teams shown in the Electoral Register.
- 29.3 The General Secretary shall supply the Returning Officer and the Scrutineers each with a copy of the Electoral Register showing against each elector the unit value of his vote.

30. COUNTING OF VOTES

The Returning Officer shall be responsible for the counting of votes, but the decision as to the validity of any Ballot Paper shall rest with the Scrutineers. The Returning Officer shall report to the General Secretary the total units value of valid votes cast for each candidate.

31. NOTICE OF INVALID BALLOT PAPERS

Not later than Date 11 of Schedule 'A' the Returning Officer shall give notice to every identifiable Member from whom an invalid Ballot Paper was received (see specimen Form EL.17 listed in Schedule 'B').

***32. PUBLICATION OF RESULT**

Not later than Date 11 of Schedule 'A' the General Secretary shall send to the persons specified in Part IV of Schedule 'C' particulars of the person elected to each Office, and, where a ballot was held, of the unsuccessful candidates also, and the total units value of votes cast for each (see specimen Doc.EL.14(0) listed in Schedule 'B').

ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMEN (33-43)

33. Not later than June 1st the Management Committee shall designate a person as Nominations Officer to receive Nominations Papers. In default of such designation the General Secretary shall be Nominations Officer.

34. SENDING OUT NOMINATION PAPERS

Not later than Date 18 in Schedule 'A' the General Secretary shall send to the persons specified in Part VI of Schedule 'C' a Nomination Paper.

35. NOMINATION PAPER

This shall include reference to the name and address of the Nominations Officer and the closing date for receipt of nominations (Date 19 of Schedule 'A'), and a note that any alterations must be initialled by the Chairman or Chairman-elect or by both signatories (see specimen Form EL.21(VC) Schedule 'B').

36. VALIDITY OF NOMINATION PAPERS

To be valid a Nomination Paper must:

- *36.1 be signed by an Officer-elect, an Officer who will be an Officer during the term of office of these Vice-Chairmen or by any other member of Council and, if not signed by the Chairman or Chairman-elect, be countersigned by another member of Council
- *36.2 not nominate the same person for more than one post
- *36.3 not nominate an employee of the Association
- *36.4 not nominate a Vice-Chairman without departmental responsibility, unless signed by a person who has nominated the Deputy Chairman to serve as a Vice-Chairman
be received by the Nominations Officer by the date under Regulation 42

37. CLOSE OF NOMINATIONS

Nominations shall close on Date 19 of Schedule 'A' which shall not be earlier than the tenth day after the date on which Nomination Papers were dispatched.

38. PROVISIONAL NOMINATION LIST

The Nominations Officer shall compile a "Provisional Nominations List" listing the names and addresses of persons effectively nominated for each Vice-Chairmanship, showing details of the nominator (and, if the nominator is not the Chairman or Chairman-elect, the seconder) (see specimen Form EL.22(VC) in Schedule 'B').

39. WITHDRAWAL FROM NOMINATION

- 39.1 Not later than Date 20 of Schedule 'A' the Nominations Officer shall send a copy of the Provisional Nominations List to every person effectively nominated, giving him the opportunity to withdraw from nomination (see specimen Form EL.23(VC) in Schedule 'B'),

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and shall cancel the nomination of any person so requiring not later than Date 21 of Schedule 'A'.

- *39.2 Any person nominated for more than one Vice-Chairmanship must withdraw from nomination for all except one.
- 39.3 All nominations for every Vice-Chairmanship of any person who remains nominated for more than one Vice-Chairmanship immediately after the end of the last day for withdrawing from nomination shall be cancelled.

40. FINAL NOMINATION LIST

- 40.1 The Final Nomination List (see specimen Form EL.24(VC) in Schedule 'B') shall contain the names and addresses of the nominees named in the Provisional Nominations List after making any deletions required under Regulation 44.
- *40.2 Not later than Date 22 of Schedule 'A' the Nominations Officer shall send a copy of the Final Nominations List to the persons specified in Part VII of Schedule 'C'.

***41. DATE OF ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMEN**

At the start of a meeting on Date 23 of Schedule 'A' the National Council shall elect the Vice-Chairmen of the Association.

42. ELECTION PROCEDURE

- *42.1 The Vice-Chairmen shall be elected one at a time, each being elected to head a specified Department except as hereinafter mentioned; if the Deputy Chairman is elected a Vice-Chairman in charge of a Departmental, after the Vice-Chairmen in charge of Departments have been elected an additional Vice-Chairman may be elected without Departmental responsibility.
- 42.2 For each Vice-Chairmanship the ballot shall be secret.

- *42.3 The winner of the ballot shall be the candidate receiving the largest number of votes provided this number is at least 50% of the total votes cast.
- *42.4 If in a ballot no candidate receives 50% of the total votes cast, the candidate receiving fewest votes shall be eliminated and there shall be a further ballot for the remaining candidates.
- *42.5 If two candidates each receive 50% of the total votes cast, the Chairman shall have a casting vote.

43. PUBLICATION OF RESULT

Not later than Date 24 of Schedule 'A' the General Secretary shall send to the persons specified in Part IV of Schedule 'C' particulars of the Vice-Chairmen elected, showing the department if any, which each is to be in charge of.

ELECTION OF NATIONAL COUNCILLORS (44-48)**44. SENDING OUT COUNCILLOR APPOINTMENT FORMS**

Not later than Date 12 in Schedule 'A' the General Secretary shall send to the General Secretary of every County Association a form on which the County Association may inform the ETTA of the person appointed as National Councillor for the ensuing Administrative Year (see specimen Form EL.18(NC) in Schedule 'B').

45. SENDING REMINDERS

Not later than Date 14 in Schedule 'A' the General Secretary shall send to the Secretary of every County Association which has neither notified a valid appointment nor notified the

Returning Officer of the date of a Committee meeting at which it is proposed to make the appointment and at which an appointment can validly be made, a letter reminding him of the

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last date for the appointment of his County's National Councillor (see specimen Form EL.19(NC) in Schedule 'B').

***46. COMMITTEE MEETING FOR ELECTION OF COUNCILLOR**

Every County Association shall hold a meeting of its Management Committee/Council during the period May 1st to June 15th at which meeting shall be elected the National Councillor to represent the County for the following Administrative Year, consideration being given to all nominations submitted by Members of the County Association.

***47. NOTIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT OF COUNCILLORS**

A County Association shall inform the ETTA General Secretary in writing on the form provided (see Regulation 33) not later than June 20th of the name and address of the person elected as National Councillor for that County, at the same time providing the following information:

- (1) Date of meeting
- (2) Place of meeting
- (3) Names of persons present
- (4) Name of person taking chair
- (5) Names of all persons considered for election as National Councillor
- (6) Name of person elected as National Councillor
- (7) Number of votes cast for and against person elected

The required information may be provided either on the Form EL.18(NC) or in a certified extract from the Minutes of the meeting at which the National Councillor was elected.

48. PUBLICATION OF RESULT

On Date 17 of Schedule 'A' the General Secretary shall send to the persons specified in Part V of Schedule 'C' particulars of the Councillor elected for each County (see specimen Form EL.14(NC) in Schedule 'B').

NATIONAL ELECTION REGULATIONS**SCHEDULE 'A' – APPOINTED DAYS**

	<u>Regulations</u>
<u>Electoral Register</u>	
1. Qualifying date for inclusion in Electoral Register	1.1
2. Date for sending out Electoral Register, and Election Calendar	1.1 and
4.	
3. Last date for receipt by General Secretary of objections to Electoral Register	1.2
<u>Lodging Consent to Nomination</u>	
4. Earliest date for lodging Consent to Nomination	17.2
<u>Election of Chairman, Deputy Chairman and Treasurer</u>	
5. Date for sending out Nomination Papers and List of Consents to Nomination	11.1
6. Last day for receipt of Nomination Papers and Consents to Nomination	14
7. Date for sending out Provisional Nominations List	20
8. Last day for declining nomination	20
9. Date for sending out Ballot Papers and/or Notice that no ballot necessary	25, 24
10. Last day for receipt of Ballot Papers	28
11. Date for sending out result of Election	32
<u>Election of National Councillors</u>	
12. Date for sending out Appointment Forms	33
13. First day for County Committee meetings to elect National Councillors	35
14. Date for sending out reminder to all County Associations from which Councillor Appointment Form not yet received	34
15. Last day for County Committee meetings to elect National Councillors	35
16. Last day for receipt of Councillor Appointment Forms	36
17. Date for sending out list of Councillors elected	37
<u>Election of Vice-Chairmen</u>	
18. Date for sending out Nomination Papers	39
19. Last day for receipt of Nomination Papers	42
20. Date for sending out Provisional Nomination List	44.1
21. Last day for declining nomination	44.1
22. Date for sending out Final Nominations List	45.2
23. Date of election	46
24. Date for sending out results of election	48

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NOTES TO SCHEDULE 'A' – GUIDANCE ON SETTLING DATES**Chairman, Deputy Chairman and Treasurer elections**

<u>Note No.</u>	<u>Days</u>
(1) Date 1 must by rule be November 15 th (Rule (1996/7) 14.1)	
(2) Period 1/2: must allow time for production of Electoral Register (most of the preparation can be done before Date 1)	(5)
(3) Date 2 must not by rule be later than November 26 th (Rule (1996/7) 14.1)	
(4) Period 2/3: must allow time for Electoral Register to be challenged	(7)
(5) Date 3 must by rule be December 6 th (Rule 1996/7) 14.2)	
(6) Date 4 must be December 1 st (Reg. 17.2)	
(7) Date 5 (a) cannot be earlier than November 26 th because Electoral Register needed as distribution list (b) should be long enough after Date 4 to allow prospective candidates to lodge Consents to Nomination if they wish that information to be circulated (c) must not by rule be later than 14 days before Date 6 (Rule (1996/7) 15.4.2)	
(8) Period 5/6: time to nominate must be 14 days (Rule (1996/7) 15.4.2)	(14)
(9) Date 6 (a) must not by rule be earlier than 14 th day after Date 5 (Rule (1996/7) 15.3.2) (b) should preferably not be before December 16 th to allow time for Nomination Papers to be sent out and returned after challenges to Electoral Register dealt with after December 6 th	
(10) Period 6.7: time for Nomination Papers to be checked by Scrutineers, and for Provisional Nominations List to be produced (allow for weekend delay)	(7)
(11) Period 7/8: time for nominees to consider whether they wish to stand having regard to other persons nominated; time for nominees nominated for more than one Office to decide from which to withdraw; time for negotiation etc, (allow time for post)	(8)
(12) Period 8/9: must allow time for production of Ballot Papers	(6)
(13) Period 9/10: time for voting, prescribed by rule, minimum 14 days (Rule 1996/7) 15.8)	(14)
(14) Period 10/11: must allow time to arrange and conduct COUNTING OF VOTES (include at least one weekend) and to prepare results circular	(9)

National Councillor elections

- (15) Date 12 (a) should not be later than April 30th, so that forms arrive in time for May 1st (b) may conveniently be same as Date 11
- (16) Date 13 must by rule be May 1st (Rule (1996/7) 19.1)
- (17) Date 14 should be approximately 3 weeks before Date 15 (that is halfway through the period between Date 13 and Date 15)
- (18) Date 15 must by rule be June 15th (Rule 1996/7) 19.1)
- (19) Date 16 must by rule be June 20th (Rule 1996/7) 19.2)
- (20) Period 16/17: time for preparation of list of National Councillors elected
- (21) Date 17 should be as soon as practicable after June 20th

Vice-Chairmen elections

- (22) Date 18 should be as early as possible, which is the same Date 17. Nomination Papers can be sent with the results of National Councillor elections.

<u>Note No.</u>	<u>Days</u>
(23) Period 18/19: should be at least 10 days	
(24) Date 19 should be as early as is consistent with Period 18/19	
(25) Period 19/20: must allow time for Provisional Nominations List to be produced, but should be as short as possible	
(26) Date 20 should be as early as is consistent with Period 19/20	

- (27) Date 20/21: time for nominees to consider whether they wish to withdraw and time for nominees nominated for more than one Vice-Chairmanship to decide from which to withdraw (allow time for post)
- (28) Date 21 should be as early as is consistent with Period 20/21
- (29) Period 21/22: must allow time for Final Nominations List to be produced but should be as short as possible
- (30) Date 22 should be as early as is consistent with Period 21/22, and must be early enough to enable the Final Nominations List to be sent out to arrive not later than 10 days before Date 23
- (31) Date 23 is the date of the first National Council meeting after the AGM
- (32) Period 23/24: time for preparation of list of Vice-Chairmen elected
- (33) Date 24 should be as early as is consistent with Period 23/24

General

- (34) Unless the actual date is specified by rule or regulation, or results from a calculation prescribed by a rule or regulation, no date should fall on a Saturday, Sunday or Public Holiday, but should be on the next working day before
- (35) The date of the April National Council meeting (Date 13) is the governing factor for much of the Calendar, so calculations should be made back from Date 13

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SCHEDULE 'B' - FORMS

Election of Officers

<u>Form</u>	<u>Reg</u>	<u>Description of Form</u>
Doc.EL.1	4	Election Calendar
Let.EL.3	1	Letter re Electoral Register

Doc.EL.3	1	Electoral Register
Let.EL.5(0)	11	Letter re Nomination
Form EL.5(0)	12	Nomination Paper
Form EL.6(0)	15	Consent to Nomination
Doc.EL.7(0)	19	Provisional Nominations List
Let.EL.7(0)	20	Letter to Candidates re withdrawing
Doc.EL.9(0)	21	Final Nominations List
Doc.EL.10(0)	6	Report of Nominations Officer
Doc.EL.11(0)	6	Report of Scrutineers on Nominations
Let.EL.12(0)	24	Notice that no Ballot necessary
Form EL.13(0)	26	Ballot Paper
Let.EL.13(0)	25	Letter re Voting
Doc.EL.14(0)	32	Notification of Result of Election
Doc.EL.15(0)	6	Report of Returning Officer
Doc.EL.16(0)	6	Report of Scrutineers on Voting
Form EL.17	23, 31	Notice of Invalid Nomination/Ballot Paper

<u>Form</u>	<u>Reg</u>	<u>Description of Form</u>	<u>Form</u>	<u>Reg</u>
		Notice of date of meeting at which National Councillor to be elected	EL.20(NC)	
EL.21(VC)	40	Nomination Paper		
EL.22(VC)	43	Provisional Nominations List		
EL.23(VC)	44	Letter to Candidates re: withdrawing		
EL.24(VC)	45	Final Nominations List		

NATIONAL ELECTION REGULATIONS**SCHEDULE 'C' – CIRCULATION LISTS**

Key:	(1)	General Secretaries of Local Leagues
	(2)	General Secretaries of County Associations
	(3)	ETTA Officers
	(4)	ETTA Officers-elect
	(5)	National Councillors
	(6)	Candidates
	(7)	Nominations Officer
	(8)	Scrutineers

PART I	(Nomination Paper – Chairman, Deputy Chairman, Treasurer) Such of (1) and (2) as are listed in the Electoral Register. Letter accompanying Nomination Paper (marked “For Information Only”) also to (3), (5), (7) and (8).
PART II	(Notice of No Ballot – Chairman, Deputy Chairman, Treasurer) (1), (2), (3), (5), (6) and (8).
PART III	(Ballot Paper – Chairman, Deputy Chairman, Treasurer) Such of (1) and (2) as are listed in the Electoral Register.

- Letter accompanying Ballot Paper (marked "For Information Only") also to (3), (5), (6) and (8).
- PART IV (Result – Chairman, Deputy Chairman, Treasurer, Vice-Chairmen) (1), (2), (3), (5) and (6).
- PART V (Result – National Councillors) (1), (2), (3) and (5).
- PART VI (Nomination Paper – Vice-Chairmen) (4) if existing else (3) and (5).
- PART VII (Final Nominations List – Vice-Chairmen) (3), (5) and (6).

SCHEDULE 'D' to APPENDIX 'I' TO RULES

Schedule of Rule Numbers

The regulation of which the number is listed in the left-hand column reproduces or is based upon the Rule of which the number is listed in the right hand column.

REGULATION	RULE (1996/7)	REGULATION	RULE (1996/7)
1.1	14.1	28.	15.8
1.2	14.2	29.1	15.9
1.3	14.3	32.	15.13
1.5	14.4	35.	19.1
1.6	14.5	36.	19.2
1.7	14.6	41.1	17.2
1.8	14.7	41.2	17.3
2.	15.1	41.3	17.3
8.	15.12	41.4	17.4
9.	15.4.2	44.2	17.5
11.1	15.2	45.2	17.6
13.1	15.4.1	46.	17.1
13.2	15.4.2	47.1	17.7
14.	15.4.2	47.3	17.7.1
15.	15.5	47.4	17.7.2
20.3	15.6	47.5	17.7.3
27.1	15.11		

Responsible Committee: Rules

This document cancels and replaces document 4126/23/AW(20.02.98), regulations 33 to 37 having been cancelled, regulations 38 to 42 having been renumbered as 33 to 37 and new regulations 38 to 48 having been added.

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APPENDIX 'J' TO RULES: MODEL RULES FOR A COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Eighth edition (made by the National Council in exercise of the power conferred by ETТА Rule (2005/6) 44.8.2).

COMPULSORY RULES: Under the powers vested in it by Rule the National Council has resolved that the Rules of every County Association must contain the following sub-rules as in this Appendix (marked +)

2.1, 2.2.1, 2.2.2, 3, 4 – 4.1.5, 4.2, 5.1.2, 5.2, 6.1, 6.5, 8.4, 9.10 and 9.10 (1), 12.2, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17.6, 17.7, 18, 20.1, 20.7, 20.8.

APPROVAL: County Associations are reminded that following the Model Rules does not relieve them of the obligation to submit Rules and subsequent amendments to the ETТА for approval.

INTRODUCTION:

1. It is intended that Rules 1 – 20 of every County Association shall cover the subject matter contained in Rules 1 – 20 below, using the same numbering; except for the 'compulsory rules' mentioned above, the exact wording and content of each rule is a matter for the County concerned. Other matters which a County Association wishes to cover should be included in Rules 21 onwards, or, if it is desired to include some rules dealing with optional subjects among Rules 1 – 20, such rules should be given a number with the suffix 'A', 'B' etc eg: "7A. PRESIDENT and VICE-PRESIDENTS". Some of the optional matters to be considered for inclusion are listed on page 10.
2. Sub-rules marked * are optional, as their subject matter is not considered essential for inclusion.
3. Rules or sub-rules marked + are obligatory.
4. Explanatory notes are set out on pages 11 and 12. The existence of a relevant note is denoted by a number in <> brackets.
5. Every set of rules (including drafts) should be dated and should be made distinguishable from any earlier set by the use of a date, if sufficient, or other identification.

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<1> COUNTY TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION

1. NAME

The Association shall be called the <1> County Table Tennis Association.

2. OBJECTS

- +2.1. The Association shall be affiliated to the English Table Tennis Association.
- +2.2. The objects of the Association shall be as follows:
 - 2.2.1. to act as the controlling and governing body for the sport of Table Tennis in the County of <1> subject to any overriding decisions of the National Council of the English Table Tennis Association.
 - 2.2.2. to assist and encourage the formation of Table Tennis leagues and clubs in the County of <2> and to promote the game in every possible way.

+3. AREA OF JURISDICTION

The area of jurisdiction of the Association shall be the County of <1> as defined by the Rules of the ETTA <2>.

+4. DEFINITIONS

In these Rules and any Regulations made hereunder

- +4.1. the following words and phrases shall have the meaning assigned by this Rule:
 - <1>+4.1.1. the Association: the <2> Table Tennis Association
 - +4.1.2. Casual Vacancy: A vacancy which occurs at a time when the normal procedure prescribed by the Rules for filling it cannot operate.
 - +4.1.3. ETTA: the English Table Tennis Association Ltd
 - +4.1.4. Member: <3>. Any person mentioned in Rule 5.1, or any official, player or other individual member of a body mentioned in Rule 5.1.2, or of a club in membership of or affiliated to such a body.
 - +4.1.5. National Council: the National Council of the ETTA.
- +4.2. words and phrases defined by the Rules of the ETTA and not otherwise defined by these Rules shall have the meaning assigned to them by the Rules of the ETTA.

5. CONSTITUTION

- 5.1. The Association shall consist of:
 - <1>5.1.1. <President>, <Vice-Presidents>, <Honorary Life Members>, duly appointed officials
 - +5.1.2. all Local Leagues, Directly Affiliated Clubs and Directly Affiliated Individuals affiliated to the ETTA which are within the jurisdiction of the Association as prescribed by the National Council (except those exempted by decision of the National Council)
- +5.2. The Association shall without payment of fee accept into Good Standing the following, but no other, bodies:
 - 5.2.1. All organisations within the jurisdiction of the Association which are in Good Standing with the ETTA.
 - 5.2.2. All County or Regional Associations or organisations covering the area or part of the area of jurisdiction of this Association which are part of or affiliated to national Associations or organisations in Good Standing with the ETTA.
 - 5.2.3. The County Schools Table Tennis Association(s) and Schools Leagues and School Clubs within the jurisdiction of the Association except such as are affiliated.

6. AFFILIATION

- +6.1. Affiliation to the Association shall be compulsory for all Local Leagues, Directly Affiliated Clubs and Directly Affiliated Individuals in the County, unless exempted by a decision of the National Council.

Note to 6.1: An ETTA Honorary Life Member is not obliged to affiliate to a County Association

- nor pay any affiliation or similar fee to it.
- 6.2. Application: Every applicant for affiliation shall complete the current affiliation form and shall sign it on behalf of himself/herself or of the league or club on whose behalf the application is made.
- 6.3. A club or individual not directly affiliated to the ETTA may apply to be directly affiliated to the Association provided that it or he/she is affiliated to the ETTA through another body.
- 6.4. Every Local League and Directly Affiliated Club shall send to the General Secretary of the Association not later than <1> each season a copy of its current Rules.
- +6.5. No person or body may affiliate to the Association unless affiliated to the ETTA.

7. AFFILIATION FEES

- 7.1. The Affiliation Fees per season shall be as follows:
 - 7.1.1. Local Leagues: <1>
 - 7.1.2. Directly Affiliated Clubs: <2>
 - 7.1.3. Directly Affiliated Individuals: <3>
- 7.2. Date for payment: Affiliation Fees shall be paid on or before <4> each season to <5>
- <6>*7.3. Guarantee: <7>

8. OFFICERS and NATIONAL COUNCILLOR

- <1>8.1. The Officers of the Association shall be: Chairman, Vice-Chairman, General Secretary, *<Assistant General Secretary>, Treasurer, *<County Match Secretary>, *<Inter League Championships Secretary>, Umpires Secretary, *<Coaching Secretary>
- 8.2. Election: The Officers shall be elected by the Annual General Meeting and shall serve from the end of the meeting at which they are elected until the end of the Annual General Meeting following; they shall be eligible for re-election.
- 8.3. Casual Vacancy: may be filled by the Management Council <2>/Committee
- +8.4. National Councillor
 - +8.4.1. Between May 1st and June 15th each Administrative Year the Management Council/Committee shall elect a National Councillor and may elect a Deputy National Councillor to represent the County for the following Administrative Year, after considering all nominations submitted to them by Members of the Association.
 - +8.4.2. The General Secretary shall send a copy of the Management Council/Committee Minute recording the election or the information required by the ETTA official appointment form certified by himself and by a second person who must be the Chairman, Vice-Chairman or Treasurer to reach the ETTA General Secretary, or such other person as may be designated for the purpose by the ETTA Management Committee, by June 20th.

9. MANAGEMENT

- 9.1. The affairs of the Association shall be managed, subject to the control of the Annual General Meeting, <1> <by a Management Council consisting of (1) the

- Officers (2) the person representing the Association on the National Council (3) <2> representative(s) appointed by each Local League* (4) <3>>. <by a Management Committee consisting of (1) the Officers (2) the person representing the Association on the National Council (3) <4> persons elected by the Annual General Meeting *(4) <5>>
- 9.2. Co-option: The Council/Committee shall have power to co-opt not more than <6> other members of the Association. Co-opted members <7> <shall> <shall not> have the right to vote.
- 9.3. Casual Vacancies: The Council/Committee shall have power to fill a Casual Vacancy in any Office or on the Council/Committee until the next Annual General Meeting.
- 9.4. Meetings: The Council/Committee shall meet <8>
- 9.5. At least <9> day's notice in writing of the place, date and time of every meeting shall be sent to every member of the Council/Committee.
- 9.6. Quorum: The business of the Council/Committee may be transacted by not less than <10> members <11> <which must include at least <12> Officer(s) <13>
- 9.7. Chair: In the absence of both Chairman and Vice-Chairman the Council/Committee shall elect one of its number to take the chair for the meeting.
- 9.8. Voting: Every question at a meeting of the Council/Committee shall be determined by a majority of the members present and voting, every member having one vote. In the case of an equality of votes the chairman of the meeting shall have a second or casting vote.
- 9.9. Regulations: The Council/Committee shall have power to make Regulations to cover such matters not specifically dealt with in these Rules as it thinks fit.
- +9.10. Standing Sub-Committees: At its first meeting following the Annual General Meeting the Council/Committee shall appoint Standing Sub-Committees to deal with the following matters: +(1) Umpiring (meetings of this sub-committee shall be convened by the Umpires Secretary) (2) Discipline (3) <14>
- 9.11. Sub-Committees: The Council/Committee may delegate any of its duties and powers to sub-committees consisting of such persons as it shall decide, provided that at least <15> member(s) shall be member(s) of the Council/Committee. Any sub-committee shall, in the performance of its duties, conform to the Terms of Reference laid down by the Council/Committee. Unless decided otherwise by the Council/Committee, the chairman of a sub-committee shall be responsible for reporting to the Council/Committee.

10. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

- 10.1. Date: Each season the Association shall hold an Annual General Meeting <1>
- 10.2. Notice: To call the AGM the General Secretary shall give at least <2> 14 days' notice in writing of the place, date and hour, together with the Agenda, to the <3> <President>, <Vice-Presidents>, <and> Officers and to the General Secretary of each Local League and Directly Affiliated Club and to each Directly Affiliated Individual.
- 10.3. Accredited Representative: Each Local League shall appoint one Accredited Representative to attend each General Meeting who shall hold an official Accredited Representative's card signed by the General Secretary of the Local League. Only the Accredited Representative shall be entitled to cast his league's vote(s).
- 10.4. Right to attend: Attendance at the meeting shall be open to all Members.
- 10.5. Agenda:

- 10.5.1. The following items shall be included: (1) Minutes of the previous AGM (2) Minutes of any SGM held since the previous AGM (3) Annual Report of Management Council/Committee (4) Statement of Accounts (5) Rule Change Propositions (if any) (6) motions of which the General Secretary has received notice in writing not later than <4> (7) <Election of President, Vice-Presidents etc.> (8) Election of Officers <5> (9) Election of Management Committee Members (10) Appointment of Auditors.
- 10.5.2. Motions not included in the Agenda shall not be voted upon except with permission of the chairman <6>.
- 10.6. Voting <7> <8> <9>
- 10.7. Special Majority: No resolution altering the Rules of the Association shall be declared carried unless at least <10> of the total votes cast are in favour of that resolution.
- *10.8. Fine for non-attendance: Any Local League not represented at the AGM by an Accredited Representative shall be fined the sum of <11>

11. SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

- 11.1. A Special General Meeting shall be convened on a resolution of the Management Council/Committee or to take place within 28 days after receipt by the General Secretary of a requisition signed by <1> stating the business to be transacted at the meeting.
- 11.2. Rule 10 (except sub-rules 10.1 and 10.5) shall apply.
- 11.3. A Special General Meeting shall transact only such business as is specified in the resolution or requisition convening it.

12. FINANCE

- 12.1. Bank Account: The funds of the Association shall be kept at a Bank or invested in a Building Society or other security approved by the Association.
- +12.2. Cheque Signatories: All cheques etc, drawn on the Bank, Building Society and other accounts shall be signed by <1> <the Treasurer and by <2>> <any two of the following <3>>.
- 12.3. The Financial Year of the Association shall end on <4>
- 12.4. Auditors: The accounts of the Association shall be audited each season by <5> auditors appointed by the AGM.
- 12.5. All income and property of the Association from whatever source derived shall be applied solely to the promotion of the objects of the Association.

+13. DISSOLUTION

In the event of the winding up or dissolution of the Association, any surplus assets remaining after discharge of liabilities shall automatically vest in the ETTA who shall hold them for a period of six years in trust to pay them to any organisation set up with objects identical with or similar to those of the Association (the ETTA during such period making every endeavour to promote and encourage the formation of such an organisation) and thereafter for the general purposes of the ETTA.

+14. APPEALS AGAINST LEAGUES

- 14.1. Any Member or affiliated club aggrieved by a decision or action of a Local League, or a Committee, Officer or official of such league, or by neglect or refusal to do something which such organisation or person is under a duty to do, may appeal against such decision, action neglect or refusal to this Association whose proper decision shall be final and binding on all parties.
- 14.2. The Association shall not have power to reverse a decision or action which is in accordance with the rules of the Local League unless it constitutes a breach of

the Rules or Regulations of this Association or of the ETTA or of the principles of natural justice.

- 14.3. Any such appeal shall be made in writing to the General Secretary within 21 days after notification of the decision or action appealed against, and shall be accompanied by a fee of the amount prescribed by the ETTA and specified in the Schedule to this rule. The fee shall be returned if the adjudicating body consider the making of an appeal to have been justified (whatever the result).
- 14.4. Either party to the Appeal shall be entitled to require a Hearing before the adjudicating body.
- 14.5. Any party may be represented at a Hearing provided that the Association is notified in advance in writing of the intention to be represented.

+15. DISCIPLINARY

- 15.1. A Member shall not do or cause to be done anything deliberately harmful to the Association nor likely to bring the Association or the game of Table Tennis into disrepute.
- 15.2. A Member shall not without good and sufficient cause –
 - 15.2.1. absent himself from the Hearing of any allegation or appeal after having been requested with reasonable notice to attend
 - 15.2.2. refuse or neglect to answer any question put to him in connection with such allegation or appeal if directed to answer by the chairman of the adjudicating body

+16. SUSPENSION

- 16.1. For a breach of this Association's Rules or Regulations the Association shall have power to suspend any Local League, club, player or official within its jurisdiction, under the power created by ETTA Rules and subject to the right of appeal provided by such Rules.
- 16.2. The ETTA General Secretary shall be notified of any suspension under this Rule.
- 16.3. Such suspension shall be enforced by all bodies in this county, but shall operate only within the jurisdiction of this Association, the suspended person or body being deprived of the privileges of membership of or affiliation to this Association and any Local League or Directly Affiliated Club affiliated to this Association, but not of the privileges of membership of or affiliation to the ETTA enjoyed outside the jurisdiction of this Association.

17. DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

- 17.1. The Standing Sub-Committee referred to in Rule 9.10 (2) shall be called the Disciplinary Committee and shall consist of five persons, one of whom shall be designated as Chairman by the Council/Committee.
- 17.2. Members of the Disciplinary Committee shall (unless they resign) serve until the end of the season in which they are appointed and thereafter until the appointment of their successors. Casual vacancies shall be filled by the Council/Committee.
- 17.3. A decision may be taken by not less than three members, all of whom must have been present throughout the hearing.
- 17.4. Any member of the Committee having an interest in a matter to be discussed must declare that interest as soon as he is aware of it, and must not be present in his capacity as a member of the Disciplinary Committee during the transaction of that business.
- 17.5. Should disqualification under Rule 17.4 leave less than three members as required by Rule 17.3, the Management Council/Committee shall appoint sufficient temporary members to make the number up to three, such members serving only for the particular matter for which they are appointed.

- +17.6. The Disciplinary Committee shall deal with any allegation under Rule 17.7 of breach of Rule or Regulation of this Association.
- +17.7. Any allegation referred to in Rule 17.6 must be made in writing to the General Secretary specifying the Rule or Regulation alleged to have been broken, the name of the member or organisation alleged to be in breach and the date and place of the alleged breach.
- 17.8. The Disciplinary Committee shall follow the procedure laid down by the National Council of the ETTA as included in Appendix 'E' to the Rules of the ETTA.
- 17.9 If a formal allegation is proved to its satisfaction the Disciplinary Committee shall have power to impose on the member or organisation guilty of such breach (the offender) one or more of the following penalties -
 - 17.9.1.that he be suspended from the privileges of membership of this Association either indefinitely or for a stated period.
 - 17.9.2.that he be fined.
 - 17.9.3.that he be censured.
- 17.10. The Chairman of the Disciplinary Committee shall, within seven days of the hearing, notify its decision in writing to the General Secretary, who shall then notify the member or organisation in writing, at the same time sending the member or organisation a copy of Rule 18 (Right of Appeal) if the charge has been proved.

+18. RIGHT OF APPEAL

- 18.1. Any Member, affiliated club or Local League aggrieved by a decision or action of this Association, or a Committee, Officer or official of this Association (except the proper determination of an Appeal), or by the neglect or refusal to do something which this Association or such Committee, Officer or official of this Association is under a duty to do, may appeal against such decision, action, neglect or refusal to the ETTA Board of Appeal.
- 18.2. Any appeal under Rule 18.1 shall be made in writing to the General Secretary of the ETTA within 21 days after notification of the decision or action appealed against, and shall be accompanied by a fee of an amount prescribed by the ETTA. The fee will be returned if the adjudicating body considers the making of an appeal to have been justified (whatever the result).

19. MATTERS NOT COVERED BY RULES

If any question or matter arises which is not provided for in these Rules, it shall be dealt with by the Management Council/Committee.

20. ALTERATION OF RULES

- +20.1. These Rules may be changed (whether by addition, alteration or deletion) only by decision of an Annual General Meeting or of a Special General Meeting convened for the purpose.
- 20.2. Proposals for such changes to be considered by the next AGM shall be submitted in writing to reach the General Secretary not later than <1>
- 20.3. All proposals so received shall be circulated to all Local Leagues, Directly Affiliated Clubs and Directly Affiliated Individuals affiliated to the Association by <2>
- 20.4. Amendments or Alternative Propositions dealing with the same subject matter shall be accepted for consideration by the AGM if submitted in writing and received by the General Secretary not later than <3>

- 20.5. Proposals for such changes to be considered by a Special General Meeting shall be submitted to the General Secretary in writing together with the requisition for the Special General Meeting.
- *20.6. Before any resolution altering these Rules shall be declared carried at least <4> of the total votes cast must be in favour of that resolution.
- +20.7. Notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 20.1, the following Rules 2.1, 2.2.1, 2.2.2, 3, 4 – 4.1.5, 4.2, 5.1.2, 5.2, 6.1, 6.5, 8.4, 9.10 and 9.10 (1), 12.2, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17.6, 17.7, 18, 20.1, 20.7, 20.8, may not be changed without the previous written consent of the National Council and may be changed by the National Council without any such change requiring to be approved by a County General Meeting; such a change shall take effect on a date to be specified by the National Council being a date not earlier than one month after the County Association has been given notice of the change.
- +20.8. The Rules of this Association are subject to the approval of the ETTA.

Schedule to Rule 14.3

Appeal Fee: Individual:
 Organisation:

Optional Headings for Consideration

21. President and Vice-Presidents
22. Honorary Life Members
23. Officials
24. Emergency Powers
25. Selection Committee
26. County Team Eligibility
27. County Team Badges
28. Ranking Lists
29. Closed Championships
30. Tournaments, Inter-League Competitions etc
31. Trophies
32. Permission for Tournaments
33. Handbook

NOTES ON MODEL RULES 1 to 20

(The first part of each note number is the number of the Rule, the second part refers to the square bracketed note number: eg. 4/2 is Note <2> to Rule 4)

H/1, 1/1, 2/1, 2/2, 3/1. Name of County

3/2 If desired, an explanatory note may be added as to the effect of the ETTA Rules

4/1 List words and phrases in alphabetical order, with definitions

4/2 Name of County

5/1 Delete those not applicable

6/1 Date by which Rules must be sent in

7/1, 7/2, 7/3. Amount of fee

7/4 Date by which fees must be paid

7/5 Person to whom fees must be sent

7/6 This sub-rule to be included only if guarantee payments required

7/7 Amount of guarantee payment, if any, and circumstances in which the guarantee, or any part of it, is to be forfeit

8/1 Insert only those posts which merit "Officer status". Other officials, and the posts shown as optional offices if not inserted in this Rule, should, and in the case of Umpires Secretary must be covered by a separate Rule dealing with officials

8/2 Delete as applicable. See Note 9/1

9/1 It is suggested that "Council" be used where the governing body consists mainly of delegates representing constituent bodies, and "Committee" where of elected members. Delete whichever section not applicable. In following Rules delete "Council" or "Committee" as appropriate

9/2 Number of representatives per league

9/3 Provision for other members if required

9/4 Number of persons to be elected

9/5 Provide for other members if required

9/6 The number inserted should not exceed 25% of the number of non-co-opted members

9/7 Delete whichever inapplicable

9/8 Frequency of meetings, eg "on the first Monday each month"

9/9 Length of notice to be given

9/10 Number for quorum

9/11 Delete words in square brackets if quorum to be by number only

9/12 Number of officers to be included in quorum

9/13 Insert any additional requirement, eg "and representatives of at least Local Leagues"

9/14 (3) etc. Insert any other areas of activity to be covered by Standing Sub-Committees

9/15 Minimum number of Council/Committee members to be included in any sub-committee

10/1 Period during which meeting must be held, eg "during the month of June" or "in the last week in May or the first week of June" or as the case may be. It should not be held later than the end of July

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- 10/2 If 14 days considered insufficient, amend by inserting longer period. No period less than 14 days should be inserted
- 10/3 Omit words in square brackets if not applicable
- 10/4 Date must be at least 7 days before the earliest date on which AGM may be held
- 10/5 Delete words in square brackets if not applicable
- 10/6 Delete words in square brackets if not required
- 10/7 Insert method of voting. One vote per individual Member will not be acceptable; some system of a number of votes per league must be adopted (not necessarily varying according to size – all leagues may be given equal voting strength)
- 10/8 It is acceptable to provide for decision by show of hands of persons entitled to vote in a Block Vote, provided that any such person has the right to require a Block Vote
- 10/9 It is necessary to provide who does the voting
- 10/10 Majority desired, should not be less than two-thirds
- 10/11 Amount of fine

- 11/1 Number and type of signatories required

- 12/1 Delete one of the alternatives in square brackets
- 12/2 Signatories in addition to Treasurer
- 12/3 Cheque signatories for alternative system, any two of a number, Treasurer not required to sign every cheque etc
- 12/4 Date of end of financial year
- 12/5 “two” or as the case may be

- 20/1 Date by which Rule Change Propositions must be received by General Secretary
- 20/2 Date by which Propositions to be circulated
- 20/3 Date by which amendments to circulated Propositions to be received by General Secretary
- 20/4 Same majority as mentioned in Note 10/10

Every set of Rules (including drafts) should be dated and should be made distinguishable from any earlier set or draft by the use of a date, if sufficient, or other identification.

Responsible Committee: Rules

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SUPPLEMENT to APPENDIX 'J' TO RULES

NATIONAL COUNCIL DECISIONS on COUNTY RULES

1. One vote per person at an Annual General Meeting is not acceptable (NC. Minute (1971/2) 43) (see Model Rule 10.6).
2. One vote per person at an Annual General Meeting is not acceptable even for matters other than alterations to Rules (NC. Minute (1974/5) 24.6.3) (see Model Rule 10.6).
3. County Rules may provide that each Officer shall be entitled to one vote at the Annual General Meeting, notwithstanding the principle in paragraph 1 above (NC. Minute (1974/5) 24.6.1) (see Model Rule 10.6).
4. Even if the Officers are entitled to one vote each, no minimum is prescribed for the value of the vote of a Local League – the Rules Committee is in each case to look at the overall voting provisions and comment if necessary (NC. Minute (1974/5) 24.6.2) (see Model Rule 10.6).
5. A County Association may provide for members of Organisations in Good Standing to be eligible to compete in its Closed Championships (NC. Minute (1971/2) 80 and Tournament Regulations, Part I, 3.4 in Document 621/59/AW).
6. A County Association is entirely free to decide its own Rules for eligibility for its Closed Championships (NC. Minute (1972/3) 51.8.5).
7. Any Rule which seeks to compel every player playing within the jurisdiction of, or even resident in, a County to hold himself “tied” to that County is an unnecessary restraint on play which is of no practical value. Such a rule is unacceptable. (NC. Minute (1972/3) 51.8.6, amplified by NC. Minute (1974/5) 24.6.4).
8. A National Councillor must be entitled to a vote in the County Committee (NC. Minute (1973/4) 84.1 approving Rules Committee Minute (1973/4) 18).
9. A County Association may not make provision for its National Councillor to be appointed other than by its Committee as provided by ETTA Rule (NC. Minute (1973/4) 84 approving Rules Committee Minute (1973/4) 19).
10. Notwithstanding the principle set out in Decisions no. 1 and 2 above it is acceptable for the Rules to allow a matter to be decided on a show of hands of persons entitled to take part in a Block Vote PROVIDED THAT any such person has the right to require a Block Vote (NC. Minute (1980/1) 54.1.1.1) (see Model Rule 10.6).
11. The Rules must require that all cheques etc are signed by at least two people (NC. Minute (1980/1) 54.1.1.3) (see Model Rule 12.2).
12. A County Association may not charge a fee for Good Standing (NC. Minute (1982/3) 34.1.2.4 approving Rules Committee Minute (1981/2) 65).

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13. A County Association may but is not obliged to accept into Good Standing a Schools League or School Club which is not in membership of the English Schools Table Tennis Association (NC. Minute (1990/1) 36.3.5).

Responsible Committee: Rules

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ANNEX D to APPENDIX L to RULES - FEES

<u>No</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Regulation</u>	<u>Fee</u>
1	Team Entry Fee - Premier Division team	4.2	£343.00
2	Team Entry Fee - other Division team	4.2	£171.60
3	Computer Ranking Scheme Levy for each team	4.2	£26.90
4	Player Registration Fee - Premier Division Player	4.2,11.5.1	£42.85
5	Player Registration Fee - other Division Player	4.2,11.5.1	£20.30
6	Transfer Fee	12.2.1	£25.00
7	Guarantee Deposit - for a club's 1st team	5.1	£178.00
8	Guarantee Deposit - for each other team	5.1	£122.00
9	Venue Surcharge - all teams	7	to be determined

ANNEX E to APPENDIX L to RULES (Regulation 7)

- 1 A Publicity and Promotion Officer shall be appointed responsible for overall promotion of the club's matches
- 2 A club Secretary shall be appointed responsible for the club's commitments in the League

ANNEX F to APPENDIX L to RULES - FINES and PENALTIES

<u>No</u>	<u>Offence</u>	<u>Regulation</u>	<u>Fine (max)</u>
1	Failure to use nominated match ball	23.1	£5.00
2	Failure of team to arrive at scheduled match (plus League and opponent's expenses)	23.1	£100.00
3	Playing with incomplete team (per player short or ineligible)	23.1	£20.00
4	Not playing in nominated kit (per player)	23.1	£5.00
5	Failure to be ready to play at appointed time (per 10 minutes late up to 30 minutes)	17	£5.00
6	Withdrawal of team without fulfilling fixtures	16.1	£100.00
7	Persistent infringement of regulations	23.3	Expulsion

ANNEX G to APPENDIX L to RULES - Forms Series BL

<u>No</u>	<u>Form</u>	<u>Regulation</u>
1	Team Entry Form	4.1
2	Fee Invoice	4.4
3	Player Registration Form	11.2.1
4	Player Transfer Form	11.2.3
5	Club Ranking List	20.1
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1 ALTERATION OF REGULATIONS

- 1.1* These Regulations may be altered only by the National Council or a body to which such power has been delegated by the National Council.
- 1.2* This Regulation (1.2), the Regulations the numbers of which are set out in Schedule A to these Regulations and Schedule A of these Regulations may be altered only in pursuance of a recommendation contained in a resolution of the Annual County Championships Conference supported by at least 2/3 of the Counties present and voting.
- 1.3 The National Council hereby delegates to the Annual County Championships Conference the power to alter, by amending, deleting or making new regulations on the same subject matter, the Regulations the numbers of which are set out in Schedule B to these Regulations.
- 1.4.1 Propositions for recommendations to the National Council for changes in Regulations, or propositions for changes in any Regulations the numbers of which are set out in Schedule B hereto, for consideration by Annual Conference may be submitted only by a participating County or by a member of the ETTA Management Committee on behalf of that Committee or by the Administrator on behalf of the Championships Committee.
- 1.4.2 Any such proposition for consideration by Annual Conference must be sent in writing to reach the Administrator by the last day in February and shall be acknowledged by the Administrator within 7 days.
- 1.4.3 All propositions so received shall be circulated to all participating Counties during March.
- 1.4.4 Amendments or alternative propositions dealing with the same subject matter shall be accepted for consideration by Annual Conference if submitted in writing and received by the Administrator not later than the last day of April.
- 1.4.5 No such proposition shall be declared carried unless supported by not less than 2/3 of the Counties present and voting at Annual Conference.

2 INTERPRETATION

- 2.1 Throughout these Regulations "Senior" shall mean "open to all players irrespective of age".
- 2.2 The Divisions next below the Premier Division shall be known as the 1st Divisions and so on.

3 NAME

- 3.1 The competition shall be known as the County Table Tennis Championships, or in the event of a sponsor so requiring by such other name including the words 'County Table Tennis Championships' as the National Council may approve.

4 PARTICIPATION

- 4.1 Entries will be accepted from any County Association which is affiliated to the English Table Tennis Association except as provided in Regulation 4.1.1.
- 4.1.1 An entry may be refused if the County Association concerned did not fulfil its commitments and administrative duties in a manner that was satisfactory to the County Championships Committee in the preceding season.
- 4.2 Entries may also be accepted from any County Association in membership of another national Association affiliated to the International Table Tennis Federation.

5 CLOSING DATE

- 5.1 The closing date for entries shall be 15th May.
- 5.2 No entry will be accepted unless accompanied by Entry Fees and Computer Ranking Scheme Levy as provided by Regulation 6.
- 5.3 Except as provided by Regulation 5.4, a County withdrawing a team from the Championships after the date of the Annual Conference shall be liable to a fine equal to the amount of the fees which would have been payable for such a team.

- 5.4 If any of these Regulations are changed by Annual Conference or by the National Council after the closing date a County Association shall be entitled to withdraw any of its teams and not be liable to pay Entry Fees for them provided that such withdrawal is made (a) in the case of a Regulation being changed by National Council without recommendation from Annual Conference, not later than 7 days after being notified of the change (b) in any other case before 1st July.

6 **ENTRY FEES and COMPUTER RANKING SCHEME LEVY**

- 6.1 The Entry Fee per team shall be as follows:
- 6.1.1 Senior Divisions Fee No 1 in Schedule F
- 6.1.2 Junior Divisions Fee No 2 in Schedule F
- 6.1.3 Veteran Divisions Fee No 3 in Schedule F
- 6.1.4 Cadet Divisions Fee No 4 in Schedule F
- 6.1.5 Over 60s Divisions Fee No 6 in Schedule F
- 6.2 In addition to Entry Fees, Computer Ranking Scheme Levy shall be paid, the amount being as shown as Fee No 7 in Schedule F.
- 6.3 All entry fees and Computer Ranking Scheme Levy shall be paid at the time of submission of entry (not later than 15th May) (see Regulation 5.2.)

7 **MATCH EXPENSES**

- 7.1 Except as provided by Regulation 7.3, each County is responsible for the expenses (travel, hotel, meals) of away matches.
- 7.2 If a visiting County uses transport other than public transport and is prevented for any reason from reaching the venue within half an hour after the agreed starting times, any loss sustained by the home County as a result shall be reimbursed by the visiting County.
- 7.3 If matches are played at a common venue or venues, expenses shall be dealt with in the manner provided by Regulation 15.

8 **HANDBOOKS**

Each County shall be entitled to 6 County Championships Handbooks for each team entered.

9 **ADMINISTRATION**

- 9.1* The Championships shall be administered by a committee (to be known as the County Championships Committee) approved by the ETTA Management Committee.
- 9.2 An Administrator, who shall be ex-officio a voting member of the Committee, shall be appointed by the Annual Conference. In the event of a vacancy requiring to be filled before the next Annual Conference, the Committee shall have power to appoint the Administrator, subject to ratification by National Council.
- 9.3 The Championships Committee shall have power to appoint such other officials as it shall think fit.
- 9.4 The Referee and Deputy Referee of the Championships shall be entitled to attend all meetings of the Championships Committee with the right to speak but not vote.

10 **ANNUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS CONFERENCE**

- 10.1* An Annual Conference shall be held in the first or second week of June in each season.
- 10.2 Notice specifying the place, date, hour and Agenda shall be given to the Secretary of every participating County Association and to the Secretary of every ETTA County Association not later than 10th May.
- 10.3* Each County Association which participated during the current season or which has entered a team for the coming season shall be entitled to send one delegate with power to vote.
- 10.4* Additionally every ETTA County Association which is not entitled to send a delegate under Regulation 10.3 shall be entitled to send one observer with right to speak but not to vote.

- 10.5* Members of the Management Committee and of the County Championships Committee shall be entitled to attend with right to speak, but not to vote unless also a delegate under Regulation 10.3.
- 10.6 The Referee and Deputy Referee of the Championships shall be entitled to attend with right to speak but not to vote unless also a delegate under Regulation 10.3.
- 10.7 The Chairman of the County Championships Committee, if present, shall be Chairman of the Conference; otherwise the Conference shall elect its own chairman.
- 10.8 The minutes of the Annual Conference shall be submitted to the National Council at its first meeting after the Annual General Meeting.
- 10.9 The Agenda shall include the following:
to elect a chairman if the Chairman of the County Championships Committee is not present;
- 10.9.2 to read the minutes of the previous Annual Conference;
- 10.9.3 to consider any matters arising from 10.9.2;
- 10.9.4 to receive and consider the County Championships section of the Annual Report of the Management Committee;
- 10.9.5 to consider any alterations to Regulations;
- 10.9.6 to appoint an Administrator;
- 10.9.7 to appoint a Referee and Deputy Referee;
- 10.9.8 to receive the Divisions for the following season;
- 10.9.9 to consider any other business of which written notice has been received by the Administrator not later than 1st May.
- 10.10 **Voting**
- 10.10.1 Every matter except a resolution under Regulation 1.2. shall be determined by a majority of the votes of delegates under Regulation 10.3 present and voting.
- 10.10.2 No resolution under Regulation 1.2 shall be declared carried unless supported by at least 2/3 of the delegates under Regulation 10.3 present and voting.
- 10.10.3 In the case of equality of votes the chairman of the Conference shall have a casting vote (being a second vote if the chairman is a delegate under Regulation 10.3).
- 10.11 Each County Association having a representative at the Annual Conference may claim travelling expenses for one representative at Rate No 1 in Schedule F; each County Association having a team or teams in the Championships in the season shall pay an equal share of such expenses.
- 11 **COMPOSITION OF DIVISIONS**
- 11.1 The number and size of Divisions shall depend on the total number of teams in the relevant age section of the Championships and shall be in accordance with the chart set out in Schedule C to this regulation except that, if the number of teams in that age section is less than 25, the composition of the Divisions shall be determined by the Administrator.
- 11.2 If vacancies occur in more than one division of equal status Regulation 13 shall apply.
- 11.3 A new team shall be placed in the lowest division.
- 11.4 If any team other than the bottom or only team of a County in any one section (section meaning Cadet, Junior, Senior, Veteran or Over 60) is withdrawn, all lower teams from that County in the same section shall also be withdrawn.
- 11.5 There shall not be more than one team from any one County in a Premier Division. All other Divisions may contain more than one team from the same County.
- 11.6. Any vacancy in any division other than the lowest shall be filled by promoting from the next lower division the team which was most highly placed in the preceding season subject to Regulation 11.5. If more than one team is eligible through being equally placed, the one to be promoted shall be decided by lot.
- 11.7* Players participating in the Cadet Divisions must be under 15 years of age on 31st December during the current Administrative Year.

- 11.8* Players participating in the Junior Divisions must be under 18 years of age on 31st December during the current Administrative Year.
- 11.9* Players participating in the Veterans' Divisions must be 40 years of age or over on 1st January during the current Administrative Year.
- 11.10 Players participating in the Over 60s Divisions must be 60 years of age or over on 1st January during the current Administrative Year.

12 AWARD OF POINTS AND DIVISION ORDER

- 12.1 Two points shall be awarded for a win and one for a draw.
- 12.2 The positions in division shall be determined by the number of points obtained, awarded in accordance with Regulation 12.1.
- 12.3 If two Counties are level on points then the ratio of sets won to sets lost shall determine the position; if level on sets then the ratio of games won to games lost shall determine the position; if level on games the matter shall be left to the discretion of the Championships Committee

13 FILLING VACANCIES

- 13.1 In any case where for the purposes of relegation, promotion or filling vacancies caused by withdrawal it is necessary to decide into which vacancies in divisions of equal status a number of teams shall go, they shall be placed in the vacancies of their choice but if more than one team choose the same vacancy it shall be allocated by lot.

14 RELEGATION AND PROMOTION

- 14.1 One team shall be promoted from each Division as appropriate with reference to Schedule C.
- 14.2 In each Division, the number of teams to be relegated shall be equal to the total number of teams to be promoted. Those teams to be relegated shall be provided on an equal basis from each Division on the same level. For example, if there is a total of two teams to be promoted from Division 2, then two teams will be relegated from Division 1, that is one from Division 1A and one from Division 1B. If there is a total of four teams to be promoted from Division 2, then four teams will be relegated from Division 1, that is two from Division 1A and two from Division 1B.

15 POOLED EXPENSES

- 15.1 The Counties concerned in matches played in accordance with Regulation 17.4 and 17.5 shall pool travel and accommodation expenses as follows:
- 15.1.1 Travelling expenses at Rate No 2 in Schedule F per person may be stated subject to the provisions of Regulation 15.1.3, mileage being calculated direct from the home of the person to the venue and return to home.
- 15.1.2 If overnight accommodation is necessary between the Saturday and Sunday fixtures, this may be stated at Rate No 3 in Schedule F for each representative concerned.
- 15.1.3 The number of representatives for which a County shall be entitled to claim is determined according to Division as follows:
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| 15.1.3.1 Cadet & Junior Premier Divisions: | 8, including the umpire provided under Regulation 26 |
| 15.1.3.2 Cadet & Junior Divisions played at mutually agreed venues and with consent of the Counties concerned, as provided by Regulation 17.5 | 8 |
| 15.1.3.3 Senior Premier Division | 7, including the umpire provided under Regulation 26 |
| 15.1.3.4 Other Senior Divisions | 6 |
| 15.1.3.5 Veteran & Over 60 Divisions | 5 |
- 15.1.4 The total stated expenses for the Counties concerned in matches played in accordance with Regulation 17.4 shall be shared equally by them.

15.2 Any County which falls to send a team to a session of matches played to which Regulation 15.1 applies shall be liable for their share of the expenses pool with a nil allowance for their own expenses.

16. **FIXTURES**

16.1 A team shall play one match against each other team in the same division, except as provided by Regulation 16.3.

16.2 A team shall, as far as possible, play home and away against another team in alternate seasons.

16.3 Where there are 5 or fewer teams in a Division, the Counties in that Division present at the Annual Conference may decide by simple majority to play home and away in the same season instead of only one match against each other.

16.4 Where there are two or more teams from the same County in the same Division, the matches between the teams in the same County must be programmed and played before December 31st in each season.

17 **DATE OF MATCHES**

17.1 All dates shall be fixed provisionally by the Administrator by the 30th June.

17.2 Any amendment must be notified in writing or by email to the Administrator by both Counties by the 10th August.

17.3 If a match has not been or cannot be played on the date fixed because of unforeseen circumstances (e.g. travel delay) or because of national/local factors (e.g. floods, no electricity or fuel), the Administrator may at his discretion allow a postponement. Within 21 days of being notified by the Administrator that a postponement has been allowed, the Counties concerned must rearrange the match and both Counties must notify the Administrator of the agreed date. If such notification is not received within the stipulated 21 days the Administrator shall fix a date on or before which the match must be played.

17.4 The Senior, Junior and Cadet Premier Divisions shall be played on a group basis over two weekends during the season on dates and at venues arranged by the Administrator.

17.5 In any Division the Counties concerned may, by mutual agreement, play off their fixtures over two or three weekends at a mutually agreed venue. After such agreement has been reached each County shall immediately confirm in writing or by email to the Administrator its consent to such arrangements and the organising County shall notify to the Administrator in writing the name of the appointed Organiser together with a contact address. The fixtures shall be played strictly in accordance with the order listed in the County Championships handbook unless the consent of the Administrator has been obtained to vary the order. At any such weekend, each team shall provide at least one person to perform umpiring duties unless permission has been granted in advance by the organising County not to do so. Failure to provide an umpire shall, for each match where the team is the 'home' team, incur a fine as in Schedule F Part II 3 (Incomplete team). The Organiser shall have due regard to Regulation 21.1.2.

18 **ALTERATION OF DATES**

18.1 Dates may be brought forward by mutual agreement of both Counties. The Administrator must be advised at least six weeks before the revised date.

18.2 Any alteration of the date of a match shall be subject to the consent of the Administrator and the match played within the time limit laid down by him. For each alteration Fee No 8 in Schedule F will be charged, payable by the County requesting the alteration, or as agreed by the Counties concerned.

18.3 In the event of a disagreement over dates the Administrator shall fix a date on which the match shall be played.

18.4 Except for matches in the Senior or Junior Premier Divisions, a County shall be entitled to claim a postponement of a match because of players being on International Duty, but only if not fewer than 2 of their players are required by the ETTA.

19 PLAYERS' ELIGIBILITY QUALIFICATIONS

- 19.1 To be eligible to represent a County a player must at the date of the match be a member of a Local League affiliated to that County or of a club affiliated (either directly or through a local League) to that County and, except as provided in 19.2, must have been born in or reside in that County or have represented it on at least 6 occasions (under Regulation 19.3).
- 19.2 Exceptionally, a player who has only been a member of a Local League affiliated to a County Association may represent that County without having any other qualification.
- 19.3 A player who has played on 6 or more occasions for one County retains a qualification for the County until that qualification is cancelled by the registration of that player for another County.
- 19.4 No player may play for more than one County in any one season.

20 REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS, RANKING and ELIGIBILITY

- 20.1 Each season each County shall register all players by supplying the Administrator with separate lists, in order of merit, of Cadet Boys, Cadet Girls, Junior Boys, Junior Girls, Senior Men, Senior Women, Veteran Men, Veteran Women, Over 60s Men and Over 60s Women. The qualification of each player under Regulation 19 shall be indicated and the date of birth of every Cadet, Junior, Intermediate, Veteran and Over 60s player given. No two players shall be ranked equally on any list. The lists must be sent to the Administrator bearing a postmark or email date not later than 6 days before the first match of the County in question.
- 20.2 Additional players may be registered or the order of merit altered at any time by sending a revised Registration List to the Administrator, but any such registration or alteration will not take effect until 6 days after the date of the postmark or email date.
- 20.2.1 In an emergency a County may register a player by obtaining oral agreement to registration and ranking from the Administrator. A completed Ranking List must be sent to the Administrator by first class post or email not later than 48 hours after the oral registration: if this is not done the registration will be invalid.
- 20.3 If satisfactory information showing a players' entitlement to be registered is not provided, the Administrator may refuse to accept the registration, and in that case shall notify the registering County forthwith.
- 20.4 In the Senior Competitions, the top 3 men and the top 2 women shall be eligible to play only for the 1st team; the next 3 men and the next 2 women shall be eligible to play only for the 1st and 2nd teams; the next 3 men and the next 2 women shall be eligible to play only for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd teams; and so on.
- 20.5 In the Cadet and Junior Competitions, the top 3 boys and the top 2 girls shall be eligible to play only for the 1st team; the next 3 boys and the next 2 girls shall be eligible to play only for the 1st and 2nd teams; the next 3 boys and the next 2 girls shall be eligible to play only for the 1st, 2nd and 3d teams; and so on.
- 20.6 In the Veteran and Over 60s Competitions, the top 3 men and top woman shall be eligible to play only for the 1st team; the next 3 men and the next woman shall be eligible to play for only for the 1st and 2nd teams; the next 3 men and the next woman shall be eligible to play only for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd teams; and so on.
- 20.7 A player shall not be eligible to play for a team if he has played on 3 or more occasions in that season for a higher team or teams.
- 20.8 Players must play in order of merit in accordance with their County's current Registration List. A player playing out of order shall be deemed ineligible for the purposes of Regulation 20.9.
- 20.9 If an unregistered or ineligible player takes part in a match, the sets affected will be awarded to the opposing County, each County being notified of such infringement.
- 20.10 The Administrator shall, on the written request of any player, forthwith remove that player's name from a County's Registration List, at the same time notifying that County.

21 VENUE AND TIME OF START

- 21.1.1 The home County must send to the visiting County details of the venue and the proposed starting time bearing a postmark or email date not later than 14 days prior to the match unless the visiting County agrees to accept a later notification.
- 21.1.2 In respect of matches played in accordance with Regulation 17.5 the organising County must send to each of the participating Counties details of the venue and in each case the proposed starting time of that County's first match and such information must be sent bearing a postmark or email date not later than 14 days prior to the match.
- 21.1.3 Fine No 1 in Schedule F shall be imposed on the Home County for failure to comply with this regulation.
- 21.2 In the absence of prior agreement between the Counties concerned, obtained in writing or by email at least 21 days before the relevant fixture, a match shall not commence before 2.30 pm.
- 21.3 In the absence of prior agreement between the Counties concerned, obtained in writing or by email at least 21 days before the relevant fixture, a match shall not commence later than 4.00 pm for a Cadet or Junior match and 6.00 pm for a Senior, Veteran or Over 60s match.
- Note:** Consideration should be given to a start early enough to enable visiting teams to arrive back at a reasonable time on the same evening as the match.
- 21.4 Regulations 21.2 and 21.3 shall not apply to Premier Division weekends or to any matches played in accordance with Regulation 17.5.

22 NOTIFICATION OF TEAMS

- 22.1 For each match each County shall supply to the opposing County details of the players stating the order of merit and the name of the team captain and in respect of matches played in accordance with Regulation 17.5 each of the participating counties shall supply similar information to the organising County; such information being sent bearing a postmark or email date not later than 14 days before the match or commencement of the weekend as the case may be.
- 22.2 In all matches the doubles pairings for a particular set need not be notified to the referee until after the end of the previous set.

23 LAWS, ITTF REGULATIONS, PLAYING CONDITIONS AND EQUIPMENT

- 23.1 There shall apply to the matches governed by these Regulations the Laws of Table Tennis as approved by ETTA and, in so far as they are not inconsistent with these Regulations and do not themselves limit their applicability to competitions other than this, the current ITTF Regulations for International Competitions 3.2 to 3.5, covering Equipment and Playing Conditions, Jurisdiction of Officials and Match Conduct and Discipline.
- 23.2 For all matches the venue shall be up to the standard prescribed in Schedule D hereto.
- 23.3 Balls shall be of a brand and grade currently approved by the ITTF.
- 23.4 In all matches governed by these Regulations the regulations contained in Appendix R to ETTA Rules (Racket Testing) shall apply.

24 DRESS

Players taking part in a match in these Championships shall comply with the dress regulations set out in Schedule E hereto.

25 MATCH PROCEDURE

- 25.1 A match shall consist of 10 sets.
- 25.2 Each set shall consist of the best of 5 games.
- 25.3 For every match the home County shall appoint a Match Referee whose responsibilities, powers and duties shall be as set out in Schedule G to these Regulations.

- 25.4 Any set not commenced within 5 minutes of the time fixed for the commencement of the match, or from the end of the previous set, owing to the absence of one player, shall be awarded to the opposing County or if both players are absent then the set shall not be counted in the result.
- 25.5 A County not fulfilling a fixture on the due date shall be liable to forfeit the match subject to appeal to the Championships Committee in the event of extenuating circumstances. The Committee may also impose Fine No 2 in Schedule F.
- 25.6 Where a County fails to fulfil a fixture the Championships Committee shall have power to order that County to pay the opposing County all expenses incurred by the latter in notifying the cancellation and any other expenses in connection with the match which cannot be avoided.
- 25.7 Where a County has an incomplete team, all sets involving players nominated under Regulation 23 but absent, and for whom no reserves are present, shall be forfeited to the opposing County. A County fielding an incomplete team shall be liable to Fine No 3 in Schedule F.
- 25.8 The home County shall be responsible for completing the scoresheet and copy and for forwarding these to the Administrator by 1st Class mail bearing a postmark not later than 2 days after the day on which the match was completed; both scoresheet and copy shall be signed by both captains and by the Match Referee to signify their acceptance of the scoresheet as a correct record.
- 25.9 The home or organising County shall also be responsible for communicating the result(s) by telephone, e-mail or fax to the ETTA Office not later than 48 hours after the completion of play.

26 PREMIER (SENIOR, JUNIOR AND CADETS) DIVISION UMPIRES

- 26.1 Each County competing in a Senior Premier Division, Junior Premier Division or Cadet Premier Weekend shall be responsible for paying the expenses of the person assigned to that County to perform umpiring duties (see Regulation 15.1.3).

Note: For each 'weekend' the National Umpires and Referees Committee will appoint qualified umpires at the rate of 1 per County taking part in the weekend.

27 ORDER OF PLAY

- 27.1 Veteran and Over 60s Divisions – 10 set match

1	Men's Singles	No 2 v No 1
2	Men's Singles	No 3 v No 3
3	Men's Singles	No 1 v No 2
4	Mixed Doubles 1	
5	Men's Singles	No 2 v No 3
6	Women's Singles	
7	Men's Doubles	
8	Men's Singles	No 3 v No 2
9	Men's Singles	No 1 v No 1
10	Mixed Doubles 2	

Note

Only one man may play in four sets and no man may play in both mixed doubles

- 27.2 Senior Divisions - 10 set match

1	Men's Singles	No 2 v No 1
2	Men's Singles	No 3 v No 3
3	Women's Singles	No 1 v No 2
4	Men's Singles	No 1 v No 2
5	Women's Singles	No 2 v No 1
6	Men's Singles	No 2 v No 3
7	Women's Singles	No 2 v No 2
8	Men's Singles	No. 1 v No 1
9	Women's Singles	No 1 v No 1
10	Men's Singles	No 3 v No 2

27.3 Cadet and Junior Divisions - 10 set match

1	Boys' Singles	No 2 v No 1
2	Boys' Singles	No 3 v No 3
3	Girls' Singles	No 1 v No 2
4	Boys' Singles	No 1 v No 2
5	Girls' Singles	No 2 v No 1
6	Boys' Singles	No 2 v No 3
7	Girls' Singles	No 2 v No 2
8	Boys' Singles	No 1 v No 1
9	Girls' Singles	No 1 v No 1
10	Boys' Singles	No 3 v No 2

27.4 The order of play may be altered by mutual consent.

28 COMPLAINTS

28.1 In the event of a County failing to comply with these Regulations or the Rules or any other Regulations of the ETTA the opposing County shall have grounds for lodging a complaint.

28.2 No complaint in respect of the playing conditions shall be entertained unless it was made to the Match Referee before the commencement of the 5th set of the match, except that if the conditions change subsequently the complaint may be made to the Match Referee as soon as practicable.

28.3 A County shall have grounds for lodging a complaint if the level of noise or movement outside the arena is sufficient to interfere with play. Such complaints shall be made to the Match Referee as soon as practicable.

28.4 A County intending to lodge a complaint relating to the arrangements for a match or the conditions of play or the playing of the match shall have notice of its intention recorded on the scoresheet by the Match Referee. The notice of intent must be signed by the team captain of the complainant County and by the Match Referee.

28.5 Full details of any complaint under Regulation 28.1 (stating whether the match is claimed under Regulation 29.1) shall be sent in triplicate to the Administrator bearing a postmark not later than the 2nd day after the date agreed for playing the match.

28.6 The Administrator shall immediately send a copy of the complaint to the opposing County.

28.7 If the opposing County wishes to refute the complaint an answer in triplicate must be sent to the Administrator bearing a postmark not more than 2 days after the copy of the complaint was sent (or the postmark on the copy complaint, if later).

28.8 The Administrator shall immediately send a copy of the answer to the complaining County.

28.9 Copies of the complaint and answer shall be sent to the Referee with a statement by the Administrator.

28.10 No amendment of or addition to a complaint or answer shall be allowed, but a County receiving a copy of an answer may inform the Administrator in writing bearing a postmark not later than the day after receiving such copy if any statement therein is considered to be incorrect.

28.11 A complaint or answer which is not in proper form or which is out of time shall be ignored.

28.12 The decision of the Championships Referee shall be final.

29 CLAIMS

29.1 If a breach of Regulation or Rule relating to the arrangements for a match or the playing of a match puts a County at a disadvantage in the match, that County may lodge with the complaint under Regulation 28.1, a claim for the match to be forfeited by the opposing County.

29.2 Any County making a claim under Regulation 29.1 shall notify the Administrator at the time of making the complaint under Regulation 28.1.

29.3 The decision of the Championships Referee shall be final.

29.4 The Administrator shall send a copy of a complaint containing a claim for forfeiture to the County against which the claim is made as provided by Regulation 28.6. Unless an answer is received bearing a postmark not later than 8 days after the date of the postmark under which the copy complaint was sent by the Administrator, the Administrator shall notify that County that the match has been forfeited.

30 NON-RECEIPT OF SCORE SHEET

If the scoresheet has not been received by the Administrator within 5 days of the day on which the match was completed (see Regulation 25.8) the Administrator shall notify the home County that if a scoresheet is still not received within a further 5 days of the date of such notification then Fine No 4 in Schedule F shall be imposed on the home County.

31 FINES

31.1 Fine No 4 in Schedule F as distinct from penalties or postponement fees may be imposed by the Administrator for breach of these Regulations.

31.2 All fines must be paid to the Administrator not later than 14 days after the date of the postmark on the notification or of the date on which any appeal against the fine is dismissed whichever is the later.

32 APPEAL AGAINST FORFEITURE (REGULATION 29.4 OR 30) OR AGAINST FINE

32.1 A County may appeal against the forfeiture of a match under Regulation 29.4 or 30 or a fine under Regulation 31.

32.2 Such appeal must be sent to the Administrator in triplicate accompanied by Fee No 9 in Schedule F bearing a postmark not later than 14 days after the date of the postmark on the notification of forfeiture or fine.

32.3 The appeal shall be adjudicated by the Championships Committee, there being excluded from the Committee whilst adjudicating the Administrator and any member of the Committee who is also a member of the appealing County.

32.4 The appeal fee shall be refunded if the appeal is upheld either by the Championships Committee or by the Board of Appeal.

33 PENALTIES

33.1 All matters arising under Regulations 28, 29 and 30 shall be reported by the Administrator to the Championships Committee.

33.2 The Championships Committee shall have power to impose Fine No 5 in Schedule F and/or suspension or may refer the matter to the Disciplinary Committee.

33.3 Any penalty imposed shall be paid not later than 28 days after the date of the postmark on the notification; if it is not, unless it is the subject of an appeal, the person or County concerned shall automatically be suspended from taking part in the County Championships until the penalty has been paid.

33.4 The Championships Committee shall have power to award any part of the penalty imposed to any other party concerned.

34 MATTERS NOT COVERED BY REGULATIONS

In the event of any matter arising relating to the Championships which is not covered by the foregoing Regulations it shall be dealt with by the Championships Committee whose decision shall be final.

35 LESLIE FORREST MEMORIAL TROPHY

35.1 This trophy shall be awarded each season at the discretion of the ETTA Honours Committee to the person who, in an administrative capacity in a participating County, has made the greatest contribution to table tennis in the County field, other than a previous holder of the Trophy.

- 35.2 A nomination for the Award may be made only by a County Association and must be sent to the ETTA General Secretary. Nominations received by him not later than the date of the first National Council meeting of the calendar year shall have preference.

SCHEDULE A TO REGULATION 1.2

(In 1975 the ETTA and the County Table Tennis Championships, which was at that time an independent body, agreed that in future the competition would be administered by the ETTA. In order that the traditional organisation and structure of the Championships should not be changed without the assent of the participating counties it was agreed to include in regulations a Schedule A, which would contain a list of those regulations which could be altered only on the recommendation of the County Championships Conference).

Regulations which may be changed only after recommendation by the Annual County Championships Conference.

Regulations 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9.2, 9.3, 10.7, 10.9.8, 10.10.2, 10.10.3, 11 to 27 inclusive, 28 to 33 inclusive, 35.1, 35.2, Schedule A.

SCHEDULE B TO REGULATION 1.3.

Regulations which may be changed by the Annual County Championships Conference under powers delegated by the National Council.

Regulations 5, 11 to 18 inclusive, 20 to 33 inclusive, Schedule D and Schedule E.

SCHEDULE C – NUMBER & SIZE of DIVISIONS

	No of Teams		No of Teams		No of Teams		No of Teams	
P			25	8	26	8	27	8
D1				9 8		9 9		10 9
P	28	8	29	6	30	6	31	7
D1		10 10		6 6		6 6		6 6
D2				6 5		6 6		6 6
P	32	8	33	8	34	8	35	8
D1		6 6		7 6		7 7		7 7
D2		6 6		6 6		6 6		7 6
P	36	8	37	8	38	8	39	8
D1		7 7		8 7		8 8		8 8
D2		7 7		7 7		7 7		8 7
P	40	8	41	8	42	8	43	8
D1		8 8		8 8		8 8		9 8
D2		8 8		9 8		9 9		9 9
P	44	8	45	8	46	8	47	8
D1		9 9		7 6		7 7		8 7
D2		9 9		6 6 6 6		6 6 6 6		6 6 6 6
P	48	8	49	8	50	8	51	8
D1		8 8		8 8		8 8		8 8
D2		6 6 6 6		7 6 6 6		7 7 6 6		7 7 7 6
P	52	8	53	8	54	8	55	8
D1		8 8		8 8		8 8		8 8
D2		7 7 7 7		8 7 7 7		8 8 7 7		8 8 8 7
P	56	8	57	8	58	8	59	8
D1		8 8		8 8		8 8		8 8
D2		8 8 8 8		9 8 8 8		9 9 8 8		9 9 9 8
P	60	8	61	8	62	8	63	8
D1		8 8		8 8		8 8		8 8
D2		9 9 9 9		10 9 9 9		10 10 9 9		10 10 10 9
P	64	8	65	8	66	8	67	8
D1		8 8		9 8		8 8		8 8
D2		10 10 10		10 10 10		7 7		8 7
D3		10		10		7 7 7 7		7 7 7 7
P	68	8	69	8	70	8	71	8
D1		8 8		8 8		8 8		8 8
D2		8 8		8 8		8 8		8 8
D3		7 7 7 7		8 7 7 7		8 8 7 7		8 8 8 7
P	72	8	73	8	74	8	75	8
D1		8 8		8 8		8 8		8 8
D2		8 8		8 8		8 8		8 8
D3		8 8 8 8		9 8 8 8		9 9 8 8		9 9 9 8
P	76	8	77	8	78	8	79	8
D1		8 8		8 8		8 8		8 8
D2		8 8		8 8		8 8		8 8
D3		9 9 9 9		10 9 9 9		10 10 9 9		10 10 10 9

SCHEDULE D TO REGULATION 23.2 - PLAYING CONDITIONS**1 TABLE**

The table shall be an ITTF approved brand of table.

2 NETS

The net shall be of mesh and of dark shade of green (Law 2 of the game should be noted).

3 FLOOR

The floor shall not be of stone or linoleum but of hard, non-slippery wood or thermoplastic, not white or brightly reflecting. This requirement may be waived if agreed by the Visiting County in writing bearing a postmark not later than 21 days prior to the match.

4 BACKGROUND

The background should for preference be of a uniform dark green or other uniform dark colour, not light (or patchy) as this tends to unsight the players.

5 PLAYING SPACE

The playing area shall be

(1) for Senior Premier Division matches ETTA Grade 2: Length 39 feet 3 inches (12m); Width 19 feet 9 inches (6m); Unobstructed height 13 feet (4m)

(2) for other matches at least ETTA Grade 3: Length 33 feet (10m); width 16 feet 6 inches (5m); unobstructed height 9 feet 9 inches (3m).

This requirement may be waived if agreed by the visiting County in writing bearing a postmark not later than 21 days prior to the match.

6 LIGHTING

6.1 The light intensity, measured at the height of the playing surface, shall not be less than specified hereafter uniformly over the whole of the playing surface, and the intensity at any other part of the playing area shall not be less than half the intensity over the playing surface - 500 lux.

6.2 The light source shall not be less than 4m above the floor for Premier Division matches and not less than 3m above the floor for other matches.

6.3 The requirements in paragraphs 6.1 and 6.2 may be waived if agreed by the visiting County in writing bearing a postmark not later than 21 days prior to the match.

7 PRACTICE

The away team shall be entitled to practise on the match table for at least 30 minutes immediately before the official starting time of the match except for matches played under Regulation 17.4, when all times permitted for practising shall be at the complete discretion of the appointed Referee.

8 VENUE

For every match the host County shall ensure that the venue is ready for play at least 60 minutes before the time arranged for the match to start.

SCHEDULE E TO REGULATION 24 - PLAYING CLOTHING

- 1 Shoes to be rubber soled or sports type.
- 2 Socks to be clean, white or registered colours and ankle length.
- 3 Players' clothing shall conform to the requirements of the Playing Clothing section of Appendix C to Rules (see below).
- 4 Pullovers, cardigans, or slipovers, if worn, to be the same colour as shirt etc., and must not be removed during any one game.
- 5 All players in a team shall wear matching dress of a colour to be chosen by the County concerned and registered with the Administrator, a list of the registered colours being published in the handbook. A County wishing to change its registered colours must notify the Administrator not later than 10th August. Second choice colours may also be registered, to be worn by a team when playing away against a team having the same first choice of colours.
- 6 In the event of an official presentation of the players to the public, the players shall observe paragraphs 3 and 4.
- 7 If a player representing his or her County fails to adhere to the above regulations the matter shall be reported to the Administrator by the Match Referee.

Extract from ITTF regulations for International Competitions (see Regulation 23.1)

- 3.2.2.1 Playing clothing shall normally consist of a short-sleeved or sleeveless shirt and shorts or skirt or one-part sports outfits, socks and playing shoes; other garments, such as part or all of a track suit, shall not be worn during play except with the permission of the referee.
- 3.2.2.2 The main colour of a shirt, skirt or shorts, other than sleeves and collar of a shirt shall be clearly different from that of the ball in use.
- 3.2.2.3 Clothing may bear numbers or lettering on the back of the shirt to identify a player, his Association or, in club matches, his club, and advertisements in accordance with the provisions of 3.2.4.9; if the back of a shirt bears the player's name, this shall be situated just below the collar.
- 3.2.2.4 Any numbers required by organisers to identify a player shall have priority over advertisements on the centre part of the back of a shirt; such numbers shall be contained within a panel having an area not greater than 600cm².
- 3.2.2.5 Any markings or trimming on the front or side of a playing garment and any objects such as jewellery worn by a player shall not be so conspicuous or brightly reflecting as to unsight an opponent.
- 3.2.2.6 Clothing shall not carry designs or lettering which might cause offence or bring the game into disrepute.
- 3.2.2.7 Any question of the legality or acceptability of playing clothing shall be decided by the referee.
- 3.2.5.10 Advertisements on playing clothing shall be limited to
 - 3.2.5.10.1. the maker's normal trademark, symbol or name contained within a total area of 24cm²;
 - 3.2.5.10.2. not more than 6 clearly separated advertisements, contained within a combined total area of 600cm², on the front, side or shoulder of a shirt, with not more than 4 advertisements on the front;
 - 3.2.5.10.3 not more than 2 advertisements, contained within a total area of 400cm², on the back of a shirt;
 - 3.2.5.10.4 not more than 2 advertisements, contained within a combined total area of 120cm², only on the front and the sides of shorts or skirt.
- 3.2.5.11. Advertisements on players' numbers shall be contained within a total area of 100cm².
- 3.2.5.12 Advertisements on umpires' clothing shall be contained within a total area of 40cm².
- 3.2.5.13. There shall be no advertisements on players' clothing or numbers for tobacco goods, alcoholic drinks or harmful drugs.

SCHEDULE F - FINANCIAL**Part I - Fees**

<u>Fee No</u>		<u>Regulation</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1	Senior team	6.1.1	£42.85
2	Junior team	6.1.2	£25.95
3	Veteran team	6.1.3	£42.85
4	Cadet team	6.1.4	£25.95
5	Over 60s team	6.1.5	£42.85
6	Computer Ranking Scheme Levy/team	6.2	
6.1	Veteran and Over 60s		£23.15
6.2	Senior		£27.00
6.3	Cadet		£15.75
6.4	Junior		£15.75
7	Date alteration	18.2	£2.00
8	Appeal	32.2	£4.00

Part II - Fines

<u>Fine No</u>		<u>Regulation</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1	Late or no notice of venue, etc	21.2	£20.00
2	Unplayed match	25.5	£20.00
3	Incomplete team	17.5, 25.7	£10.00
4	Sundry - Administrator	30, 31.1	£20.00
5	Penalty - Committee	33.2	£20.00

Part III - Expense Rate

<u>Rate No.</u>		<u>Regulation</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1	Conference travel (or 2nd class rail fare)	10.11	7p/mile
2	Other travel	15.1.1	4p/mile
3	Overnight	15.1.2	£20.00

SCHEDULE G - RESPONSIBILITIES, POWERS AND DUTIES OF MATCH REFEREE**1 APPOINTMENT**

- 1.1 (Regulation 25.3) For every match the home County shall appoint a Match Referee ("the Referee"), except as provided in paragraph 1.3.
- 1.2 The Referee shall be a qualified umpire.
- 1.3 If there are only 2 umpires at a match, they shall alternately act as umpire and Referee; that is, when one is umpiring the other shall act as Referee and in the following set they shall exchange these duties.

2 RESPONSIBILITIES, POWERS AND DUTIES

- 2.1 The Referee is responsible for the general conduct of the match in accordance with the relevant Laws of Table Tennis and Rules of the ETTA, and the County Championships Regulations (Appendix K to ETTA Rules).
- 2.2 The Referee should have with him at the match a copy of the Laws, Rules and Regulations mentioned in paragraph 2.1.

3 VENUE

- 3.1 The Referee must arrive at the match venue sufficiently early for him to be able to check playing conditions and equipment (see Schedule D to Regulations) and to see that any necessary corrections are made; it is recommended that he arrive not later than 65 minutes before the scheduled time.
 - 3.2 He should ensure that the venue is ready for play not later than 60 minutes before the starting time (Schedule D, paragraph 8),
 - 3.3 He should ensure that the home players allow visiting players the use of the table for practice for the 30 minutes immediately before the starting time (Schedule D, para. 7).
- 4 Before the match the Referee will:
- 4.1 make himself known to the captain of each team;
 - 4.2 obtain the official score-sheet from the appropriate official of the home County;
 - 4.3 enter his own name in the space provided in the official score sheet;
 - 4.4 obtain from each captain the names and order of his team;
 - 4.5 supervise the entry of players' names on the Score sheet (see Regulation 22);
 - 4.6 approve the appointment of umpires and any other match officials and the order of umpiring;
 - 4.7 ensure that all players are correctly dressed (see Regulation 24 and Schedule E);
 - 4.8 advise umpires, and players as appropriate, on the interpretation of any Laws or Regulations which may cause contention (for example, the service law);
 - 4.9 agree with captains and players a sufficient number of acceptable balls for the match, to avoid the need for further selection after play has started.

5 During the match the Referee will:

- 5.1 be present at the match venue as near to the playing area as is practicable, and appoint a responsible deputy during any unavoidable period of absence;
- 5.2. decide any question of interpretation of Laws, Rules or Regulations (including such aspects as legality of clothing and rackets);
- 5.3 record on the score sheet any complaint made, as required by Regulation 28.4, noting the stage in the match at which it was made;
- 5.4 keep a continuous watch on the standards of umpiring, and advise where necessary (having power, if required, to change the umpire);
- 5.5 deal with any emergencies which may affect the continuity of play, such as interruption due to accident or injury;
- 5.6 ensure that there is no undue delay between sets (see Regulation 25.4).

6 After the match the Referee will:

- 6.1 ensure that the score sheet has been properly completed and signed by the two captains and himself (Regulation 25.8.);

- 6.2 report to the County Championships Administrator any rulings made, and any notable incidents related to the responsibilities of the Match Referee and in particular any complaints made under Regulations 28.2 or 28.3 3.

SCHEDULE H TO HEADNOTE - Schedule of Rule Numbers

The regulation of which the number is listed in the left hand column reproduces or is based upon the Rule of which the number is listed in the right hand column.

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1 ALTERATION OF REGULATIONS

- 1.1 These Regulations may be altered only by the National Council or a body to which such power has been delegated by the National Council.
- 1.2 The National Council hereby delegates to the Annual British Table Tennis League Conference the power to alter by amending, deleting or making new Regulations on the same subject matter as the Regulations the numbers of which are set out in Annex A to these Regulations.
- 1.3 Propositions
- 1.3.1 Propositions for recommendation to the National Council for changes in Regulations or propositions for changes in any Regulations the numbers of which are set out in Annex A hereto for consideration by Annual Conference may be submitted by a participating Club or a member of the ETTA Management Committee on behalf of that Committee or by the Committee Secretary on behalf of the British Table Tennis League Committee.
- 1.3.2 Any such proposition for consideration by Annual Conference must be sent in writing to reach the Committee Secretary by the last day in January and shall be acknowledged by the Committee Secretary within seven days.
- 1.3.3 All propositions so received shall be circulated to all participating Clubs during February.
- 1.3.4 Amendments or alternative propositions dealing with the same subject matter shall be accepted for consideration by Annual Conference if submitted in writing and received by the Committee Secretary not later than the last day of March.
- 1.4 Alterations to these regulations altering entry fees shall be effective for the following season only if approved by the National Council by the preceding 30th April. Other alterations shall take effect on such date as the body making them shall specify.

2 LICENCE

The British League is a competition licensed by the National Council in accordance with Rule 45.5.4 (2008/09).

3 COMMITTEE

- 3.1 The League shall be managed by a Committee ("the Committee") approved by the ETTA Management Committee.
- 3.2 The Committee shall consist of not fewer than 5 nor more than 7 persons to include a Chairman, a Secretary, a Press Officer and one or more British League Administrators. One person may fill more than one of these posts.
- 3.3 The Committee shall have power to decide any question arising from these Regulations and any matter concerning the conduct of the competition which is not specifically covered by these regulations.

4 ENTRY

- 4.1 Any Club which is affiliated to the English Table Tennis Association, the Guernsey Table Tennis Association, the Irish Table Tennis Association, the Isle of Man Table Tennis Association, the Jersey Table Tennis Association, the Scottish Table Tennis Association or the Table Tennis Association of Wales, either through a Local League or by direct affiliation, may apply to enter team(s) in the League. Clubs must submit documentary evidence of affiliation to the Committee Secretary not later than the 31st May prior to the season for which entry is being applied for. The Committee shall have power to accept or reject any application, or to remove a team from the League.
- 4.2 Each season each club shall pay Entry fees, Computer Ranking Scheme Levy and Player Registration Fees (see Regulation 11) the amounts of which are specified in Annex 'D'.
- 4.3 Completed entry forms must be received by the Committee Secretary by the 31st March.

- 4.4 Entry fees and, where appropriate, guarantee deposits will be invoiced to Clubs and must be paid in the manner and by the date stated on the invoice.

5 GUARANTEE DEPOSITS

- 5.1 On a team first being entered, its club shall pay a guarantee deposit of the amount specified in Annex 'D'.
- 5.2 The Committee may at any time deduct from the guarantee deposit any amount due and payable to the League in respect of the team for which the guarantee deposit is held.
- 5.3 If at any time the guarantee deposit or any part of it shall be used as provided by Regulation 5.2, the Club shall forthwith pay a sufficient amount to bring the guarantee deposit up to the amount specified in Annex D and the team concerned shall not be permitted to take part in any match until such payment has been made.
- 5.4 The guarantee deposit shall be repaid to the club when the team in respect of which it was lodged ceases to take part in the League, whether withdrawn by its club or removed by the Committee, subject to the team having fulfilled all its commitments within the League to the satisfaction of the Committee.

6 RIGHT TO WITHDRAW BECAUSE OF REGULATION CHANGE

- 6.1 If any of these Regulations is changed by Annual Conference or by the National Council after a team has entered, a club shall be entitled to withdraw that team and have the entry fee refunded provided that the team is withdrawn -
- 6.1.1 in the case of a Regulation being changed by National Council without recommendation from Annual Conference, not later than 7 days after being notified of the change
- 6.1.2 in any other case before 1st June

7 CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

Acceptance of an entry shall be conditional upon the club concerned satisfying the Committee as to its ability to meet the requirements set out in Annex C (Playing Clothing), Annex D (Fees) and Annex E (Publicity, Promotional and other requirements).

8 ANNUAL BRITISH TABLE TENNIS LEAGUE CONFERENCE

- 8.1 An Annual Conference shall be held in May or June in each season.
- 8.2 Notice specifying the place, date, hour and Agenda shall be given to the Secretary of every participating club not later than one calendar month before the date of the Conference.
- 8.3 Each team which participated during the current season shall be entitled to send one delegate with power to vote.
- 8.4 Additionally, every team which has been accepted to participate the following season shall be entitled to send one observer with right to speak but not to vote.
- 8.5 Members of the Management Committee and of the British Table Tennis League Committee shall be entitled to attend with right to speak, but not to vote unless also a delegate under Regulation 8.3
- 8.6 The Chairman of the British Table Tennis League Committee, if present, shall be chairman of the Conference, otherwise the Conference shall elect its own chairman.
- 8.7 The minutes of the Annual Conference shall be submitted to the National Council at its first meeting after the Annual General Meeting.
- 8.8 The agenda shall include the following: -
- 8.8.1 to elect a chairman, if the Chairman of the British Table Tennis League Committee is not present;
- 8.8.2 to read the minutes of the previous Annual Conference;
- 8.8.3 to consider any matters arising from 8.8.2;

- 8.8.4 to receive and consider the British Table Tennis League section of the Annual Report of the Management Committee;
- 8.8.5 to consider any alterations to regulations;
- 8.8.6 to appoint a Referee;
- 8.8.7 to receive the divisions for the following season;
- 8.8.8 to consider any other business of which written notice has been received by the Committee Secretary not later than 1st April.
- 8.9 Voting
- 8.9.1 Every matter except a resolution under Regulation 1 shall be determined by a majority of the votes of delegates under Regulation 8.3 present and voting.
- 8.9.2 No resolution under Regulation 1 shall be declared carried unless supported by at least two thirds of the delegates under Regulation 8.3 present and voting.
- 8.9.3 In the case of equality of votes the chairman of the Conference shall have the casting vote (being a second vote if the chairman is a delegate under Regulation 8.3).

9 VENUE/FACILITIES

- 9.1 Playing conditions and equipment shall conform to the requirements set out in Annex 'B' to these Regulations.
- 9.2 The court allocated for the first match of the weekend shall be available for practice 70 minutes prior to the commencement of the first round of matches:
- | | | |
|-------------------|---|------------|
| first 20 minutes | - | home team |
| second 20 minutes | - | away team |
| next 15 minutes | - | home team |
| next 15 minutes | - | away team. |
- 9.3 For all subsequent matches the court allocated for each match shall be available for practice for 30 minutes prior to the official starting time. Each team will be allocated 15 minutes and the order of practice shall be:
- | | | |
|-------------------|---|-----------|
| first 15 minutes | - | home team |
| second 15 minutes | - | away team |

10 PLAYERS' CLOTHING

Players' clothing shall conform to the requirements of the Playing Clothing section of Appendix C to ETTA Rules, which is copied in Annex C to these regulations.

11 REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS

- 11.1 Eligibility
- 11.1.1 A Club may be represented only by players whose registration has been confirmed by the Committee Secretary.
- 11.1.2 A player may be registered only if he holds a current ETTA Player Licence or is affiliated to the Guernsey, Irish, Isle of Man, Jersey, Scottish or Welsh Associations.
- 11.2 Registration Procedure
- 11.2.1 To register a player a Club Secretary must lodge with the Committee Secretary a completed Registration Application Form signed by himself and by the player, except as provided by Regulation 11.2.2.
- 11.2.2 In emergency a Club Secretary may register a player by obtaining oral agreement to registration and ranking from the Committee Secretary. A completed Registration Application Form must be sent to the Committee Secretary by first class post not later than 48 hours after the oral registration; if this is not done the registration will be invalid.
- 11.2.3 If the player to be registered is currently registered for another club the Registration Application Form must be accompanied by a completed Transfer Form.
- 11.3 Player Registration Fees paid in respect of players who have not played during the season will be refunded to Clubs by 31st May.

- 11.4 A registration shall be valid from the date of its receipt by the Committee Secretary until the day following the last fixture unless previously cancelled by the Committee Secretary
- 11.4.1 at the request of the club for which the player is registered; or
- 11.4.2 on the completion of a transfer form; or
- 11.4.3 on the club for which the player is registered withdrawing all its teams from the League (see Regulation 16.2)
- 11.5 Number of players to be registered
- 11.5.1 A club must by 30th June register at least 4 players for each team entered for which Player Registration Fees (see Annex D) must be paid by the date specified in Regulation 4.4.
- 11.5.2 Players additional to those registered under Regulation 11.5.1 may be registered at any time up to 31st December and for each such player a Players Registration Fee must be paid within 48 hours after such player first represents his club. If it is not so paid, the registration will be invalid.
- 11.6 No player may be registered or transferred after 31st December in any season.
- 11.7 The Committee Secretary shall keep a full record of all Registrations.

12 TRANSFER OF PLAYERS

- 12.1 A player may transfer from one club to another at any time up to 31st December in any season.
- 12.2 Registration of Transfer
- 12.2.1 The Committee Secretary shall register a player for the club to which he has transferred on receipt of a completed Transfer Form accompanied by the fee shown at item 6 of Annex D.
- 12.2.2 The transfer form must be signed by -
- 12.2.2.1 the player;
- 12.2.2.2 the secretary of the club from which the player has transferred;
- 12.2.2.3 the secretary of the club to which the player has transferred.
- 12.2.3 The Transfer Form, which shall contain a declaration by the player that he is not under any contractual obligation to continue to play for the club from which he is transferring, shall be signed by the player before it is submitted for signature by the secretary of that club.
- 12.3 A club wishing to sign a player currently registered for another club must inform that other club before making any approach to the player.
- 12.4 For the purpose of Regulation 12 'transfer' shall include the registration of any player who has at any time during the same season been registered for another club.

13 CONSTITUTION OF DIVISIONS

- 13.1 There shall be a Premier Division consisting of eight teams.
- 13.2 Each other Division shall consist of such number of teams not exceeding eight as the Committee shall decide.
- 13.3 If there are more than two Divisions, the Committee may decide to have two or more equal second (to be called "First") or lower divisions and may place teams in those Divisions according to their geographical situation.
- 13.4 No club may have more than one team in the same Division.
- 13.5 The league shall be completed over 4 weekends as allocated by the calendar working party in conjunction with the British League Committee, preferably not more than 5 weeks apart.
- 13.6 The allocation of fixtures for each weekend shall be decided by the British League Committee.

14 LEAGUE PLACINGS

- 14.1 A team shall be awarded 2 League points for a win and 1 League point for a draw.

- 14.2 Position in the League shall be determined by
- 14.2.1 the number of League points won;
- 14.2.2 if two or more teams are equal on League points, then on the difference between individual matches won and lost and
- 14.2.2.3 if still equal then on the difference between games won and games lost.

15 PROMOTION AND RELEGATION

- 15.1 At the end of each season's competition, the highest placed teams in each division below the Premier Division shall be promoted and their places taken by the lowest placed teams in the next higher division, but no more than two teams shall be relegated from any division of eight or fewer teams; if the number of divisions at any level is greater than the number of promotion places available, the two highest placed teams in each division shall compete in a play-off to determine promotion.
- 15.2 For the purpose of Regulation 15.1 the highest placed team shall mean the highest placed team whose club has no team in the next highest division.
- 15.3 If a team is relegated into a Division in which there is already a team from the same club, to avoid a breach of Regulation 13.4 the latter team shall be relegated.
- 15.4 If, after applying Regulation 15.1, there are divisions having too many or too few teams, the Committee is empowered to adjust the allocation of teams to divisions, except that no promoted team shall have its promotion cancelled.
- 15.5 The lowest placed team in each of the lowest divisions shall be deemed to have resigned but may apply for re-admission.

16 WITHDRAWAL FROM LEAGUE

- 16.1 If a club withdraws a team from the League before it has completed its fixtures the record of that team shall be completely expunged and the club shall be liable to a fine of the amount shown at Item 6 of Annex F or such lesser amount as the Committee may decide.
- 16.2 If the withdrawal of a team results in the club having no teams in the League the registrations of all players registered for that club shall be cancelled.

17 STARTING TIME

The starting times for matches played under the weekend format shall be decided by the Committee. The Committee Secretary shall notify the clubs in writing of such times.

18 APPLICABILITY OF ITTF AND ETTA REGULATIONS

- 18.1 There shall apply to the matches governed by these Regulations the Laws of Table Tennis as approved by ETTA and, in so far as they are not inconsistent with these Regulations and do not themselves limit their applicability to competitions other than this, the current ITTF Regulations for International Competitions 3.2 to 3.5, covering Equipment and Playing Conditions, Jurisdiction of Officials, ~~and~~ Match Conduct and Discipline.
- 18.2 In all matches governed by these Regulations the regulations contained in Appendix 'R' to ETTA Rules (Racket Testing) shall apply.
- 18.3 Purchase of a Single Competition Licence, in accordance with the provisions of Appendix A, entitles a duly registered player to compete in the matches of a single British League Weekend.

19 PLAYING FORMAT

- 19.1 Each team shall consist of 4 players.
- 19.2 A team match shall consist of 8 individual singles matches, all of which shall be played, each individual match being the best of 5 games.
- 19.3 The order of play shall be A v X, B v W, C v Z, D v Y, A v W, C v X, B v Y, D v Z, where ABCD designates the home team and WXYZ the away team.

- 19.4 All individual matches shall be played.
- 19.5 If a team is more than one player short, it shall be deemed not to have fulfilled the fixture and a penalty will be imposed in accordance with Item 3 of Annex 'F'.
- 19.6 Until 30 minutes before the starting time for the match the order in Regulation 19.3 may be varied by agreement of both team captains.
- 19.7 No player shall be allowed to take part in more than one match played simultaneously in the same venue.

20 PLAYER RANKING

- 20.1 By 30th June each club shall submit to the Committee Secretary a Ranking List listing all its registered players in order of merit for approval by the Committee, which has the right to re-rank at its discretion.
- 20.2 The Ranking List, governed by Regulation 20.3, of each Club shall remain unaltered throughout the duration of the season, save that a Club may, not later than 14 days before the official date for the first matches in the second half of the fixture list, apply for a revision to be made of that Ranking List subject to the approval of the Committee
- 20.3 All players who have actual or dummy rankings in the top 100 of the English Men's Ranking List current on 1st September must be ranked in the same order for their club and the Committee Secretary will make any adjustment necessary to achieve this.
- 20.4 Except as provided by Regulation 20.2 a Ranking List may not be altered during a season except by deletion of players who cease to be registered for the club and insertion of players newly registered for the club.
- 20.5 Where a club has more than one team in the League
- 20.5.1 the top 4 players in a club's Ranking List shall not be eligible to play for a team in a Division lower than that club's first team, the top eight players shall not be eligible to play for a team in a Division lower than that club's second team and the top twelve players shall not be eligible to play for a team in a Division lower than that club's third team.
- 20.5.2 a player may not play for more than one team from the same club in divisions of the same level
- 20.5.3 A player ranked 5 or below who has played for the club's first team on four or more occasions may not play below the first team
- 20.5.4 A player ranked 9 or below who has played for the club's first or second team on a total of four or more occasions may not play below the second team
- 20.5.5 A player ranked 13 or below who has played for the club's first, second or third team on a total of four or more occasions may not play below the third team
- 20.5.6 The principle exhibited in Regulations 20.5.3, and 20.5.4 and 20.5.5 shall apply to players ranked 17 or below and so on
- 20.6 Not later than 30 minutes before the scheduled start of play, each team captain shall nominate to the Match Referee, a team in ranking order (ie the order in which the players appear in the club's Ranking List under Regulation 20.1 or under Regulation 20.2 as appropriate). Up to the official starting time a substitution may be made in case of injury or non-arrival of a nominated player, the order of play being changed if necessary to reflect the official Ranking List order.
- 20.7 If a team plays out of ranked order, a player of that team shall forfeit with the score of 0-11, 0-11, 0-11 any match played against a player against whom he would not have played if his team had played in ranked order. Such results shall be for British League tables purposes only and shall not count as matches played between the players concerned.

21 FORFEITURE FOR LATENESS

- 21.1 If a team is not ready to play by 30 minutes after the scheduled starting time it shall forfeit the match.

21.2 If a team is not ready to play by the scheduled starting time, it shall forfeit one individual match per each 20 minutes (or part of that period) that has elapsed, since the starting time, at the time of that team's arrival. If a period of 30 minutes has elapsed, Regulation 21.1 shall apply.

21.3 If a player is not ready to play 5 minutes after the Match Umpire has called his or her individual match, the player shall forfeit that match.

22 MATCH RESULTS

All match result sheets to be handed to the match referee or other designated official.

23 PENALTIES

23.1 Penalties shall be imposed for offences as shown in Annex F except when the Committee decides to impose a lesser penalty.

23.2.1 For offences numbered 1 - 7 in Annex F the warning or fine shall be imposed and notified to the club by the Administrator.

23.2.2 At the same time as being notified of the fine the club shall be informed that it may appeal against its imposition such appeal to be made not later than 10 days after the notification.

23.2.3 Every fine shall be paid not later than 28 days after the date on which the notification is sent, unless the club has appealed to the Committee against its imposition.

Note: If the fine remains unpaid after 21 days a reminder will be sent, but failure to send the reminder will not invalidate the application of Regulation 23.2.4.

23.2.4 If a fine has not been paid by the time laid down by Regulation 23.2.3, the amount of the fine shall be doubled.

23.3 If the Committee decide that a team is guilty of persistent breach of these Regulations it may expel that team from the League.

24 PRIZE MONEY

The Committee will issue details of the prize fund for the season not later than 1st November.

25 EUROPEAN CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

25.1 The club winning the Premier Division of the League shall be eligible to enter the next European Club Championships at their own cost. If they wish to enter the ETTU Nancy Evans Cup, ETTA shall support such entry and pay the entry fee.

25.2 If the club finishing as runners-up in the Premier Division wishes to enter the ETTU Nancy Evans Cup, ETTA shall again support such entry and pay the entry fee. If the club prefers to enter the European Club Championship instead, a contribution to the fee equal to that of the Nancy Evans Cup should be made. If this club does not wish to enter the competition the Committee may invite the third placed team to take its place.

ANNEX A to APPENDIX L to RULES

Regulations which may be changed by the Annual British Table Tennis League Conference under powers delegated by the National Council (Regulation L1.2):

Regulations 4.3, 8 to 11.4.3, 11.5.2 to 22, 24 but excluding the contents of all Annexes

ANNEX B to APPENDIX L to RULES

Playing Conditions and Equipment - Summary of Requirements (see Regulation 9)

- 1 The playing space shall be not less than 12m long, 6m wide and 4m high (ETTA Grade 2) for Premier Division matches and not less than 10m long, 5m wide and 3m high (ETTA Grade 3) for other matches. (See ETTA Document 1705/62/CJC (9.1.86))
- 2 The playing area shall be delineated by dark-coloured screens of surrounds, about 75cm high, along each end and with at least one screen at right angles to the end screens to indicate each corner of the playing area.
- 3 The light intensity, measured at the height of the playing surface, shall not be less than specified hereafter uniformly over the whole of the playing surface and the intensity at any other part of the playing area shall not be less than half of the intensity over the playing surface - Premier Division: ETTA Grade 2: 1,000 lux. Other Divisions: ETTA Grade 3: 500 lux.
- 4 The light source shall not be less than 4m above the floor for Premier Division matches and not less than 3m above the floor for other matches.
- 5 The background shall be generally dark and shall not contain bright light sources nor daylight through uncovered windows.
- 6 The floor shall be of hard, non-slippery wood or thermoplastic and shall not be white nor brightly reflecting.
- 7 The table shall be of a brand and type which comply with ETTA Tournament Regulations and shall have a top of thickness not less than 18mm (20mm nominal).
- 8 The net and posts shall be of a brand and type which comply with ETTA Tournament Regulations.
- 9 Sponsor's banners, if provided, shall be displayed.
- 10 Sponsor's surrounds, if provided, shall be displayed.
- 11 The ball shall be of a brand and type specified by the Committee.

ANNEX C to APPENDIX L to RULES - PLAYING CLOTHING

Extract from ITTF Regulations for International Competitions (see Regulation 18.1)

- 3.2.2.1 Playing clothing shall normally consist of a short-sleeved or sleeveless shirt and shorts or skirt or one-part sports outfits, socks and playing shoes; other garments, such as part or all of a track suit, shall not be worn during play except with the permission of the referee.
- 3.2.2.2 The main colour of a shirt, skirt or shorts, other than sleeves and collar of a shirt, shall be clearly different from that of the ball in use.
- 3.2.2.3 Clothing may bear numbers or lettering on the back of the shirt to identify a player, his Association or, in club matches, his club, and advertisements in accordance with the provisions of 3.2.4.9; if the back of a shirt bears the player's name, this shall be situated just below the collar.
- 3.2.2.4 Any numbers required by organisers to identify a player shall have priority over advertisements on the centre back part of a shirt; such numbers shall be contained within a panel having an area not greater than 600 cm².
- 3.2.2.5 Any markings or trimming on the front or side of a playing garment and any objects such as jewellery worn by a player shall not be so conspicuous or brightly reflecting as to unsight an opponent.
- 3.2.2.6 Clothing shall not carry designs or lettering which might cause offence or bring the game into disrepute.
- 3.2.2.7 Any question of the legality or acceptability of playing clothing shall be decided by the referee.
- 3.2.5.10 Advertisements on playing clothing shall be limited to
 - 3.2.5.10.1 the maker's normal trademark, symbol or name contained within a total area of 24cm²;
 - 3.2.5.10.2 not more than 6 clearly separated advertisements, contained within a combined total area of 600cm², on the front, side or shoulder of a shirt, with not more than 4 advertisements on the front;
 - 3.2.5.10.3 not more than 2 advertisements, contained within a total area of 400cm², on the back of a shirt;
 - 3.2.5.10.4 not more than 2 advertisements, contained within a combined total area of 120cm², on shorts or skirt.
- 3.2.5.11 Advertisements on players' numbers shall be contained within a total area of 100cm².
- 3.2.5.12 Advertisements on umpires' clothing shall be contained within a total area of 40cm².
- 3.2.5.13 There shall be no advertisements on players' clothing or numbers for tobacco goods, alcoholic drinks or harmful drugs.

ANNEX D to APPENDIX L to RULES - FEES

<u>No</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Regulation</u>	<u>Fee</u>
1	Team Entry Fee - Premier Division team	4.2	£343.00
2	Team Entry Fee - other Division team	4.2	£171.60
3	Computer Ranking Scheme Levy for each team	4.2	£26.90
4	Player Registration Fee - Premier Division Player	4.2,11.5.1	£42.85
5	Player Registration Fee - other Division Player	4.2,11.5.1	£20.30
6	Transfer Fee	12.2.1	£25.00
7	Guarantee Deposit - for a club's 1st team	5.1	£178.00
8	Guarantee Deposit - for each other team	5.1	£122.00
9	Venue Surcharge - all teams	7	to be determined

ANNEX E to APPENDIX L to RULES (Regulation 7)

- 1 A Publicity and Promotion Officer shall be appointed responsible for overall promotion of the club's matches
- 2 A club Secretary shall be appointed responsible for the club's commitments in the League

ANNEX F to APPENDIX L to RULES - FINES and PENALTIES

<u>No</u>	<u>Offence</u>	<u>Regulation</u>	<u>Fine (max)</u>
1	Failure to use nominated match ball	23.1	£5.00
2	Failure of team to arrive at scheduled match (plus League and opponent's expenses)	23.1	£100.00
3	Playing with incomplete team (per player short or ineligible)	23.1	£20.00
4	Not playing in nominated kit (per player)	23.1	£5.00
5	Failure to be ready to play at appointed time (per 10 minutes late up to 30 minutes)	17	£5.00
6	Withdrawal of team without fulfilling fixtures	16.1	£100.00
7	Persistent infringement of regulations	23.3	Expulsion

ANNEX G to APPENDIX L to RULES - Forms Series BL

<u>No</u>	<u>Form</u>	<u>Regulation</u>
1	Team Entry Form	4.1
2	Fee Invoice	4.4
3	Player Registration Form	11.2.1
4	Player Transfer Form	11.2.3
5	Club Ranking List	20.1
6	Match Score Sheet	22
7	Notice of Warning or Fine	23.2.1
8	Fine Reminder	23.2.3 Note

APPENDIX 'M' TO RULES – REGULATIONS FOR ACCEPTANCE INTO GOOD STANDING

(Made by the National Council in exercise of the power conferred by ETTA Rule (2006/7) 40.2)

1. The ETTA may, by accepting into Good Standing, give official recognition to:
 - 1.1 an organisation which is not a table tennis organisation but under whose auspices table tennis is played; or
 - 1.2 a table tennis organisation or competition which is of a type not mentioned in Rule 12.1.
2. Applications for acceptance into Good Standing shall be made to the General Secretary of ETTA, who shall then advise the applicant of the fee payable.
3. The period of Good Standing shall extend from the date of receipt of the fee by the General Secretary until the completion of the competition, in the case of a specific competition, or until the end of the season in other cases.
4. Notwithstanding the provisions of Regulation 3, Good Standing may be terminated by ETTA without notice if, in the opinion of the Association, there is any breach of the terms of conditions of its grant.
5. Organisations or competitions granted Good Standing shall be placed in categories according to their nature, purpose or extent, as follows:
 - 5.1 **Category 1:** Table tennis organisations other than those referred to in ETTA Rule 12.1.2 whose function is to conduct competitions (individual or regional) and/or representative matches, participation in which is limited to persons and/or organisations already affiliated to ETTA and to the appropriate county, if any. In the case of an organisation extending throughout Great Britain or the United Kingdom, this category may apply only if participants from Scotland, Wales or Northern Ireland are affiliated members of their appropriate national Association.
 - 5.2 **Category 2:** Either:
 - 5.2.1 Organisations which, whether solely table tennis or not, conduct a tournament (national, regional or area) and/or representative matches, participation in which is confined to those engaged in a particular class of employment, or profession, or to students in a particular class of educational establishment, where there is no commercial sponsorship (other than subsidy by an employer) and where the participants may or may not be affiliated to ETTA but shall not be from outside the United Kingdom; or
 - 5.2.2 An area or local tournament (i.e. one confined to a single table tennis county or to a part thereof) open to affiliated and unaffiliated players, whether or not conducted as part of a multi-sports event. Up to ten events in a single tournament may be played over a single period of time. Each ten events at one period of time, or each separate period of time (even within the same season) shall be regarded as a separate tournament for the purposes of Regulation 6; or
 - 5.2.3 Federations and similar groups of "clubs" providing multi-sport and/or social/cultural facilities, which organise periodic tournaments and/or team knock-out competitions and/or representative matches, to which their own members are admitted regardless of whether ETTA affiliated or not, but not open to other persons, not involving persons from outside the United Kingdom, and not supported by commercial sponsorship. In no case is any form of league competition to be admitted; this requires full affiliation.
 - 5.2.4 Multi-sport centres wishing to provide cover for participation of both affiliated and unaffiliated persons in the activities taking place amongst users, including tournaments, but excluding league matches and commercial promotions.

- 5.3 **Category 3:** Organisations which receive commercial sponsorship but which would otherwise fall within the definitions given in paragraphs 5.2.1 or 5.2.3 above.
- 5.4 **Category 4:** A national or regional tournament open to affiliated and unaffiliated players, whether or not there is an age restriction, and whether or not conducted as part of a multi-sports event. Up to ten events in a single tournament may be played over a single period of time. Each ten events at one period of time or each separate period of time (even within the same season) shall be regarded as a separate tournament for the purposes of Regulation 6.
- 5.5 **Category 5:** Commercial organisations providing recreational facilities for visitors, etc., among which table tennis is included for like use by ETTA members and others, and requiring Good Standing to cover participation in tournaments and the staging of exhibitions for visitors' entertainment.
- 5.6 **Category 6:** All cases proper for Good Standing which do not come within categories 2 to 5, and in particular:
- 5.6.1 Commercial promotions outside the scope of category 3; and
- 5.6.2 Events open to players who are (or are eligible to be) members of another national Association, excepting those confined to United Kingdom residents where the category definition so allows.

6. FEES

Fees for organisations or events in category 6, and in any other particular case which may be so decided, shall be determined by the Management Committee. Where not so individually decided, fees in categories 1 to 5 shall be charged as multiples of the affiliation fee for a directly affiliated club appropriate to the season in question, as follows:

Category 1: Single fee

Category 2: Double fee

Category 3: Treble fee

Category 4: Quadruple fee

Category 5: Treble fee in respect of each location covered

Responsible Committee: Management

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APPENDIX N to RULES: ENGLISH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS REGULATIONS 26.07.08**1 GENERAL**

- 1.1 These Regulations may be altered only by the National Council.
- 1.2 The Championships covered by these regulations shall include English Open Championships; English Junior Open Championships; English National Championships; English Cadet & Junior National Championships, English 11-14 National Championships and such other Championships as shall from time to time be accorded the status of English Championships by the National Council.
- 1.3 The Championships shall be conducted in accordance with the Approved Laws of Table Tennis and with the ITTF Regulations for International Competitions, except where specific variations from these Regulations are stated in the entry form.
- 1.4 The Championships shall be managed by a Committee, which shall have power to make supplementary regulations governing the detailed organisation and running of each Championships.

2 ENGLISH OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 2.1 The Championships events to be held will be decided by the Championships Committee but where possible these should include Men's Singles, Men's Doubles, Women's Singles, Women's Doubles, Mixed Doubles. Singles matches shall be the best of 7 games or as decided by the Committee and published in the entry form. Doubles matches shall be either the best of 5 or 7 games or as decided by the Committee and published in the entry form, provided that they shall be the same in all Doubles events.
- 2.2 There may also be Men's and Women's Team events. Matches in these events shall be the best of 5 or 7 games, as decided by the Committee and published in the entry form.

3 ENGLISH JUNIOR OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 3.1 Four Championship events shall be held as follows: Junior Boys' Singles, Junior Boys' Doubles, Junior Girls' Singles, Junior Girls' Doubles. There may also be held a Junior Mixed Doubles Championship. Matches in these events shall be the best of 5 or 7 games, as decided by the Committee and published in the entry form.
- 3.2 There may also be Boys' and Girls' Junior Team events. Matches in these events shall be the best of 5 or 7 games, as decided by the Committee and published in the entry form.

4 ENGLISH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 4.1 Eleven Championship events shall be held as follows: Men's Singles, Men's Doubles, Women's Singles, Women's Doubles, Mixed Doubles, Veteran Men's Singles, Veteran Women's Singles, Veteran Men's Doubles, Veteran Women's Doubles, Under 21 Men's Singles and Under 21 Women's Singles. Matches in the Men's and Women's Singles events shall be the best of 7 games or as decided by the Committee and published in the entry form. Matches in the Doubles events shall be the best of 5 or 7 games, as decided by the Committee and published in the entry form.

5 ENGLISH CADET & JUNIOR NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 5.1 Nine Championship events shall be held as follows: Junior Boys' Singles, Junior Boys' Doubles, Junior Girls' Singles, Junior Girls' Doubles, Junior Mixed Doubles, Cadet Boys' Singles, Cadet Girls' Singles, Cadet Boys Doubles and Cadet Girls Doubles. Matches in these events shall be the best of 5 games.

6 ENGLISH 11-14 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 6.1 Ten Championship events will be held as follows: Under 11 Boys' Singles, Under 12 Boys' Singles, Under 13 Boys' Singles, Under 14 Boys' Singles, Under 11 Girls' singles, Under 12 Girls' Singles, Under 13 Girls' Singles, Under 14 Girls' Singles, Under 14 Boys' Doubles and Under 14 Girls' Doubles.

7 OTHER ENGLISH CHAMPIONSHIPS

7.1 For English Championships not covered by Regulations 2 to 6, the National Council shall determine the events to be held and the maximum number of games per match.

8 ELIGIBILITY FOR ENGLISH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

8.1 To be eligible to enter the English National Championships, the English Cadet & Junior National Championships or the English 11-14 National Championships, a player must be eligible to represent the ETTA under ITTF regulations current at the time of playing, determined in accordance with the procedure below.

Whether or not the player is eligible under regulation 8 of Appendix N to Rules can be established by answering the following questions, stopping as soon as "ELIGIBLE" or "NOT ELIGIBLE" has been reached.

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| 1 | Is the player affiliated to the ETTA? | YES | Go to question 2 |
| | | NO | NOT ELIGIBLE |
| 2 | Has the player represented an Association other than England in the past 3 years? | YES | NOT ELIGIBLE |
| | | NO | Go to question 3 |
| 3 | Does the player have British nationality? | YES | Go to question 4 |
| | | NO | Go to question 5 |
| 4 | Was the player born in, or have his or her main residence in, England? | YES | ELIGIBLE |
| | | NO | Go to question 5 |
| 5 | Has the player represented England* before 1 September 2004? | YES | Go to question 6 |
| | | NO | NOT ELIGIBLE |
| 6 | Has the player represented an Association other than England since last representing England? | YES | NOT ELIGIBLE |
| | | NO | ELIGIBLE |

Extract from current ITTF Eligibility Regulations (for information only - not part of ETTA Regulations)

3.8.3 A player is eligible to represent an Association only if he is a national of the country in which that Association has jurisdiction, except that a player who has represented an Association of which he was not a national before 1 September 2004 in accordance with previous rules may retain that eligibility.

3.8.3.1 Where the players of more than one Association have the same nationality, a player may represent one of these Associations only if he was born in, or has his main residence, in the territory controlled by that Association.

3.8.3.2 A player who is eligible to represent more than 1 Association shall have the right to choose which of the relevant Associations he will represent.

3.8.5 A player shall not represent different Associations within a period of 3 years.

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(These Regulations were made by the Board of Appeal by its Regulations Panel on 3rd December 2004 in exercise of the power conferred by ETTA Rule (2004/5)51.4, except the Regulations marked * and listed in Schedule 'B' to these Regulations, the substance of which is contained in ETTA Rules shown in that Schedule.

For convenience, so that all relevant matter is available in one document in logical sequence, the Rules relating to the subject-matter of these Regulations or the substance thereof have been reproduced or included as the case may be in these Regulations.

A Regulation listed in the above-mentioned Schedule 'B' cannot be altered in the manner in which the remainder of these Regulations may be altered, but only when the Rule which the Regulation reproduces or on which the Regulation is based has been altered by a General Meeting of the Association, when that Regulation will be correspondingly altered.)

As a result of an editorial review carried out by Rules Committee, the wording of some Rules was changed at the Annual General Meeting in 2006. Regulations 1.3, 5.1.2, 5.5, 11.2 and 17.1 are affected and have been correspondingly altered in accordance with the preceding paragraph. The amendments are purely editorial or for clarification. Some Rules have been renumbered and for ease of reference the 2006/7 numbers are now shown in the Regulations and Schedules.

In April 2008 National Council resolved a policy concerning failure of an Appellant or a Respondent to supply information and documents when requested. This document dated 23 April 2008 has been amended to show the policy as notes to Regulations 22 and 23. At this stage no Regulation itself has been altered but the policy is in force.

DATE THESE REGULATIONS COME INTO FORCE: 3rd December 2004

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PART I CONSTITUTION OF BOARD and GENERAL (Regulations 1 to 16)

1 Constitution of Board of Appeal

- 1.1* There shall be a Board of Appeal consisting of not fewer than eight nor more than twenty-five persons appointed by the National Council, but not being members of the Council.
- 1.2* Each member of the Board shall be appointed to serve for an individually specified period not exceeding three years and five weeks, and shall be eligible for re-appointment.
- 1.3* If at the time a Board member's term of service is due to expire he is a member of a panel dealing with an Appeal, his term of service shall be extended until disposal of that Appeal.
- 1.4 On appointment each person shall make a declaration in the terms set out in Schedule 'C'. (Note: The declaration will be held at the ETTA Headquarters Office. A copy will be provided for the Board member and also for the Chairman of the Board and the Clerk to the Board.)

2 Appointment of Clerk

- 2.1 A Clerk to the Board shall be appointed by the National Council.
- 2.2 The National Council may appoint up to three persons, whether members of the Board or not, to be Deputy Clerks to the Board
- 2.3 In the event of the Clerk being unable to act, the Deputy Clerks shall act in rotation.
- 2.4 If the Clerk and Deputy Clerks are all unable to act, Management Committee may appoint a temporary Deputy Clerk to deal with a specified Appeal.
- 2.5 Where the context admits 'Clerk' shall mean the Clerk or Deputy Clerk acting in the particular Appeal.

3 Assistant Clerk (Administrative)

An Assistant Clerk appointed by the Management Committee may carry out any function of the General Secretary of ETTA Ltd under these Regulations, and shall carry out such other administrative functions as the Board shall decide.

4 Regulations Governing Procedure

- 4.1* The procedure for matters being dealt with by the Board of Appeal shall be governed by regulations made by the Board.
- 4.2 The powers of the Board under Regulation 4.1 to make regulations shall be exercised by a Regulations Panel consisting of the Chairman of the Board and four other members of the Board.
- 4.3 The Regulations Panel shall cause any proposed changes to be circulated to members of the Board for comment before changes are made.
- 4.4 A copy of the Regulations governing procedure shall be supplied to an organisation or person making any appeal under these Regulations, to any respondent to such an appeal and any Third Party to the appeal accepting an invitation under Regulation 14.1.

5 Right of Appeal

- 5.1* Except as provided by Rules (2006/7)49.4 and 49.5 (Regulations 5.3 and 5.4) -
- 5.1.1* any Affiliated Person, affiliated club or Local League aggrieved by a decision or action of a County Association or a Committee Officer or official of such Association or by neglect or refusal to do something which such organisation or person is under a duty to do may, subject to Rules (2006/7)49.5 and 49.5.2 (Regulations 5.4 and 5.4.2), appeal against any such decision, action, neglect or refusal to the ETTA Board of Appeal.

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- 5.1.2* any Affiliated Person or Organisation aggrieved by a decision or action of ETTA, or the National Council, or a Committee, Officer or official of ETTA, or by neglect or refusal to do something which such organisation or person is under a duty to do may appeal against any such decision, action, neglect or refusal to the ETTA Board of Appeal.
- 5.1.3* in the case of breach of the ETTA Disciplinary Code by a breach of Rule (2006/7)45.14 there shall be a right of appeal against the decision of the Disciplinary Committee.
- 5.2* Any appeal ... against a decision of the chairman at a General Meeting or a meeting of the National Council or the Management Committee or a sub-committee may not be made until after the closure of the meeting.
- 5.3* There shall be no right of appeal in respect of -
- 5.3.1* the conduct of a competition conducted under the International Table Tennis Federation's Regulations for International Competitions, except as specified in those Regulations.
- 5.3.2* selection or non-selection by ETTA, or inclusion in or exclusion or removal from any team or squad, training, coaching or trials whether as a player or otherwise.
- 5.3.3* the decision of an Appeal by the ETTA Board of Appeal.
- 5.3.4* any action taken by the Chairman of the Disciplinary Committee under Rule (2006/7)47.11.
(Note. Under Rule (2006/7)47.11 the Disciplinary Committee Chairman shall have power to impose suspension covering the period from the alleged breach of ETTA Disciplinary Code until the procedure under Appendix 'E' shall have been carried through.)
- 5.4* Unless the appeal is in respect of refusal or neglect to exercise jurisdiction which there is a duty to exercise, or improper exercise of such jurisdiction, or action beyond the limits of appropriate jurisdiction, there shall be no right of appeal in respect of -
- 5.4.1* the conduct of a domestic competition managed by a committee or sub-committee or officials of ETTA, except as may be specified in the Regulations governing that competition and published in or with the entry form for that competition.
- 5.4.2* the decision by a County Association or the National Council of an appeal under Rule (2006/7)49.1.1.
- 5.4.3* selection or non-selection by a County Association, or inclusion in or exclusion or removal from any team or squad, training or coaching or trials whether as a player or otherwise by a County Association
- 5.5* The rights of appeal given by Rule (2006/7)49.1 (Regulation 5.1) to an Affiliated Person or Affiliated Organisation shall be extended to enable a person or organisation refused affiliation to appeal against such refusal (provided that no other right of appeal is given by ETTA Rules), and to enable a person or organisation expelled from membership or whose affiliation is terminated to appeal against such expulsion.
- 6 Selection of Members to Adjudicate Appeal**
- 6.1* Each appeal shall be adjudicated by a Panel consisting of three members of the Board of Appeal.
- 6.2 For the purposes of selection of adjudicating panels two lists shall be maintained by the Chairman of the Board of which the Clerk and Assistant Clerk shall keep copies, List 'A' (Form AB6) of members of the Board approved by the Chairman of the Board as eligible for appointment as Panel Chairman and List 'B' (Form AB7) of all members of the Board.

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- 6.3 When a person has acted as chairman of an adjudicating panel (other than merely to deal with a preliminary point) his name shall be moved to the bottom of List 'A' and to the bottom of List 'B'.
- 6.4 When a person has acted as second or third member of an adjudicating panel (other than merely to deal with a preliminary point) his name shall be moved to the bottom of List 'B'.
- 6.5 Subject to any direction by the Chairman of the Board the Assistant Clerk shall ask the following persons to carry out the duties mentioned, if necessary going down the list in order until acceptances have been obtained -
- 6.5.1 the person whose name is currently at the top of List 'A' to be Panel Chairman.
- 6.5.2 the two persons whose names are currently the top two on List 'B' to be the second and third members of the Panel.
- 6.6 In an emergency a Panel Chairman may be selected from List 'B'.
- 6.7 From the time of appointment the Panel Chairman shall be responsible for the control, conduct and progress of the appeal.
- 7* **Power to Remit for procedural Irregularity**
The Panel shall decide the appeal. However, if the appeal would be successful only because of a technicality, or a procedural error by the body appealed against, the Panel may remit the matter to be dealt with afresh by the body appealed against with a direction regarding the technicality or procedural error; (this shall not affect the power of the Panel to dispose of the matter itself).
- 8* **Power to Vary punishment**
Where the appeal is against disciplinary action the Panel shall have the power to vary the punishment imposed.
- 9* **Finality of Decision**
The decision of the Panel shall be final and binding on all parties.
- 10 **Publication of Decision**
- 10.1* The decision of the Panel shall be published forthwith and a written minute of the decision shall be sent to the Appellant and all other parties to the Appeal.
- 10.2* The Association shall be entitled to publish in the public press, or in any other manner it shall think fit, reports of its proceedings, acts and resolutions, whether the same shall or shall not reflect upon the character or conduct of any League, club or Affiliated Person, and every such League, club or Affiliated Person shall be deemed to have assented to such publication.
- 11 **Effect of Pending Appeal**
- 11.1* An appeal shall be deemed to be pending from the time notice of appeal is received by the General Secretary of ETTA ... until the time it is decided.
- 11.2* While an appeal is pending the decision or action appealed against shall not have effect but, where the appeal is against a decision to refuse an application or against a decision not to take action, the question is to be treated as not yet having been decided and the decision appealed against stands unless it is reversed by the Board of Appeal.
- Note to Regulation 11.2:** Automatic suspension under Rule (2004/5)45.14.7.2 is not a 'decision or action' for the purposes of this Regulation as it does not result from a Disciplinary Committee decision

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11.3* In every case the person or body against whom the appeal is made shall endeavour to secure that if the appeal is upheld the situation can as far as possible be restored as if the decision or action appealed against had never been taken or done.

12 Receipt of Appeal

12.1 An appeal shall be deemed not to be received unless accompanied by the appropriate fee.

12.2 For the purpose of these Regulations the Appeal shall be deemed to reach the General Secretary on the day on which it is delivered at the office of ETTA or if delivered when the office is closed, on the next working day.

13 Right to Hearing

13.1* Either party to an appeal under Rule (2006/7)49.1 (Regulation 5.1.) or Rule (2006/7)45.14.5 shall be entitled to require a Hearing before the adjudicating body.

13.2* Any party may be represented at a Hearing provided that the Board is notified in advance in writing of the intention to be represented.

13.3 A notification under Regulation 13.2 shall indicate the status (e.g. barrister, solicitor, friend, parent) of the representative.

14 Third Parties

14.1 If a Panel Chairman considers that a party other than the Appellant or Respondent is directly concerned in the subject matter of the Appeal and will be directly affected by the result of the Appeal, he may invite such party to become a Third Party to the Appeal.

14.2 Where appropriate the regulations in this Appendix shall apply to a party made a Third Party under Regulation 14.1 as they apply to an Appellant or Respondent.

15 Time Limits

15.1 When any period set by these Regulations ends on a Sunday or a Public Holiday, it shall be taken to end on the next day which is not a Sunday or Public Holiday.

15.2 If exceptionally more time is needed than is allowed by Regulations 22 and 23, a request should be made through the Assistant Clerk stating the reason and the extra time needed.

15.3 An adjudicating Panel of the Board shall have power to extend or abridge any of the time limits set by these Regulations.

16 Appointment of agent

An appellant, respondent or third party wishing the Board to conduct correspondence with an agent (whether professional or otherwise) must sign a written authority for the Board to do so and send it to the Assistant Clerk. In the case of an organisation the authority must be signed as is provided for in Regulation 17.2.

PART II LODGING APPEAL and PRELIMINARY (Regulations 17 to 23)

17 Lodging Appeal

17.1* Any appeal under Rule (2006/7)49.1 or 45.14.5 must be made in writing to the General Secretary of ETTA and must be received not later than 21 days after the appellant's being made aware of the decision or action appealed against.

17.2 An appeal by an individual must be signed by that individual. An appeal by an organisation must be authenticated under ETTA Rule (2006/7)59 (i.e. signed by the organisation's General Secretary and by a second person who must be its Chairman, Vice Chairman or Treasurer).

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- 17.3* Each appeal must be accompanied by a fee of an amount set by National Council (see Schedule 'A' to these Regulations) which shall be returned if the adjudicating body consider the making of an appeal to have been justified (whatever the result).
- 17.4 The person sending in the appeal must provide a name and address for notifying the other party ("the respondent").
- 17.5* Notwithstanding Rule (2006/7)49.7 (Regulation 17.1) an adjudicating body shall have discretion to hear an appeal made later than the end of the period of 21 days prescribed by that rule.
- 17.6 An appeal submitted after the end of the period of 21 days mentioned in Regulation 17.1 must be accompanied by a statement by the Appellant giving reasons why the Board should deal with the late appeal.
- 18 Registration, Number and Appeal Date**
- 18.1 When an appeal has been received the General Secretary shall notify the Clerk who shall enter brief details in the Register of Appeals and notify the General Secretary of the serial number allocated.
- 18.2 The day of receipt of the Appeal or of the appropriate fee, whichever is the later, shall be termed the Appeal Date, except that, if the panel decide to determine as a preliminary point whether the appeal is within its jurisdiction, or whether it will exercise discretion under Regulation 17.5 to deal with an Appeal made outside the time limit, the Appeal Date shall be such date as the panel shall determine being not later than 21 days after receipt of the Appeal.
- 19 Acknowledgement of Appeal and Notification to Respondent**
- 19.1 The Assistant Clerk on behalf of the General Secretary shall, not later than the next working day after receiving the Appeal, send by first class post a written acknowledgement of receipt to the Appellant (a) informing him of the Appeal Date (or that the Panel is considering whether it has jurisdiction, or that the Panel is considering the application for the appeal to be admitted out of time), (b) sending a copy of these Regulations and (c) drawing to his attention the information required by Regulation 22 to be provided.
- 19.2 At the same time as acknowledging receipt of the Appeal the Assistant Clerk shall send a written notice to the Respondent by first class post (a) informing him that an Appeal has been lodged and by whom, (b) notifying him of the decision or action appealed against, (c) sending a copy of these Regulations, (d) informing him of the Appeal Date (or that the Panel is considering whether it has jurisdiction, or that the Panel is considering the application for the appeal to be admitted out of time) and (e) drawing to his attention the information required by Regulation 23 to be provided.
- 20 Notification to Clerk of names of members of the adjudicating Panel**
- The Assistant Clerk shall inform the Clerk of the names of members of the adjudicating Panel as soon as they have confirmed availability.
- 21 Notification by Assistant Clerk where jurisdiction or late appeal is an issue**
- 21.1 If the Appeal date depends upon acceptance of jurisdiction mentioned in Regulation 18.2 or granting an application under Regulation 17.5 to deal with an Appeal submitted out of time the Assistant Clerk shall not later than two days after the Appeal Date notify the Appellant and the Respondent of the Appeal Date.
- 21.2 If the adjudicating panel decide that they have no jurisdiction to hear the Appeal, or reject an application to deal with an Appeal submitted out of time, the Assistant Clerk shall notify the Appellant as soon as possible after that decision has been made.

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22 Information and Documents to be provided by Appellant

22.1 The Appellant shall send the following information to the Assistant Clerk (5 copies) and to the Respondent to reach them not later than 7 days after the Appeal Date (a) the name and address of the Respondent (b) the decision or action appealed against (c) the grounds of the Appeal (in brief) (d) whether he requires a Hearing in the event of the other party not requiring one and the Board being prepared to determine the matter without a Hearing (see Regulation 24) (e) the name and address of the official if an organisation, or any person appointed under Regulation 16, to whom all subsequent correspondence shall be addressed. (Form AB18 will be used)

22.2 At the same time he shall send to the Assistant Clerk 5 copies and to the Respondent one copy of all relevant documents in his possession or under his control, including correspondence, copies of Minutes and Rules, and copies of any evidence at any previous hearing in relation thereto. (and see Regulation 25)

Note. At a Meeting on 19 April 2008 National Council resolved the following policy. If an Appellant fails within the specified time to supply the information and documents requested, the appeal shall be regarded as abandoned.

23 Information and Documents to be provided by Respondent

23.1 The Respondent shall send the following information to the Assistant Clerk (5 copies) and to the Appellant to reach them not later than 16 days after the Appeal Date (a) whether the Respondent requires a Hearing even if the Appellant does not require one and the Board is prepared to deal with the matter without a Hearing (see Regulation 24) (b) the name and address of the official if an organisation, or any person appointed under Regulation 16, to whom subsequent correspondence shall be addressed. (Form AB19 will be used)

23.2 At the same time he shall send to the Assistant Clerk 5 copies and to the Appellant one copy of all relevant documents in his possession or under his control, including correspondence, copies of Minutes and Rules, and copies of any previous hearing in relation thereto. (and see Regulation 26)

Note. At a Meeting on 19 April 2008 National Council resolved the following policy. If a Respondent fails within the specified time to provide the information and documents requested, the appeal shall be regarded as not resisted.

PART III PROCEDURE WITHOUT A HEARING (Regulations 24 to 31)

24 If neither the Appellant nor the Respondent requires a Hearing, and they shall be deemed not to require a Hearing unless they have given notice under Regulation 22.1 or 23.1 as appropriate, the Panel may at its discretion determine the Appeal without, when Regulations 25 to 31 shall apply, or may decide to proceed with a Hearing.

25 If the Appellant wishes the Panel to consider any written statement, a copy must be sent to the Respondent and 4 copies to the Assistant Clerk to reach them not later than 7 days after the Appeal Date.

26 If the Respondent wishes the Panel to consider any written statement, a copy must be sent to the Appellant and 4 copies to the Assistant Clerk to reach them not later than 16 days after the Appeal Date.

27 If a Third Party to the appeal having accepted an invitation under Regulation 14.1 wishes the Panel to consider a written statement by him this must be sent to the

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- Assistant Clerk (4 copies), to the Appellant and to the Respondent not later than 16 days after the Appeal Date.
- 28 The Appellant shall be entitled to send a Reply to any statement made by the Respondent under Regulation 26; this must be sent to the Assistant Clerk (4 copies) and to the Respondent to reach them not later than 23 days after the Appeal Date.
- 29 Not later than 28 days after the Appeal Date the Assistant Clerk shall supply the members of the Panel appointed to determine the Appeal with copies of the documents referred to in Regulations 22, 23, 25, 26, 27 and 28.
- 30 The chairman of the Panel shall arrange with his two co-members for the due determination of the Appeal within 42 days after the Appeal Date.
- 31 The chairman of the Panel shall cause the Clerk to send a Minute of the decision of the Panel to comply with Regulation 10.1.

PART IV PROCEDURE WITH HEARING (Regulations 32 to 44)

- 32 If the Appellant or the Respondent requires a Hearing, or if the Panel decides there shall be a Hearing, Regulations 33 to 44 shall apply.
- 33 As soon as the Assistant Clerk knows which members of the Board are to adjudicate at the Hearing (see Regulations 6.5 and 6.6) he shall supply them with copies of the documents referred to in Regulations 22, and 23.
- 34 The chairman of the adjudicating panel shall appoint a date (no later than 42 days after the Appeal Date) and venue for the Hearing and the Assistant Clerk shall give all persons concerned not less than 7 days' notice of the place, date and time of the Hearing.
- 35 The Respondent shall within 7 days after being informed of the date of the Hearing notify the Clerk whether or not he will attend the Hearing, either in person or by a representative.
- 36.1* An Affiliated Person shall not without good and sufficient cause absent himself from the Hearing of any ... appeal after having been requested with reasonable notice to attend.
- 36.2* An Affiliated Person shall not without good and sufficient cause in connection with such an ... appeal refuse to answer any question if directed to answer (see Regulation 36.3) by the chairman of the adjudicating body.
- 36.3 The chairman shall not direct a witness that he must answer a question if the chairman is satisfied that the witness would incriminate himself by answering.
- 36.4 When a party is represented, the representative will state the grounds of appeal and make out the case, and all questions will be put by the representative and not by the party.
- 36.5 "Witness" includes a party when giving evidence or making a statement.
- 36.6 A member of the Panel may question any witness directly.
- 36.7 Except as provided by Regulation 36.6 all questions must be asked through the Panel Chairman.
- 36.8 Regulations 40.2, 40.4, 41, 42.2 and 42.4 shall apply only when there is a Third Party involved, but the order may be changed if the Panel Chairman thinks it appropriate to do so.

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- 36.9 An adjudicating Panel may consider written statements from any person not able to be present but will take account of the fact that the contents cannot be tested by cross examination. A party wishing to introduce a written statement must provide five copies: one for the other party, one for the Clerk and three for the Panel. A further copy must be provided for a third party to the appeal if there is one
- 37.1 Subject to the application of Regulation 37.3 except as provided in Regulation 37.2 a Hearing shall be in public.
- 37.2 A Hearing shall be in private if it involves a party under the age of 18 years at the date of the Hearing.
- 37.3 Unless conducting the case, a witness may not, except with permission of the chairman, be present before giving evidence.
- 38 The Panel shall have the power to adjourn the proceedings at any time.
- 39 **Opening**
- 39.1 The chairman will open the proceedings by stating the names of the parties to the Appeal and the action or decision against which the Appeal is made.
- 39.2 If a Third Party is involved the Panel Chairman will announce in which order the Respondent and the Third Party will operate if to be different from that set out in Regulations 40, 41 and 42.
- 40 **Appellant's Case**
- 40.1 The Appellant shall state the grounds of the appeal and make out his case, calling witnesses if desired.
- 40.2 *The Third Party may question any witness for the appellant.*
- 40.3. The Respondent may question any witness for the appellant.
- 40.4 *The Third Party may ask any witness for the appellant further questions limited to matters arising from the Respondent's questions.*
- 40.5 The Appellant may ask further questions limited to matters arising from the questions of *the Third Party or the Respondent.*
- 41 **Third Party's case**
- 41.1 *The Third Party shall then put his case, calling witnesses if desired.*
- 41.2 *The Respondent may question any witness for the Third Party.*
- 41.3 *The Appellant may question any witness for the Third Party.*
- 41.4 *The Respondent may ask any witness for the Third Party further questions limited to matters arising from the Appellant's questions.*
- 41.5 *The Third Party may ask further questions of his witnesses limited to matters arising from the questions of the Respondent or the Appellant.*
- 42 **Respondent's case**
- 42.1 The Respondent shall then put his case, calling witnesses if desired.
- 42.2 *The Third Party may question any witness for the Respondent.*
- 42.3 The Appellant may question any witness for the Respondent.
- 42.4 *The Third Party may ask any witness for the Respondent further questions limited to matters arising from the Appellant's questions.*
- 42.5 The Respondent may ask further questions limited to matters arising from the questions of *the Third Party or the Appellant.*
- 43 **Closing Speech**
The Appellant may make a closing speech.
- 44 **Panel Adjudication**
- 44.1 The Panel shall then deliberate in private, all other persons except the Clerk

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- withdrawing, but may re-open the Hearing to ask further questions for clarification only.
- 44.2 The chairman of the Panel shall announce the finding of the Panel and comply with Regulation 10.1.

PART V EXPEDITED PROCEDURE (Regulations 45 to 50)

- 45 In the case of an appeal under Rule (2006/7)45.14.5 against a decision of the Disciplinary Committee relating to a breach of Rule (2006/7)45.14 (doping), when acknowledging the appeal under Regulation 19.1 the General Secretary shall ask the Appellant whether or not he wishes the matter to be dealt under the expedited procedure, that is procedure to enable a Hearing to take place within 14 days.
- 46 If the Appellant chooses the expedited procedure the following Regulations 47-50 shall apply and Regulations 21-23 and Regulation 34 shall not apply.
- 47 The Assistant Clerk shall arrange the Hearing to be on a date not later than 14 days after the appeal was made.
- 48 The Appellant shall send to the Assistant Clerk as soon as possible copies of all documents he intends to produce to the adjudicating panel in connection with the appeal.
- 49 The Secretary to the Disciplinary Committee shall provide the Assistant Clerk with a copy of the Minutes of the Disciplinary Committee hearing and decision and of all documents relevant to the appeal.
- 50 The Secretary to the Disciplinary Committee shall notify the Assistant Clerk of the name and status of the person appointed to represent the Disciplinary Committee at the Hearing.

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 FEES PAYABLE (Regulation 17.3)

Administrative Year	By an Individual	By an Organisation
2004/5, 2005/6	£10.00	£20.00
2006/7, 2007/8	£12.50	£25.00
2008/9	£15.00	£30.00

SCHEDULE 'B' to BOARD OF APPEAL REGULATIONS
 REGULATIONS BASED ON RULES

The regulations the numbers of which are listed in the left-hand column below and are marked * in the main text reproduce or are based on the corresponding rules the numbers of which are listed in the right-hand column below. The Rule numbers shown are for 2006/7.

Regulation No.	Rule No.
1.1	51.1
1.2	51.2
1.3	51.3
4.1	51.4
5.1	49.1
5.1.1	49.1.2
5.1.2	49.1.3
5.1.3	45.14.5
5.2	49.2
5.3	49.4
5.3.1	49.4.1
5.3.2	49.4.2
5.3.3	49.4.3
5.3.4	49.4.4
5.4	49.5
5.4.1	49.5.1
5.4.2	49.5.2
5.4.3	49.5.3
5.5	49.6
6.1	51.5
7	51.6
8	51.7
9	51.8
10.1	51.9
10.2	52
11.1	49.12
11.2	49.13
11.3	49.14
13.1	49.10
13.2	49.11
17.1	49.7
17.3	49.8
17.5	49.9
36.1	45.22.1
36.2	45.22.2

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SCHEDULE 'C' to BOARD OF APPEAL REGULATIONS

MEMBER OF BOARD JUDICIAL DECLARATION (Regulation 1.4)

ETTA Minute NC II.54 4687/2/DMN (27.02.01) records that on 20 January 2001 National Council resolved "That as a matter of National Council policy it shall be a condition of appointment to the ETTA Board of Appeal under ETTA Rule (2000/1) 38.1 that the person appointed makes a declaration in the following terms"

"I (full name) of (address), in accepting appointment as a member of the English Table Tennis Association Board of Appeal, DECLARE that when adjudicating as a member of the Board I will adjudicate between the parties involved in matters on which I am called upon to adjudicate according to the Rules of the English Table Tennis Association and Regulations properly made under its authority, and the Rules and properly made Regulations of a County Association or Local League as appropriate, without fear or favour, affection or ill will."

SCHEDULE 'D' to BOARD OF APPEAL REGULATIONS

LIST OF FORMS, PRECEDENTS etc: Series AB

Regulation

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| 1. List of Forms, Precedents etc | |
| 2. Guidance Notes for Panel Chairman | |
| 3. Guidance Notes for General Secretary and Assistant Clerk | |
| 4. Guidance Notes for the Clerk to the Board | |
| 5. | |
| 6. List 'A': Panel Chairmen | 6.2 |
| 7. List 'B': Panel Members (to include all members of Board) | 6.2 |
| 8. (for Appeal lodged out of time) Letter from Appellant to Clerk giving reasons for Appeal having been put in out of time, and why Board should exercise discretion and deal with it | 17.6 |
| 9. (for Appeal against County Association relating to decision by the County Association of an appeal) Letter from Appellant to Clerk stating which exception in ETTA Rule (2006/7)49.5 applies to give Board jurisdiction to deal with the Appeal | 5.4 |
| 10. (when notice of appeal received without fee) Letter: General Secretary or Assistant Clerk to Appellant asking for Appeal Fee | 17.3 |
| 11. Letter: General Secretary or Assistant Clerk to Appellant acknowledging receipt of Appeal | 19.1 |
| 12. Letter: Assistant Clerk to Respondent notifying that Appeal lodged | 19.2 |
| 13. Letter: Assistant Clerk to Clerk notifying that Appeal lodged | 18.1 |
| 14. Letter: Assistant Clerk to Clerk sending names of Panel members | 20 |

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15. Letter: Assistant Clerk to Appellant and Respondent notifying Appeal Date when preliminary point (jurisdiction or “out of time” has had to be considered	21.1
16. Letter: Assistant Clerk to Appellant and Respondent notifying that Panel has decided that no jurisdiction to hear Appeal	21.2
17. Letter: Assistant Clerk to Appellant and Respondent notifying that Panel has decided not to allow appeal lodged out of time to proceed	21.2
18. Letter (Form) : Appellant to Assistant Clerk and Respondent sending information (and written statement)	22.1
19. Letter (Form) : Respondent to Assistant Clerk and Appellant sending information (and written statement)	23.1
20. Statement by Appellant	25
21. Statement by Respondent	26
22. Reply by Appellant to Statement by Respondent	28
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24. List of Documents	AB3 GN 15
25. Letter: Assistant Clerk to Panel Members sending List of Documents, documents (if not already sent) and seeking decision re Hearing	29
26. Letter: Assistant Clerk to possible Third Party asking whether he wishes to be a Third Party to the Appeal	14.1
27 Letter Assistant Clerk to Appellant and Letter Assistant Clerk to Respondent notifying that there will not be a Hearing and asking whether they wish to send a written statement	25, 26, 28
28. Letter giving Notice of Hearing	34
29. Letter: Respondent to Assistant Clerk and Appellant informing them whether or not he will attend Hearing	
30. Case List	
31. Official Minute	10.1
32. Record of Appeals heard	
33. Rights of Appeal	
34. Regulation-making Delegation Authority	4.2
35.	
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40. Member of Board Judicial Declaration	1.4

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SCHEDULE 'E' to BOARD OF APPEAL REGULATIONS
TIME SCHEDULE

Date No.		Regulation
1.	Receipt of Appeal Notice of Appeal, Fee and details of R received by GS	17.1-17.3.
2	GS notify C of appeal	18.1
3	By RA + 1 GS (AC) acknowledge to A, sending Regulations and directing A to write to AC and to R	19.1
4	AC notify R of appeal, sending Regulations and directing R to write to AC and to A	19.2
5	As soon as known AC notify C of members of Adjudicating Panel	20
6	'Appeal Date' either (i) day on which Notice of Appeal and fee received or (ii) if jurisdiction to be decided, not later than RA + 21	18.2
7	by AD + 2 AC inform A of AD if AD not same as RA	21
8	by AD + 7 A notify AC and R whether Hearing required	22.1
9	A supply AC and R with information and documents	22
10	(W) A supply AC and R with statement	25
11	by AD + 16 R notify AC and A whether Hearing desired	23.1
12	R supply AC and A with information and documents	23
13	(W) R supply AC and A with Answer to A's statement	26
14	by AD + 23 (W) A supply AC and R with Reply to R's Answer	28
15	by AD + 28 (W) AC send documents etc. to Panel members and C	29
16	as soon as adjudicating members known (H) AC send documents etc. to Panel members and C	33
17	not later than 7 days before Hearing Date (H) all parties to receive notice of Hearing	34
18	by AD + 42 (W) Appeal to be decided by adjudicating panel (H) Hearing Date	30 34

KEY: A = Appellant
AC = Assistant Clerk
AD = "Appeal Date"
C = Clerk to the Board or Deputy if appropriate
GS = ETTA General Secretary
R = Respondent
RA = Date on which notice of Appeal and Fee received
H - applies only to procedure with Hearing
W - applies only to procedure without Hearing

NOTE: Under Regulation 15.3 an adjudicating panel of the Board has power to extend or abridge time limits.

This document cancels and replaces Document 5421/739/CJC (14.04.06), with effect from **7.07.07**

APPENDIX P to RULES: ANTI-DOPING REGULATIONS (2nd edition)

- 1 Doping
 - 1.1 Each of the following acts or omissions shall constitute a doping offence under these Regulations;
 - 1.1.1 the presence of a prohibited substance or its metabolites or markers in a player's bodily specimen unless the player can establish that the presence is in accordance with a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE), granted as specified in Regulation 8.
 - 1.1.2 using, or attempting to use, a prohibited substance or a prohibited method, as defined in the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) Prohibited List, unless he or she can establish that the use or attempted use is in accordance with a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE).
 - 1.1.3 refusing or failing, without compelling justification, to submit to sample collection after notification, as authorised in these Regulations or other anti-doping rules, or otherwise to evade sample collection;
 - 1.1.4 failing to comply with applicable requirements regarding availability for out-of-competition testing, including (without limitation) failure to provide required whereabouts information (as set out in these Regulations or in analogous provisions of other applicable regulations) and missed tests which are declared based on the provisions of these Regulations or in analogous provisions of other applicable regulations;
 - 1.1.5 tampering, or attempting to tamper, with any part of doping control;
 - 1.1.6 possession by a player at any time or place of a prohibited substance or method, unless he or she can establish that the possession is in accordance with a TUE or other acceptable justification;
 - 1.1.7 trafficking in any prohibited substance or prohibited method;
 - 1.1.8 administering or attempting to administer a prohibited substance or prohibited method to a player (unless the player establishes that the administration or attempted administration was in accordance with a TUE), or assisting, encouraging, aiding, abetting, covering up or engaging in any other type of complicity involving a doping offence or an attempted doping offence.
 - 1.1.9 possession by player support personnel of a substance that is prohibited in Out-of-Competition Testing or a Prohibited Method in connection with a player's competition or training, unless the support personnel can establish that the possession is in accordance with a TUE or other acceptable justification.
 - 1.2 It shall be the responsibility of an Affiliated Person to familiarise himself or herself with the Prohibited List and the related Standard and amendments thereto.
 - 1.3 Unless otherwise specified by WADA, any changes to the Prohibited List shall come into effect automatically 3 months after publication by WADA.
 - 1.4 If it is established that there is a case to answer under Regulation 1.1 the General Secretary shall make a formal allegation of breach of the ETTA Disciplinary Code against the alleged offender.
- 2 Application
 - 2.1 these regulations shall apply
 - 2.1.1 to all Affiliated Persons, including all members of Affiliated Organisations and of organisations in Good Standing;
 - 2.1.2 to all Persons participating in any capacity in Events, Competitions and other activities organised, convened or authorised by the ETTA or any of its member or affiliate organisations or licensees, wherever held, whether or not such member or other Person is a citizen of or resident in the United Kingdom.
 - 2.1.3 *except as provided in 2.4, to all Persons participating as a member of a Great Britain Olympic representative Table Tennis squad (a "Team GB Athlete") in Events, Competitions and other activities organised, convened or authorised by the Great Britain Olympic Table Tennis Board, wherever held.*

- 2.2 To be affiliated to the ETTA, or to be eligible to participate (in the case of a player) or to assist any Participant (in the case of Player Support Personnel) in any Event, Competition or other activity organised, convened or authorised by the ETTA or any of its member or affiliate organisations or licensees, a Participant must agree to be bound by and to comply with these Regulations. By becoming affiliated or by so participating or assisting, a Participant shall be deemed to have agreed
- 2.2.1 to be bound by and to abide strictly by these Regulations and all other anti-doping rules applicable to him or her;
- 2.2.2 to submit to the authority of the ETTA and any designee(s) of the ETTA, including UK Sport, to apply, police and enforce these Regulations;
- 2.2.3 to provide all requested assistance to the ETTA and its designee(s), including UK Sport, in the application, policing and enforcement of these Regulations, including (without limitation) cooperating fully with any investigation or proceedings being conducted under these Regulations in relation to any suspected Doping Offence(s);
- 2.2.4 in the case of a Player, to make him or herself available for and to submit to Sample collection both In-Competition and Out-of-Competition;
- 2.2.5 to submit to the jurisdiction of the Disciplinary Committee to hear and determine charges brought by the ETTA under Regulation 1.4.
- 2.2.6 to submit to the jurisdiction of any Appeal Panel convened to hear and determine appeals made in accordance with these Regulations;
- 2.2.7 to submit to the jurisdiction of CAS to hear further appeals made in accordance with these Regulations; and
- 2.2.8 further to Regulation 21.3, not to bring any proceedings in any court or other forum that are inconsistent with the foregoing submission to the jurisdiction of the Disciplinary Committee, the Board of Appeal and CAS.
- 2.3 It is acknowledged that certain of the Persons that are subject to these Regulations may also be subject to the anti-doping rules of other Anti-Doping Organisations, including (in the case of International-Level Players) the anti-doping rules of the ITTF and that the same conduct of such Persons may implicate not only these Regulations but also the rules of such other Anti-Doping Organisations. The jurisdictional and other issues arising in such event shall be resolved in accordance with the rules of the ITTF and the Code.
- 2.4 It is acknowledged that there is an agreement in place between British Table Tennis Federation Limited, English Table Tennis Association (ETTA), Table Tennis Scotland, Table Tennis Association of Wales and Irish Table Tennis Association Ulster Branch that Team GB Athletes will be subject to the jurisdiction of the ETTA whilst acting in their capacity as Team GB members, but that the result management process and investigation of possible Doping Offences arising out of such Testing (including the conduct of any hearing and the imposition of any applicable sanctions) will be the exclusive responsibility of the national governing body for the sport of table tennis in the country to which the Team GB Athlete is affiliated, pursuant to its own anti-doping rules. For the avoidance of doubt, all Team GB Athletes therefore agree to submit to the jurisdiction of the ETTA for the purposes of Testing of Team GB members only and acknowledge that the result management process following such Testing will be conducted, in the case of a Team GB Athlete who is a member of
- 2.4.1 English Table Tennis, by the ETTA in accordance with these Regulations;
- 2.4.2 Scottish Table Tennis, by Table Tennis Scotland in accordance with their anti-doping Rules;
- 2.4.3 Welsh Table Tennis, by the Table Tennis Association of Wales, in accordance with their anti-doping Rules;
- 2.4.4 Northern Ireland Table Tennis, by the Irish table Tennis Association, Ulster Branch, in accordance with their anti-doping Rules.
- 3 Core Responsibilities
- 3.1 Further to each Player's obligation to comply with these Regulations, it is the responsibility of each Player:

- 31.1 to acquaint him or herself, and to ensure that each Person from whom he or she takes advice (including medical personnel) is acquainted, with all of the provisions of these Regulations (including any amendments thereto); and
- 3.1.2 to take responsibility for what he or she ingests and uses; and
- 3.1.3 to ensure that any medical treatment he or she receives does not infringe these Regulations.
- 3.2 Further to the obligation of Player Support Personnel to comply with these Regulations, it is the responsibility of Player Support Personnel:
- 3.2.1 to acquaint themselves with all of the provisions of these Regulations (including any amendments thereto);
- 3.2.2 to cooperate in the Testing of Players; and
- 3.2.3 to use their influence on Player values and behaviour to foster anti-doping attitudes.
- 3.3 Each Participant shall continue to be bound by and required to comply with these Regulations (including any amended or successor versions thereto) unless and until he or she is deemed by the ETTA to have retired from the sport of table tennis.
- 4 Interpretation
- 4.1 Save where otherwise indicated, capitalised terms used in these Regulations shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Appendix, which shall be considered an integral part of these Regulations.
- 4.2 The headings used in these Regulations are for convenience only and shall not be deemed part of the substance of these Regulations or to affect in any way the language of the provisions to which they refer.
- 4.3 These Regulations recognise and have been adopted in accordance with the mandatory provisions of the Code and shall be interpreted in a manner that is consistent with those provisions. The comments sections annotating various provisions of the Code shall be used, where applicable, to assist in the understanding and interpretation of these Regulations.
- 5 Commencement, Validity and Amendment
- 5.1 These Regulations shall come into full force and effect on [TBA]. They shall not apply retrospectively to matters arising prior to that date; provided, however, for the avoidance of doubt, that any offence found to have been committed under rules in force prior to that date shall be taken into account as a prior doping offence when applying the sanctioning provisions set out in Regulation 17.
- 5.2 The ETTA shall be responsible for overseeing the evolution and improvement of these Regulations. Amendments to these Regulations shall be approved and shall come into effect in accordance with the Constitution of the ETTA, save that amendments by WADA to the Code, the Prohibited List and any International Standards shall come into effect as set out in the Code.
- 5.3 Amendments to these Regulations shall be binding upon all Persons to whom they apply. In particular, Players and Player Support Personnel shall be deemed to accept such amendments as binding upon them without further formality.
- 6 Doping Offences
- 6.1 It is each Player's personal duty to ensure that no Prohibited Substance enters his or her body. Players are responsible for any Prohibited Substance or its Metabolites or Markers found to be present in their bodily Specimens. Accordingly, it is not necessary that intent, fault, negligence or knowing Use on the Player's part be demonstrated in order to establish a Doping Offence under Regulation 1.1; nor is the Player's lack of intent, fault, negligence or knowledge a valid defence to a charge that a Doping Offence has been committed.

- 6.2 Except for those substances for which a quantitative reporting threshold is specifically identified in the Prohibited List, the detected presence of any quantity of a Prohibited Substance or its Metabolites or Markers in a Player's Sample shall constitute a Doping Offence, unless the Player establishes that such presence is in accordance with a TUE.
- 6.3 As an exception to the general rule, the Prohibited List may establish special criteria for the evaluation of Prohibited Substances that can also be produced endogenously.
- 6.4 The success or failure of the Use of a Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method is not material. For a Doping Offence to be committed, it is sufficient that the Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method was Used or Attempted to be Used.
- 6.5 Regulations 9.2 and 9.3 set out the circumstances in which a failure by a Player to provide whereabouts information or failure to be available for an Out-of-Competition Test shall constitute a Doping Offence under Regulation 1.1.3.
- 6.6 Where a Player who is subject to these Regulations is subject also to the specific requirements of the ITTF or any other Anti-Doping Organisation regarding Player availability for Out-of-Competition Testing, a failure to satisfy such requirements may be relied upon (including in combination with any analogous failure under these Regulations) as the basis for bringing proceedings against the Player for breach of Regulation 1.1.
- 7 The Prohibited List
- 7.1 Incorporation of the Prohibited List and the International Standard for the Prohibited List
- 7.1.1 These Regulations adopt and incorporate the Prohibited List and the WADA International Standard for the Prohibited List, as amended from time to time. It shall be the responsibility of Participants to familiarise themselves with the Prohibited List and related Standard and all amendments thereto.
- 7.1.2 The current Prohibited List is available on the websites of WADA (www.wada-ama.org) and UK Sport (www.uk sport.gov.uk) and is reproduced in full in the UK Sport Anti-Doping Procedures Guide for Sport.
- 7.1.3 The Prohibited List may be amended by WADA from time to time. Unless provided otherwise by WADA, such amendments shall come into effect under these Regulations three (3) months after publication of the amendments by WADA without requiring any further action by the ETTA.
- 7.2 Prohibited Substances and Prohibited Methods Identified on the Prohibited List
- 7.2.1 The Prohibited List identifies those Prohibited Substances and Prohibited Methods which are prohibited at all times (both In-Competition and Out-of-Competition) and those additional substances and methods which are prohibited In-Competition only.
- 7.2.2 Prohibited Substances and Prohibited Methods may be included in the Prohibited List by general category (e.g. anabolic agents) or by specific reference to a particular substance or method or sport.
- 7.2.3 Upon the recommendation of the ITTF, the Prohibited List may be expanded by WADA for the sport of table tennis, in which case such special provision shall be expressly identified in the Prohibited List.
- 7.2.4 WADA's determination of the Prohibited Substances and Prohibited Methods that will be included on the Prohibited List shall be final and shall not be subject to challenge by a Player or other Person on any grounds.
- 8 Therapeutic Use Exemptions (TUEs)
- 8.1 Incorporation of the International Standard for TUEs
- 8.1.1 The Code permits Players and their physicians to apply for permission to Use, for therapeutic purposes, substances or methods on the Prohibited List whose Use is otherwise prohibited.
- 8.1.2 The International Standard for TUEs sets out the circumstances in which Players may claim such an exemption. These Regulations adopt and incorporate that Standard, as amended from time to time. All Persons shall be deemed to accept the Standard and any amendments thereto as binding upon them without further formality.

8.2 Scope and Effect of TUEs

- 8.2.1 In order to excuse the presence or Use or Possession of a Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method that would otherwise amount to a Doping Offence under Regulations 1.1.1 or 1.1.2, a TUE must be obtained that covers such presence or Use or Possession.
- 8.2.2 Players in the International Registered Testing Pool should apply to the ITTF for a TUE in accordance with the rules of the ITTF, unless the ITTF has agreed that UK Sport may process TUE applications for such Players in accordance with these Regulations, in which case such applications may be made in accordance with Regulation 8.2.3.
- 8.2.3 Subject only to Regulation 8.7, which identifies limited circumstances in which a TUE may be granted retrospectively:
- 8.2.3.1 a Player in the National Registered Testing Pool must obtain a Therapeutic Use Exemption in accordance with Regulation 8.3 prior to Using or Possessing the Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method in question; and
- 8.2.3.2 the ETTA may also establish a further pool of Players not in the International or National Registered Testing Pools (the Domestic Pool) who are required to obtain a Therapeutic Use Exemption in accordance with Regulation 8.3 prior to Using or Possessing the Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method in question.
- 8.2.4 If a Player outside of the International Testing Pool, the National Registered Testing Pool and the Domestic Pool is tested in accordance with these Regulations, and that Player has been Using a Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method to treat a documented medical condition, he or she may make a retrospective TUE application to UK Sport either:
- 8.2.4.1 at the time of testing (for inclusion with Sample collection documentation); or
- 8.2.4.2 so that it is received by UK Sport no later than five (5) working days after the test is completed.
- 8.2.5 For Events held in the UK under the jurisdiction of the ITTF, the TUE rules of the ITTF will apply.
- 8.2.6 A Player may not apply to more than one Anti-Doping Organisation for a TUE. A Player subject to these Regulations who applies for a TUE under the rules of the ITTF or another Anti-Doping Organisation shall report the grant or denial of the application immediately to both the ETTA and UK Sport, by sending them copies of the application and the decision.
- 8.2.7 In accordance with Regulation 20 (Mutual Recognition) of the Code, the ETTA will recognise and respect any TUE granted to a Player by or on behalf of a Signatory, provided that the grant is consistent with the Code and is within that Signatory's authority. Otherwise, however, a Player subject to these Regulations who requires a TUE must obtain one from UK Sport in accordance with this Regulation.
- ## 8.3 TUE Application Process
- 8.3.1 Save where Regulation 8.3.2 applies, a Player requiring a TUE must follow the process for standard TUE applications detailed in the UK Sport Anti-Doping Procedures Guide for Sport.
- 8.3.2 Where the International Standard for TUEs allows an abbreviated procedure to be used (generally in cases where the Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method in question is recognised as appropriate for use to treat medical conditions frequently encountered in the Player population: see paragraph 8.2 of the International Standard for TUEs), the Player may follow the process for abbreviated TUE applications detailed in the UK Sport Anti-Doping Procedures Guide for Sport.
- ## 8.4 Grant of a Therapeutic Use Exemption
- 8.4.1 An application for a standard TUE will go before the UK Sport TUE Committee for prompt consideration in accordance with the UK Sport Anti-Doping Procedures Guide for Sport. The UK Sport TUE Committee will only grant the TUE in strict accordance with the following criteria, which it is the Player's burden to satisfy:
- 8.4.1.1 Subject to Regulations 8.2.4 and 8.7, the TUE application must be submitted to UK Sport as soon as the requirement for the TUE arises and (save in exceptional circumstances: see Regulation 8.7) no less than 21 days before participating in an Event or Competition.

- 8.4.1.2 The application must be completed in full, signed by the Player and the prescribing physician(s), and accompanied by all relevant medical information as specified in the UK Sport Anti-Doping Procedures Guide for Sport.
- 8.4.1.3 The Player would experience a significant impairment to health if the Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method in question were to be withheld in the course of treating an acute or chronic medical condition.
- 8.4.1.4 The Therapeutic Use of the Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method in question would produce no additional enhancement to performance other than that which might be anticipated by a return to a state of normal health following the treatment of a legitimate medical condition. The Use of any Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method to increase "low-normal" levels of any endogenous hormone is not considered an acceptable Therapeutic intervention.
- 8.4.1.5 There is no reasonable Therapeutic alternative to the Use of the otherwise Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method.
- 8.4.1.6 The necessity for the Use of the otherwise Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method cannot be a consequence, wholly or in part, of the Player's prior non-Therapeutic Use of any substance from the Prohibited List.
- 8.4.2 An abbreviated TUE will be deemed to have been granted on the date that UK Sport acknowledges receipt of a properly completed abbreviated TUE application; provided that the abbreviated TUE may be revoked at any time thereafter, in accordance with the provisions of the UK Sport Anti-Doping Procedures Guide for Sport, if it is subsequently determined that the criteria for its grant are not satisfied.
- 8.4.3 A TUE (abbreviated or standard) will have a specified duration as decided on a case by case basis by UK Sport or the UK Sport TUE Committee (as applicable). It may also be granted subject to such conditions or restrictions as UK Sport or the UK Sport TUE Committee (as applicable) may see fit. On expiry of the term of the TUE, a Player who wishes to continue to Use the Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method in question must again apply for a TUE in accordance with this Regulation.
- 8.4.4 A Player may not assume that his or her application for a TUE (or for renewal of a TUE) will be granted. Any Use or Possession of a Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method before an application has been granted shall be entirely at the Player's own risk.
- 8.4.5 The submission of false or misleadingly incomplete information in support of a TUE application (including but not limited to the failure to advise of the unsuccessful outcome of a prior application to another Anti-Doping Organisation for such a TUE) may result in the bringing of disciplinary charges for misconduct against those involved under the disciplinary rules of the ETTA or other applicable rules.
- 8.5 Expiration or Cancellation of a TUE
- 8.5.1 A TUE granted in accordance with these Regulations:
- 8.5.1.1 shall expire in accordance with Regulation 8.4.3 at the end of any term for which the TUE was granted;
- 8.5.1.2 may be cancelled by UK Sport if the Player does not promptly comply with any requirements or conditions imposed by UK Sport or the UK Sport TUE Committee (as applicable) upon grant of the TUE or
- 8.5.1.3 may be withdrawn by UK Sport or the UK Sport TUE Committee (as applicable) in accordance with Regulation 8.4.2 if it is subsequently determined that the criteria for grant of a TUE are not in fact met.
- 8.5.2 Expiration of a TUE in accordance with Regulation 8.5.1.1 shall take effect automatically at the end of the term for which the TUE was granted without the need for any further notice or other formality.
- 8.5.3 Cancellation of a TUE in accordance with Regulation 8.5.1.2 or withdrawal of a TUE in accordance with Regulation 8.5.1.3 shall be notified by UK Sport to the Player by 1st class registered post to the Player's last known address, with copies to the ETTA, the ITTF and all other relevant Anti-Doping Organisations. Such notice shall take effect upon receipt, which shall be deemed to be 3 days after the date of posting.

- 8.5.4 In the event of an expiration, cancellation or withdrawal of the TUE in accordance with Regulation 8.5.1, the Player shall not be subject to any consequences based on his/her Use or Possession of the Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method in question in accordance with the TUE at any time prior to the effective date of expiry, cancellation or withdrawal of the TUE. The review in accordance with Regulation 10.1 of any subsequent Adverse Analytical Finding shall include consideration of whether such finding is consistent with Use of the Prohibited Substance or Method prior to that date, in which event there shall be no case to answer.
- 8.6 Review of Decision Granting or Denying TUE Application or Revoking or Withdrawing TUE
- 8.6.1 In accordance with Article 4.4 of the Code:
- 8.6.1.1 upon the request of a Player whose application for a TUE has been denied by UK Sport or the UK Sport TUE Committee, WADA may reverse such denial if it determines that such denial did not comply with the applicable International Standard for TUEs; and
- 8.6.1.2 on its own initiative, WADA may reverse any grant of a TUE if it determines that such grant did not comply with the applicable International Standard for TUEs; subject in each case to the right of the ETTA or UK Sport to appeal to CAS against WADA's decision, in accordance with Regulation 18.2.3.
- 8.6.2 Without prejudice to Regulation 8.6.1, a Player whose application for a TUE is denied, or granted subject to conditions or restrictions, or subsequently revoked or withdrawn by UK Sport or the UK Sport TUE Committee, may appeal that decision to the UK TUE Appeal Panel in the manner set out in the UK Sport Anti-Doping Procedures Guide for Sport. Alternatively, if the Player is an International-Level Player, he or she may at his election appeal the decision to CAS in accordance with Regulation 18.4.2.1. The ETTA, UK Sport and/or WADA may appeal to CAS against any decision of the UK TUE Appeal Panel overturning the original decision, in accordance with Regulation 18.2.2.
- 8.6.3 Until such time as the grant of a TUE application made in accordance with these Regulations has been reversed by WADA in accordance with Regulation 8.6.1, or the denial of a TUE application made in accordance with these Regulations has been reversed by WADA in accordance with Regulation 8.6.1 or overturned on appeal in accordance with Regulation 8.6.2, such grant or denial shall remain in full force and effect.
- 8.7 Emergency or Retrospective Approval of a TUE
- 8.7.1 Save as set out in Regulation 8.2.4, emergency or retrospective approval of an application for a TUE may be granted only where:
- 8.7.1.1 emergency treatment or treatment of an acute medical condition was necessary; or
- 8.7.1.2 owing to exceptional circumstances, there was insufficient time or opportunity for the Player to submit, or for the UK Sport TUE Committee to consider, an application prior to Doping Control.
- 8.8 Player Consent
- 8.8.1 A Player who seeks a TUE consents to the processing of the TUE application as set out in the UK Sport Anti-Doping Procedures Guide for Sport, including:
- 8.8.1.1 the communication by UK Sport of the information in the application to members of the UK Sport TUE Committee and (as required) on an anonymised basis to other independent medical or scientific experts consulted by the UK Sport TUE Committee;
- 8.8.1.2 the disclosure by the Player's physician(s) of any further information required by UK Sport or the UK Sport TUE Committee to process his/her TUE application; and
- 8.8.1.3 the communication of the grant or denial of a TUE, including the details of any conditions or restrictions on such grant, and any supporting documentation or information, to the ETTA, the ITTF, WADA and other Anti-Doping Organisations.
- 8.8.2 Should the Player wish to revoke the consent set out in Regulation 8.8.1, he or she must notify the ETTA, UK Sport and his/her physician(s) in writing of the fact; provided that upon such revocation of consent the application for a TUE (or for renewal of an existing TUE) will be deemed denied.

- 9 Testing
- 9.1 Incorporation of the International Standard for Testing
- 9.1.1 These Regulations adopt and incorporate the WADA International Standard for Testing, as amended from time to time. All Persons shall be deemed to accept that Standard and any amendments thereto as binding upon them without further formality.
- 9.2 Jurisdiction to Test
- 9.2.1 All Athletes who are subject to these Regulations must make themselves available for and must submit to Doping Control (urine and/or blood) at any time (whether In-Competition or Out-of-Competition, with notice or with No Advance Notice) in accordance with these Regulations, whether in the UK or overseas.
- 9.2.2 Testing conducted in accordance with these Regulations shall be carried out in substantial conformity with the International Standard for Testing in force at the time of Testing.
- 9.2.3 Other Anti-Doping Organisations may also have jurisdiction to test Athletes who are subject to these Regulations, in accordance with Article 15 of the Code. The ETТА shall recognise such Testing in accordance with Article 15.4 (Mutual Recognition) of the Code and may bring proceedings against an Athlete in accordance with these Regulations for a Doping Offence arising in relation to such Testing.
- 9.3 In-Competition Testing
- 9.3.1 At National Events the ETТА, in consultation with UK Sport, other relevant Anti-Doping Organisations or WADA, shall determine the number of Players to be selected for Testing in each Competition and the procedures for selecting the Players for Testing.
- 9.3.2 The ETТА shall provide Independent Observers with access to Testing conducted at National Events in accordance with these Regulations, subject to reasonable advance notice.
- 9.3.3 If the Testing produces evidence (for example, the presence of alcohol) that suggests that the Player's participation in a Competition or Event may present a risk to the Player or other participants, the ETТА may stop the Player participating in the Competition or Event pending further investigation.
- 9.3.4 At International Events, the collection of Samples shall be initiated and directed by the organiser of the Event. If the organiser of the Event decides not to conduct any Testing at an International Event taking place in the UK, then by agreement with the ITTF or WADA, UK Sport may initiate and conduct such Testing in accordance with these Regulations.
- 9.4 Out-of-Competition Testing
- 9.4.1 In addition to the general obligation on all Players who are subject to these Regulations to submit to Testing, including Out-of-Competition Testing, UK Sport, in consultation with the ETТА, shall establish, and may revise from time to time, a pool of Players subject to these Regulations (the National Registered Testing Pool) who are required to provide up-to-date whereabouts information to UK Sport and to make themselves available for Testing at such whereabouts in accordance with Regulation 9.5.2.
- 9.4.2 A Player subject to these Regulations may be included in the National Registered Testing Pool notwithstanding that he or she is also included in the International Registered Testing Pool and the failure by an Player in such pool(s) to satisfy such filing requirements and/or to be available for Testing at such whereabouts according to the applicable rules may be relied upon as the basis for the bringing of proceedings against the Player for breach of Regulation 1.1.4.
- 9.4.3 the ETТА or UK Sport will notify a Player in writing of his/her inclusion in the National Registered Testing Pool.
- 9.5 Additional Obligations on Players in a Testing Pool
- 9.5.1 Each Player, on notification of selection into the National Registered Testing Pool, shall provide personal details required for carrying out Testing, including details of any registered or other disabilities (including intellectual, sensorial or physical), in accordance with the UK Sport Anti-Doping Procedures Guide for Sport.

- 9.5.2 Each Player in the International Registered Testing Pool shall file whereabouts information, and shall make himself or herself available for Testing at such whereabouts in accordance with the Anti-Doping Regulation of the ITTF. A failure by any Player in the International Registered Testing Pool who is also subject to these Regulations to satisfy such requirements shall be counted as a failure under these Regulations for the purposes of Regulations 9.4.1 and 9.4.2 respectively and may therefore form the basis for the bringing of proceedings against the Player for breach of Regulation 1.1.4.
- 9.5.3 Each Player in the National Registered Testing Pool shall file quarterly reports with UK Sport in the manner set out in the UK Sport Anti-Doping Procedures Guide for Sport, specifying a minimum of one (1) location a day, for a minimum of five (5) days a week, identifying times on those days when he or she will be at that location for not less than one (1) hour. Locations could include, but are not limited to, a Player's place of residence, work or training venue. Players shall update this information as necessary so that it is current at all times. In accordance with Article 14.3 of the Code, UK Sport may provide such information on a confidential basis to WADA for purposes of Out-of-Competition testing by other Anti-Doping Organisations.
- 9.5.4 A Player in the National Registered Testing Pool who receives a written warning from UK Sport for failure to submit a required quarterly whereabouts report or any necessary update as required by Regulation 9.5.1 and yet fails to file such report or update within 7 working days of receipt of the warning shall be deemed to have failed to comply with Regulation 9.5.3. It shall be a Doping Offence under Regulation 1.1.3 for a Player to fail three separate times in any period of eighteen (18) consecutive months to comply with Regulation 9.5.3.
- 9.5.5 It shall be a Doping Offence under Regulations 1.1.3 or 1.1.4 for any Player in the National Registered Testing Pool to miss a test (ie to be unavailable for Testing at his or her declared whereabouts), without compelling justification, on three occasions during any period of eighteen (18) consecutive months. Notice shall be sent to the Player in respect of each attempt which the ETTA proposes to count as a missed test, inviting the Player to provide a written explanation for missing the test. If the ETTA, acting in consultation with UK Sport or other relevant Anti-Doping Organisation, considers that the explanation provided shows that the Player was reasonably prevented from updating his or her most recent whereabouts report to notify UK Sport that he or she would not be available at that location, or that there were exceptional circumstances why he or she was not available at that location, the Attempt will not be counted as a missed test. Otherwise, however, the Attempt will be counted as a missed test for purposes of Regulation 1.1.4. Such determination shall be without prejudice to the Player's right to submit such explanation as part of his/her defence to any proceedings subsequently brought against him or her under Regulation 1.4.
- 9.5.6 A Player is personally responsible for compliance with the provisions of Regulation 9. It shall not be a defence to proceedings brought under Regulations 1.1.3 or 1.1.4 that a Player delegated responsibility for compliance to another Person (eg a team coach) and that that Person failed to ensure compliance.
- 9.5.7 A Player who is in the National Registered Testing Pool shall continue to be subject to the additional requirements set out in Regulation 9.5 unless and until:
- 9.5.7.1 he or she gives written notice to the ETTA and UK Sport that he or she has retired from the sport of table tennis; or
- 9.5.7.2 UK Sport and/or the ETTA have informed him or her that he or she no longer satisfies the criteria for inclusion in the National Registered Testing Pool.
- 9.5.8 A Player who has retired from competition in the sport of table tennis may not resume competing unless he or she makes himself or herself available, by written notification of whereabouts information to the ETTA and UK Sport, for Out-of-Competition Testing.
- 9.6 Selection of Players for a Test
- 9.7.1 the ETTA, acting in consultation with UK Sport or other relevant Anti-Doping Organisations, will select Players for Testing using Target Testing, Weighted and random

selection methods, in accordance with the International Standard for Testing in force at the time of selection.

9.6.2 As a minimum, the ETTA shall consider Target Testing of Players based on the following information:

9.6.2.1 injury;

9.6.2.2 withdrawal or absence from expected Competition;

9.6.2.3 coming out of retirement;

9.6.2.4. behaviour indicating doping;

9.6.2.5 sudden major improvements in performance;

9.6.2.6 changes in the Player's whereabouts information that can indicate a potential increase in the risk of doping, including moving to a remote location;

9.6.2.7 the Player's sport performance history;

9.6.2.8 details of the Player's past Doping Controls;

9.6.2.9 the Player's reinstatement after a period of Ineligibility; and

9.6.2.10 reliable information from a third party.

9.6.2 In order to preserve the ability to conduct No Advance Notice Testing, those who become aware of the selection of an Player for Testing shall only disclose such information on a strictly need-to-know basis. Any failure to comply with this requirement may result in the bringing of disciplinary charges for misconduct against those involved in accordance with the disciplinary rules of the ETTA or other applicable disciplinary rules.

9.7 Testing of Minors

9.7.1 Testing under these Regulations may only be conducted on a Minor where a Person with legal responsibility for that Minor has given prior written consent.

9.7.2 Where the Minor is included in the National Registered Pool or the Domestic Pool, such consent must be provided upon notification of inclusion in the pool as a pre-condition to further participation in the sport. In all other cases, such consent must be provided at the time of the Testing in question as a pre-condition to further participation in the sport. In addition, the rules of a particular Event may require the provision of consent as provided in Regulation 9.7.1 as a pre-condition of participation by any Minor in the Event.

10 Initial Review Regarding Adverse Analytical Findings

10.1 Upon receipt of an Adverse Analytical Finding in relation to an A Sample, UK Sport on behalf of the ETTA shall conduct a review as soon as reasonably practicable of any TUE file maintained in relation to the Player as well as of the documentation relating to the Doping Control and the A Sample analysis to determine whether:

10.1.1 the Player holds a valid and applicable TUE; or

10.1.2 there has been a departure from the International Standard for Testing or the International Standard for Laboratories in force at the time of Testing or analysis of the Sample in question and in the event of such departure the ETTA shall determine, in consultation with UK Sport, whether the departure undermines the validity of the Adverse Analytical Finding.

10.2 If it is determined in accordance with Regulation 10.1 either that the Player holds a valid and applicable TUE, or that there has been a departure from either the applicable International Standard for Testing or the applicable International Standard for Laboratories that undermines the validity of the Adverse Analytical Finding, then no further action shall be taken in relation to such Adverse Analytical Finding, but he or she may subsequently be made the subject of Target Testing.

10.3 If it is determined in accordance with Regulation 10.1 that there is neither a valid and applicable TUE nor a departure from either the applicable International Standard for Testing or the applicable International Standard for Laboratories that undermines the validity of the Adverse Analytical Finding, then there shall be deemed to be a case to answer under Regulation 1.1.1 and the matter shall proceed as set out in Regulation 1.4; save that where the Prohibited List requires that further investigation be undertaken in relation to an Adverse Analytical Finding to determine whether there is a case to answer, the ETTA shall first write to the Player, advising him or her of:

- 10.3.1 the Adverse Analytical Finding;
- 10.3.2 the determination made in accordance with Regulation 10.3; and
- 10.3.3 the further investigation that is required to be undertaken to determine whether there is a case to answer.
- 10.4 The Player shall co-operate fully with the further investigation required by the Prohibited List so that it may be determined as soon as reasonably practicable whether there is a case to answer in relation to the Adverse Analytical Finding. Any failure to do so:
- 10.4.1 may, if it involves refusal to submit to Doping Control, constitute a separate Doping Offence under these Regulations; and
- 10.4.2 without prejudice thereto, may result in the bringing of disciplinary charges for misconduct against the Player under the disciplinary rules of the ETTA or other applicable disciplinary rules.
- 10.5 If it is determined following further investigation in accordance with Regulation 11.1 that there is a case to answer under Regulation 1.1, then the matter shall proceed as set out in Regulation 1.4. If it is determined following such further investigation that there is no case to answer, however, then no further action shall be taken in relation to the Adverse Analytical Finding and the Player shall be advised accordingly, but the Player may subsequently be made the subject of Target Testing
- 11 Review of Evidence Other Than Adverse Analytical Findings
- 11.1 Where a matter arises that involves evidence of a Doping Offence other than an Adverse Analytical Finding, then the ETTA shall conduct any further investigation required in order to determine whether there is a case to answer under Regulation 1.1, including the seeking of any additional information. This may include, where the ETTA considers it appropriate to do so, giving the person(s) implicated in the alleged Doping Offence an opportunity, subject to compliance with a strict time-table, to make such submission as he or she may wish. If the ETTA decides to invite such submissions, a formal hearing is not required to be held. Instead, the ETTA shall determine how the submissions should be made, such as (for example) in writing, or by telephone conference.
- 11.2 Failure by any Participant to cooperate in full with an investigation undertaken in accordance with Regulation 10.1 may result in the bringing of disciplinary charges for misconduct against those involved under the disciplinary rules of the ETTA or other applicable disciplinary rules.
- 11.3 Where, following the conclusion of any investigation and assessment of the evidence, the ETTA concludes that there is no case to answer under Regulation 1.1, no further action shall be taken but the Player may subsequently be made the subject of Target Testing.
- 11.4 Where, following the conclusion of any investigation and assessment of the evidence, the ETTA concludes that there is a case to answer under Regulation 1.1, the matter shall proceed as set out in Regulation 1.4.
- 11.5 The ETTA shall send to UK Sport, the ITTF and WADA copies of any notification to a Player that he or she has a case to answer in relation to an alleged Doping offence.
- 12 B Sample Analysis
- 12.1 Where the Player timely exercises his or her right to have the B Sample analysed, or (if the Player waives such right) where the ETTA sees fit, the ETTA or its nominee will arrange for the B Sample to be analysed at the same laboratory as analysed the A Sample (although not by the analyst who tested the A Sample).
- 12.2 The B Sample analysis shall take place as soon as reasonably practicable, on a date arranged by the ETTA or UK Sport with the laboratory, and the Player and/or his or her representative shall have a right to attend on that date at their cost to witness the opening and analysis of the B Sample, as shall representatives of the ETTA, the ITTF and UK Sport. There shall be no right to an adjournment of the date. If the Player or his or her representative is unable to attend on the designated date, then the laboratory shall arrange for an independent witness to attend the B Sample analysis in accordance with the International Standard for Laboratories.

- 12.3 If the B Sample analysis tests negative for the Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method that was found in relation to the A Sample, the entire test shall be considered negative and the Player and the ETTA will be so informed. In such circumstances, no further disciplinary action shall be taken against the Player in relation to the original Adverse Analytical Finding but he or she may subsequently be made the subject of Target Testing.
- 12.4 Where the Player or the Player's team has been removed from a Competition as a result of the Player's Adverse Analytical Finding, but the subsequent B Sample analysis tests negative for the Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method that was found in relation to the A Sample, if it is still possible, without otherwise affecting the Competition, for the Player or team to be reinserted, the Player or team may continue to take part in the Competition.
- 12.5 If the B Sample analysis tests positive for the Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method that was found in relation to the A Sample, then the ETTA shall provide the B Sample laboratory documentation package (including information required by the International Standard for Laboratories) to the Player, and the matter shall proceed as provided in Regulation 1.4.
- 12.6 If the B Sample analysis tests negative for the Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method that was found in relation to the A Sample, the ETTA shall be responsible for the costs of the B Sample analysis. If the B Sample analysis tests positive for the Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method that was found in relation to the A Sample, however, then the ETTA may require the Player to pay the costs of the B Sample analysis.
- 13 Statute of Limitations
- 13.1 Notwithstanding any other provision of these Regulations, no charge may be brought against a Player or other Person for a Doping Offence as defined in Regulation 1.1 more than eight (8) years after the date that the alleged Doping Offence occurred.
- 14 Disciplinary Proceedings
- 14.1 The ETTA shall keep the ITTF, WADA and UK Sport advised of the status of the proceedings before the Disciplinary Committee, in accordance with Regulation 19.1, and each of them is entitled to attend the hearing to observe the proceedings.
- 15 Burdens and Standards of Proof
- 15.1 The ETTA shall have the burden of establishing that the Respondent has committed a Doping Offence. The standard of proof shall be whether the ETTA has established the Respondent's commission of a Doping Offence to the comfortable satisfaction of the Disciplinary Committee, bearing in mind the seriousness of the allegation that is made. This standard of proof in all cases is greater than a mere balance of probability but less than proof beyond a reasonable doubt.
- 15.2 Where these Regulations place the burden of proof upon the Respondent to rebut a presumption or establish specified facts or circumstances, the standard of proof shall be by a balance of probability.
- 15.3 Save in exceptional circumstances, the Disciplinary Committee shall announce its decision in writing, dated and signed by at least the Chairman of the Committee within five (5) working days of the end of the hearing and shall issue its reasoned decision in writing, dated and signed, within fifteen (15) working days of the end of the hearing. Copies of the decision shall be sent to the parties, to UK Sport and (by the ETTA) to any other party that has a right of appeal against the decision in accordance with ETTA Rule 49. The decision shall set out and explain:
- 15.3.1 the Committee's findings, with reasons, as to what Doping Offence(s), if any, has/have been committed;
- 15.3.2 what Consequences, if any, the Committee is imposing as a result of such findings. In any case in which the period of Suspension is eliminated under Regulation 17.4.1 or reduced under Regulation 17.4.2, the reasoned decision shall explain in detail the basis for the elimination or reduction. In a case in which the Committee exercises discretion

- conferred on it (such as under Regulations 16.2.1 or 17.2.1), the reasoned decision shall explain the basis on which the Committee has determined that such discretion was triggered as well as the basis for the manner in which such discretion was exercised; and
- 15.3.3 the rights of appeal applicable under ETTA Rule 49.
- 16 Disqualification of Results
- 16.1 Disqualification of Results in Relation to an In-Competition Test
- 16.1.1 A Doping Offence in connection with an In-Competition test automatically leads to Disqualification of the individual result obtained by the Player in that Competition with all resulting consequences, including forfeiture of any medals, points and prizes.
- 16.2 Disqualification of Results in Event in Relation to Which a Doping Offence Occurs
- 16.2.1 Subject to Regulation 16.1.2, where a Player is found to have committed a Doping Offence during or in connection with a Competition in an Event in which the Player also participated in other Competitions, then in addition to the consequences set out in Regulation 16.1 the organiser of the Event may provide in the Event rules that the commission of the Doping Offence mandates Disqualification of all of the Player's individual results obtained in the other Competitions in that Event with all resulting consequences, including forfeiture of all medals, points and prizes.
- 16.2.2 If the Player establishes to the satisfaction of the Disciplinary Committee that he or she bears No Fault or Negligence for the Doping Offence, the Player's individual results in other Competitions in the same Event as the Competition during or in connection with which the Doping Offence occurred shall not be Disqualified unless the Disciplinary Committee is satisfied that the Player's results in those other Competitions were likely to have been affected by the Player's Doping Offence.
- 16.3 Disqualification of Results in Competitions Subsequent to Sample Collection
- 16.3.1 Unless fairness requires otherwise, in addition to the automatic Disqualification under Regulation 16.1 of the Player's individual result in the Competition which produced the positive Sample, all other competitive results obtained by the Player from the date a positive Sample was collected (whether In-Competition or Out-of-Competition) or other Doping Offence occurred, until the commencement of any Suspension period, shall be disqualified with all of the resulting consequences including forfeiture of any medals, points and prizes.
- 16.4 Effect on Team Results
- 16.4.1 If the Competition during or in connection with which the Player committed the Doping Offence at issue was a team Competition, the consequences (if any) of the Player's commission of a Doping Offence for the results obtained by the team in that Competition and subsequently shall be determined by the rules of the ITTF or (in default thereof) by the applicable Event or Competition rules.
- 16.4.2 Further consequences for teams fielding Players who commit Doping Offences are set out in Regulation 17.10.
- 16.5 Impact on Opponent's Results
- 16.5.1 There will be no adjustment of results, medals, points, prizes or other consequences for the opponent of a Player (or the team of a Player) subsequently found to have committed a Doping Offence unless specific provision is made for such adjustment in the rules of the ITTF or in the rules of the relevant Competition or Event.
- 17 Sanctions for Individuals
- 17.1 Imposition of Suspension for Prohibited Substances and Prohibited Methods
- 17.1.1 Except for the specified substances identified in Regulation 17.2.1, the period of Suspension imposed for a Doping Offence under Regulation 1.1.1 (presence of a Prohibited Substance or its Metabolites or Markers), Regulation 1.1.2 (Use or Attempted Use of a Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method or the) or Regulation 1.1.6 (Possession of Prohibited Substances and Methods) shall be:
- First offence: Two (2) years' Suspension
- Second offence: Lifetime Suspension

- 17.1.2 However, the Respondent shall have the opportunity in each case, before a period of Suspension is imposed, to establish the basis for eliminating or reducing this sanction on the grounds of exceptional circumstances as set out in Regulation 17.4.
- 17.2 Specified Substances
- 17.2.1 The Prohibited List may identify specified substances which are particularly susceptible to unintentional Doping Offences because of their general availability in medicinal products or which are less likely to be successfully abused as doping agents. Where a Player can establish that the Use of such a specified substance was not intended to enhance sport performance, the period of Suspension found in Regulation 17.1.1 shall be replaced with the following:
- First offence: As a minimum, a warning and reprimand and no period of Suspension from future Events, and as a maximum, one (1) year's Suspension
- Second offence: Two (2) years' Suspension
- Third offence: Lifetime Suspension
- 17.2.2 However, the Respondent shall have the opportunity in each case, before a period of Suspension is imposed, to establish the basis for eliminating or reducing (in the case of a second or third offence) this sanction on the grounds of exceptional circumstances, as provided in Regulation 17.4.
- 17.3 Sanctions for Other Doping Offences
- 17.3.1 For violations of Regulation 1.1.3 (refusing or failing to submit to Sample collection) or Regulation 1.1.5 (Tampering with Doping Control), the Suspension periods shall be:
- First offence: Two (2) years' Suspension
- Second offence: Lifetime Suspension
- 17.3.2 For violations of Regulation 1.1.7 (Trafficking) or Regulation 1.1.8 (Administration of a Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method), the period of Suspension shall be a minimum of four (4) years and a maximum of lifetime Suspension.
- 17.3.3 A Doping Offence involving a Minor shall be considered a particularly serious offence, and, if committed by Player Support Personnel in relation to Doping Offences other than those involving specified substances referenced in Regulation 17.2.1, shall result in lifetime Suspension for such Player Support Personnel. In addition, Doping Offences which also infringe non-sporting laws and regulations may be reported to the competent administrative, professional or judicial authorities.
- 17.3.4 For violations of Regulation 1.1.4 (Whereabouts Violations), the period of Suspension shall be:
- First offence: Six (6) months' Suspension
- Second offence: One (1) year's Suspension
- Subsequent offences: Two (2) years' Suspension
- 17.4 Elimination or Reduction of Period of Suspension Based on Exceptional Circumstances
- 17.4.1 No Fault or Negligence
- 17.4.1.1 If the Player establishes in an individual case involving a Doping Offence under Regulation 1.1.1 (Presence of Prohibited Substance or its Metabolites or Markers) or Regulation 1.1.2 (Use of a Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method) that he or she bears No Fault or Negligence for the offence, the otherwise applicable period of Suspension shall be eliminated.
- 17.4.1.2 When the case involves a Doping Offence under Regulation 1.1.1 (Presence of Prohibited Substance or its Markers or Metabolites), the Player must also establish how the Prohibited Substance entered his or her system in order to have the period of Suspension eliminated. If this Regulation is applied and the period of Suspension otherwise applicable is eliminated, the Doping Offence shall not be considered an offence for the limited purpose of determining the period of Suspension for multiple offences under Regulations 17.5.1 (Imposition of Suspension for Prohibited Substances and Prohibited Methods), 17.2.1 (Specified Substances) and 17.5 (regulations for Certain Multiple Offences).

17.4.2 No Significant Fault or Negligence

17.4.2.1 This Article applies only to Doping Offences involving Regulation 1.1.1 (Presence of Prohibited Substance or its Metabolites or Markers), Regulation 1.1.2 (Use of a Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method), Regulation 1.1.3 (Failing to submit to Sample collection) or Regulation 1.1.8 (Administration of a Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method).

17.4.2.2 If a Player establishes in an individual case involving any such offence that he or she bears No Significant Fault or Negligence, then the period of Suspension may be reduced, but the reduced period of Suspension may not be less than one-half of the minimum period of Suspension otherwise applicable. If the otherwise applicable period of Suspension is a lifetime, the reduced period under this Regulation may be no less than 8 years.

17.4.3 Player's Substantial Assistance in Discovering or Establishing Doping Offences by Player Support Personnel and Others

17.4.3.1 The period of Suspension in an individual case may also be reduced by the Disciplinary Committee where the Player has provided substantial assistance to the ETTA, UK Sport or another Anti-Doping Organisation which results in the ETTA, UK Sport or the other Anti-Doping Organisation discovering or establishing an Doping Offence by another Person involving Regulation 1.1.6 (Possession by Player Support Personnel), Regulation 45.14.1.7 (Trafficking) or Regulation 1.1.8 (Administration to a Player).

17.4.3.2 The reduced period of Suspension may not, however, be less than one half of the minimum period of Suspension otherwise applicable. If the otherwise applicable period of Suspension is a lifetime, the reduced period under this Regulation may be no less than eight (8) years.

17.5 Regulations for Certain Potential Multiple Offences

17.5.1 For purposes of imposing sanctions under Regulation 17.1.1. (Imposition of Suspension for Prohibited Substances and Prohibited Methods), Regulation 17.2.1 (Specified Substances) and/or Regulation 17.3.1 (Suspension for Other Doping Offences), a second Doping Offence may be considered by the Disciplinary Committee for the purposes of imposing sanctions only if the ETTA can establish that the Respondent committed the second Doping Offence after the Respondent received notice, or after the ETTA or its designee made a reasonable attempt to give notice, of the first Doping Offence. If the ETTA cannot establish this, the Doping Offences shall be considered as one single first Doping Offence, and the sanction imposed shall be based on the Doping Offence that carries the more severe sanction.

17.5.2 When a Player, based on the same Doping Control, is found to have committed a Doping Offence involving both a specified substance under Regulation 17.2.1 and another Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method, the Player shall be considered to have committed a single Doping Offence, but the sanction imposed shall be based on the Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method that carries the most severe sanction.

17.5.3 Where a Player is found to have committed two separate Doping Offences, one involving a specified substance governed by the sanctions set out in Regulation 17.2.1 and the other involving a Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method governed by the sanctions set out in Regulation 17.1.1 or a Doping Offence governed by the sanctions set out in Regulation 17.1, the period of Suspension imposed for the second offence shall be at least two years' and not more than three years'. Any Player found to have committed a third Doping Offence involving any combination of specified substances under Regulation 17.2.1 and any other Doping Offence under Regulation 17.2.1 or Regulation 17.3.1 shall receive a sanction of lifetime Suspension. In each case, the Suspension periods for the separate offences shall run sequentially, not concurrently.

17.5.4 Where provision is made in these Regulations for an increased sanction for a second or subsequent doping offence, such provision will be triggered by any previous offence, whether or not of the same type as the offence since found by the Disciplinary Committee.

17.6 Commencement of Suspension Period

17.6.1 The period of Suspension shall start on the date of the written decision of the Disciplinary Committee providing for Suspension.

- 17.6.2 Any period of Suspension pending a hearing shall be credited against the total period of Suspension to be served.
- 17.6.3 Where required by fairness, such as delays in the hearing process or other aspects of Doping Control not attributable to the Player, the Disciplinary Committee may provide that the period of Suspension shall start at an earlier date, commencing as early as the date of Sample collection.
- 17.7 Status During Suspension
- 17.7.1 A Person who has been suspended may not, during the period of Suspension, participate in any capacity in a Competition or other activity (other than authorised anti-doping education or rehabilitation programmes) organised, convened or authorised by the ETTA or by any body that is a member of, or affiliated to, or licensed by the ETTA. In addition, save where the Doping Offence involved specific substances as described in Regulation 17.3.1, the ETTA shall withhold some or all financial supports or benefits (if any) that it might have otherwise provided to the Person.
- 17.7.2 Further to Article 10.9 of the Code, a Person subject to a period of Suspension from the sport of table tennis longer than four years may, after completing four years of the period of Suspension, participate in local sport events in another sport, but only so long as the local sport event is not at a level that could otherwise qualify such Person directly or indirectly to compete in (or accumulate points toward) a national championship or International Event.
- 17.8 Reinstatement Testing
- 17.8.1 As a condition of regaining affiliated status at the end of a specified period of Suspension, a Player must, during any period of Suspension, make himself or herself available for Out-of-Competition Testing by the ETTA, UK Sport and any other Anti-Doping Organisation having Testing jurisdiction over him/her and must, if requested, provide current and accurate whereabouts information as provided in Regulation 9.4.1 for purposes of Out-of-Competition Testing.
- 17.8.2 If a Player subject to a period of Suspension retires from the sport of table tennis and later seeks reinstatement, the Player shall not be eligible for reinstatement until he or she has notified UK Sport, the ETTA and other Anti-Doping Organisations with Testing jurisdiction over him or her of his or her desire for reinstatement and has been subject to potential Out-of-Competition Testing for a period of time equal to the period of Suspension remaining as of the date that the Player retired.
- 17.8.3 Testing by any Anti-Doping Organisation with Testing jurisdiction may be used to satisfy the Testing requirements of Regulation 17.8.
- 17.8.4 Once the period of a Player's Suspension has expired and the Player has fulfilled all conditions of reinstatement, then provided he or she has satisfied in full all forfeiture penalties due under Regulation 15, the Player will become automatically re-eligible to compete and no application by the Player for reinstatement will then be necessary (unless the Player is otherwise ineligible for reasons not related to the Doping Offence for which the expired period of Suspension was imposed).
- 17.9 Additional Consequences
- 17.9.1 The imposition of Consequences under these Regulations shall be without prejudice to the right of the ETTA to adopt criteria for a Participant's qualification for team selection or financial support for International Events based on whether the Participant has committed a Doping Offence.
- 17.9.2 The imposition of Consequences under these Regulations shall also be without prejudice to the right of UK Sport and/or any Home Country Sports Council (HCSC) to withdraw, and/or withhold in the future, financial and/or other support, whether provided directly or indirectly, from the Person who has committed a Doping Offence. In particular:
- 17.9.2.1 where it is determined, in accordance with Regulations 10.3 or 11.4, that a Person has a case to answer under Regulation 1.1 and that Person is a recipient (directly or indirectly) of funding support or services from UK Sport or any HCSC, UK Sport/the HCSC shall be entitled to suspend any direct funding or other support to the Person pending final determination of the case. The ETTA shall co-operate with UK Sport/the HCSC with

respect thereto, and in addition shall, on demand by UK Sport/HCSC, suspend access for that Person to any Sports Council funding or support services pending final determination of the case; provided that if it is finally determined that no offence has been committed, or that an offence has been committed that does not warrant the imposition of any period of Suspension, then any suspended payments shall be remitted to the Person as soon as possible and the ETТА shall reinstate access for that person to Sports Council funding or support services;

17.9.2.2 if it is finally determined that an offence has been committed that warrants imposition of a period of Suspension, then the suspended payments referenced in the foregoing paragraph shall be retained by UK Sport/the HCSC, and access for the Person to Sports Council funding or support services shall not be reinstated by the ETТА unless and until authorised by UK Sport/the HCSC.

17.10 Consequences To Teams

17.10.1 Where more than one member of a team has been notified of a possible Doping Offence in connection with an Event, the team shall be subject to Target Testing for the Event.

17.10.2 If more than one member of a team is found to have committed a Doping Offence during the Event, then the rules of the ITTF or (in default thereof) of the organiser of the Event may provide that the team shall be subject to Disqualification or other disciplinary action. In addition, misconduct charges may be brought against the team or its management under the Disciplinary Code of the ETТА or other applicable rules.

18 Appeals

18.1 Decisions Subject to Appeal

Subject only to Regulation 21.2, decisions made under these Regulations may be challenged only by appeal exclusively as set out in this Regulation 18. Such decisions shall remain in effect while under appeal unless the appellate body orders otherwise.

18.2 Appeals from Decisions Relating to a TUE

18.2.1 TUE decisions by UK Sport or the UK Sport TUE Committee may be appealed to the UK TUE Appeal Panel in accordance with Regulation 8.6.2. Alternatively, an International-Level Player may appeal such decisions to CAS in accordance with Regulation 18.5.

18.2.2 If the UK TUE Appeal Panel reverses a decision to deny a TUE, or to impose conditions or restrictions on that grant, the ETТА, UK Sport and/or WADA may appeal that reversal to CAS in accordance with Regulation 18.5.

18.2.3 In accordance with Article 13.3 of the Code, a decision by WADA reversing the grant or denial of a TUE in accordance with these Regulations may be appealed exclusively to CAS by the Player, UK Sport or the ETТА, in accordance with Regulation 18.5, or by the ITTF, in accordance with its rules.

18.4 Appeals from Decisions Regarding Doping Offences and Consequences

18.4.1 A decision that a Doping Offence was committed, a decision imposing Consequences for a Doping Offence, a decision that no Doping Offence was committed and/or a decision that an Anti-Doping Organisation lacks jurisdiction to rule on an alleged Doping Offence or its Consequences, may be appealed by any of the following parties exclusively as provided in this Regulation:

18.4.1.1 the Player or other Person who is the subject of the decision being appealed;

18.4.1.2 the ETТА;

18.4.1.3 UK Sport;

18.4.1.4 the ITTF;

18.4.1.5 any other Anti-Doping Organisation under whose rules a sanction could have been imposed for the Doping Offence charged;

18.4.1.6 the International Olympic Committee or International Paralympic Committee, as applicable, where the decision may have an effect in relation to the Olympic Games or Paralympic Games, including decisions affecting eligibility for the Olympic Games or Paralympic Games; and

18.4.1.7 WADA.

18.4.2 An appeal under Regulation 18.1 shall be made as follows:

- 18.4.2.1 in a case arising from competition in an International Event or involving an International-Level Player, the appeal shall be made to CAS;
- 18.4.2.2 in all other cases, the appeal shall be made to the ETTA Board of Appeal, subject to a further appeal to CAS.
- 18.5 Appeals to CAS
- 18.5.1 Where these Regulations create a right of appeal to CAS, such appeal shall be conducted in accordance with CAS's Code of Sports-Related Arbitration, provided that:
- 18.5.1.1 in the case of an appeal by a Player from the decision of an Appeal Panel, CAS shall only review the materials before the Appeal Panel and its decision, and shall only overturn the decision if it finds that the Appeal Panel has misdirected itself, or otherwise reached an erroneous conclusion;
- 18.5.1.2 in all other cases, CAS shall have power to consider the matter *de novo*, i.e. it shall hear the matter over again, from the beginning, without being bound in any way by the decision being appealed;
- 18.5.1.3 the governing law shall be English law, and the proceedings shall be conducted in English;
- 18.5.1.4 the decision of CAS shall be final and binding on all parties.
- 19 Reporting
- 19.1 Reporting of Pending Cases
- 19.1.1 The notice given to UK Sport, the ITTF WADA of pending cases under Regulations 11.5 and 14.1 shall be provided to them on the confidential basis set out in Article 14.1 of the Code.
- 19.1.2 The ETTA shall not publicly disclose the identity of any Respondent unless and until it has been determined in accordance with Regulation 15 or Regulation 18 that the Respondent has committed a Doping Offence.
- 19.2 Reporting of Testing
- 19.2.1 To ensure efficient use of anti-doping resources, completed tests conducted under these Regulations shall be reported through the WADA clearing house as soon as possible after such tests have been conducted.
- 19.3 Reporting under the Code
- 19.3.1 The number of Adverse Analytical Findings and Doping Offences arising under these Regulations shall be publicly reported as a minimum on a quarterly basis.
- 20 Recognition of Decisions
- 20.1 Subject to any applicable right of appeal, the Testing, TUEs and hearing results or other final adjudications of any Signatory that are consistent with the Code and are within that Signatory's authority shall be recognised and respected by the ETTA, its member and affiliate organisations, its licensees and all those subject to these Regulations.
- 20.2 The same actions of non-Signatories shall also be recognised and respected if such actions are consistent with the Code.
- 21 Challenges to a Decision or these Regulations
- 21.1 Subject to Article 24.3 of the Code, these Regulations and all issues arising thereunder shall be governed by the laws of England and Wales.
- 21.2 These Regulations shall constitute an agreement to arbitrate, and proceedings before the ETTA Disciplinary Committee as provided in ETTA Rules 47 and 48, before an Appeal Panel as provided in ETTA Rule 49 or before CAS as provided in Regulation 17.5, shall constitute arbitration proceedings, for the purpose of triggering the application of the Arbitration Act 1996.
- 21.3 To the greatest extent allowable under applicable law, any challenge to these Regulations or to a decision made in accordance with these Regulations shall be made exclusively in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 18 and shall not be made by recourse to any court or other forum.

- 21.4 Subject strictly to Regulation 21.3, the courts of England & Wales shall have exclusive jurisdiction in relation to these Regulations and any decision made hereunder.
- 21.5 If any clause or provision of these Regulations is held invalid, unenforceable or illegal for any reason, these Regulations shall remain otherwise in full force apart from such clause or provision which shall be deemed deleted insofar as it is invalid, unenforceable or illegal.

ANNEX TO APPENDIX P - DEFINITIONS

Adverse Analytical Finding: A report from a laboratory or other approved Testing entity that identifies in a Specimen the presence of a Prohibited Substance or its Metabolites or Markers (including elevated quantities of endogenous substances) or evidence of the Use of a Prohibited Method.

Anti-Doping Organisation: A Signatory that is responsible for adopting rules for initiating, implementing or enforcing any part of the Doping Control process. This includes, for example, the International Olympic Committee, the International Paralympic Committee, other Major Event Organisations that conduct Testing at their Events, WADA, the ITTF and National Anti-Doping Organisations such as UK Sport.

Disciplinary Committee: A committee appointed by the ETTA to hear and decide cases of alleged disciplinary offences, including Doping Offences.

Appeal Panel: A panel of three persons selected from the Board of Appeal to hear and determine an appeal arising under these Regulations.

Attempt: Purposely engaging in conduct that constitutes a substantial step in a course of conduct planned to culminate in the commission of a Doping Offence. Provided, however, there shall be no Doping Offence based solely on an Attempt if the Person renounces the Attempt prior to it being discovered by a third party not involved in the Attempt.

CAS: The Court of Arbitration for Sport in Lausanne, Switzerland.

Code: The WADA Anti-Doping Code.

Competition: A single race, match, game or other athletic contest.

Consequences: A Doping Offence may result in one or more of the following:

- a Disqualification means the Player's results in a particular Competition or Event are invalidated, with all resulting consequences including forfeiture of any medals, points and prizes;
- b Suspension means the Player or other Person is barred for a specified period of time from participating in any Competition or other activity or funding, as provided in Regulation 17.7.1.

Disqualification: See Consequences of Doping Offences, above.

Domestic Pool: See Regulation 9.4.1.

Doping Control: The process including test distribution planning, Sample collection and handling, laboratory analysis, results management, hearings and appeals.

Doping Offence: The commission of one of the prohibited acts or omissions set out in Regulation 1.1.

ETTA: The English Table Tennis Association Limited.

Event: A series of individual Competitions conducted together under one ruling body (e.g., the Olympic Games).

In-Competition: For purposes of differentiating between In-Competition and Out-of-Competition Testing, unless provided otherwise in the rules of the ITTF or another relevant Anti-Doping Organisation, an In-Competition test is a test where a Player is selected for Testing in connection with a specific Competition.

Independent Observer Programme: A team of observers, under the supervision of WADA, who observe the Doping Control process at certain Events and report on observations. If WADA is testing In-Competition at an Event, the observers shall be supervised by an independent organisation.

International Registered Testing Pool: See Regulation 9.4.2.

International Event: An Event where the International Olympic Committee, the International Paralympic Committee, an International Federation, Major Event Organisation, or another international sport organisation is the ruling body for the Event or appoints the technical officials for the Event.

International-Level Players: Players designated by the ITTF as being within its Registered Testing Pool.

International Standard: A standard adopted by WADA in support of the Code. Compliance with an International Standard (as opposed to another alternative standard, practice or procedure) shall be sufficient to conclude that the procedures addressed by the International Standard were performed properly.

Major Event Organisation: The continental associations of National Olympic Committees and other international multi-Sport Organisations that function as the ruling body for any continental, regional or other International Event.

Marker: A compound, group of compounds or biological parameters that indicates the Use of a Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method.

Metabolite: Any substance produced by a bio-transformation process.

Minor: A natural Person who has not reached the age of majority as established by the applicable laws of his or her country of residence.

National Event: An Event held in the UK that does not qualify as an International Event.

National Olympic Committee: The organisation recognised by the International Olympic Committee. The term National Olympic Committee shall also include the National Sport Confederation in those countries where the National Sport Confederation assumes typical National Olympic Committee responsibilities in the anti-doping area.

National Registered Testing Pool: See Regulation 9.4.1.

No Advance Notice: A Doping Control which takes place with no advance warning to the Player and where the Player is continuously chaperoned from the moment of notification through Sample provision.

No Fault or Negligence: The Player's establishing that he or she did not know or suspect, and could not reasonably have known or suspected, even with the exercise of utmost caution, that he or she had Used or been administered the Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method.

No Significant Fault or Negligence: The Player's establishing that his or her fault or negligence, when viewed in the totality of the circumstances and taking into account the criteria for No Fault or Negligence, was not significant in relation to the Doping Offence.

Out-of-Competition: Any Doping Control which is not In-Competition.

Participant: Any Player or Player Support Personnel.

Person: A natural Person or an organisation or other entity.

Player: For the purposes of Doping Control, any Person who competes at any level in the sport of table tennis. For purposes of anti-doping information and education, any Person who participates in the sport of table tennis under the authority of any Signatory, government, or other sports organisation accepting the Code.

Player Support Personnel: Any personnel working with or treating Players participating in or preparing for sports competition, including but not limited to a coach, trainer, manager, agent, team staff, official, nutritionist, medical or para-medical personnel.

Possession: The actual, physical Possession, or the constructive Possession (which shall be found only if the Person has exclusive control over the Prohibited Substance/Method or the premises in which a Prohibited Substance/Method exists or if the Person knew about the presence of the Prohibited Substance/Method and intended to exercise control over it). Provided, however there shall be no Doping Offence based solely on Possession if, prior to receiving notification of any kind that he/she has committed an Doping Offence, the Person has taken concrete action demonstrating that he/she no longer intends to have Possession and has renounced his/her previous Possession.

Prohibited List: The Prohibited List issued by WADA, identifying the Prohibited Substances and Prohibited Methods, as amended from time to time.

Prohibited Method: Any method so described on the Prohibited List.

Prohibited Substance: Any substance so described on the Prohibited List.

Respondent: A Person who has been charged with the commission of a Doping Offence under these Regulations.

Sample/Specimen: Any biological material collected for the purposes of Doping Control.

Signatories: Those entities signing the Code and agreeing to comply with the Code, including the International Olympic Committee, International Federations, International Paralympic Committee, National Olympic Committees, National Paralympic Committees, Major Event Organisations, National Anti-Doping Organisations and WADA.

Suspension: See Consequences of Doping Offences, above.

Tampering: Altering for an improper purpose or in an improper way; bringing improper influence to bear; interfering improperly to alter results or prevent normal procedures from occurring.

Target Testing: Selection of Players for Testing where specific Players or groups of Players are selected on a non-random basis for Testing at a specified time.

Testing: The parts of the Doping Control process involving test distribution planning, Sample Collection, Sample handling, and Sample transport to the laboratory.

Therapeutic: Of or relating to the treatment of a medical condition by remedial agents or methods, or providing or assisting in a cure.

Trafficking: To sell, give, administer, transport, send, deliver or distribute a Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method to a Player either directly or through one or more third parties, but excluding the sale or distribution (by medical personnel or by Persons other than a Player's Support Personnel) of a Prohibited Substance for genuine and legal Therapeutic purposes.

TUE: Therapeutic Use Exemption.

UK Sport Anti-Doping Procedures Guide for Sport: The document of that name issued by UK Sport, as amended by UK Sport from time to time.

UK Sport TUE Committee: The committee established by UK Sport in accordance with the UK Sport Anti-Doping Procedures Guide for Sport to review standard TUE applications.

UK Sport TUE Appeal Panel: The panel established by UK Sport in accordance with the UK Sport Anti-Doping Procedures Guide for Sport to hear an appeal regarding a denial or conditional grant of a TUE.

Use: The application, ingestion, injection or consumption by any means whatsoever of any Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method.

WADA: The World Anti-Doping Agency.

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APPENDIX 'Q' to RULES: REGISTER OF BUSINESS INTEREST REGULATIONS

(third edition)

(Made by National Council on 31st July 2004 in exercise of the power conferred by ETTA Rule (2003/4) 28.14.1)

1. There shall be a register of Business Interests in which shall be recorded all business interests of specified Members and other persons which may in any way affect their activities in the ETTA.
2. Persons required to disclose their interests for inclusion in the Register are –
Officers
other members of National Council
Members of Committees (for the purposes of this regulation “Committees” include panels, working parties and similar bodies unless excluded by resolution of National Council but does not include the Board of Appeal)
Such officials as the National Council shall designate
Such other Members as National Council shall from time to time decide
Such non-Members engaged on the ETTA’s business as National Council shall from time to time decide
3. Any person liable to disclose his interests for inclusion in the Register shall have an entry in the Register; if there are no interests to disclose he shall certify accordingly and the entry shall show “None”
4. The entry relating to any person who has ceased to come within Regulation 2 shall be expunged when two years have elapsed since such cessation, and any associated documentation shall be returned to him or, if requested by him, destroyed
5. The Register shall consist of one completed ETTA Form RBI.1 for each person coming within Regulation 2 signed by the person to whom it relates
6. ETTA Form RBI.1 shall contain provision for recording the information prescribed in the Schedule to this regulation
7. The Register shall be kept at the ETTA office and shall be the responsibility of the General Secretary
8. A copy of the Register shall be in the custody of the Rules Committee
9. Every page of the Register and the copy Register shall be authenticated by the General Secretary and on behalf of the Rules Committee
10. It shall be the responsibility of the General Secretary to notify the Rules Committee Chairman of any change made in the Register (whether new entry, alteration or deletion) within 5 days after the change has been made
11. The information in the Register shall not be stored on computer

12. The Register shall be made available for inspection at every meeting of the National Council by any person to whom Regulation 13 applies
13. The Register shall be open to inspection by any person in respect of whom there is an entry in it but by no other person
14. Any person to whom Regulation 13 applies may obtain a photocopy of his or her entry from the General Secretary on payment of the prescribed fee

SCHEDULE to Regulation 6

Contents of ETTA Form RBI.1

- (1) forenames and surnames in full
- (2) address
- (3) status or position in ETTA
- (4) occupation
- (5) business interests
- (6) business interests of any close relation (e.g.: spouse. Domestic partner, child, parent, sibling)
- (7) date on which form signed by person registering

The form shall contain a copy of Regulation 13.

Responsible Committee: Rules

This Document cancels and replaces Document 3235/7/AW(24.08.94) the only change being an alteration to Schedule to Regulation 6, number 6.

NOTE: The procedure set out in this draft Appendix was given approval in principle by the National Council at its meeting on 18 October 2008. It takes effect from that date and will remain in force pending formal approval by the National Council at its January 2009 meeting.

APPENDIX R TO RULES: RACKET TESTING PROCEDURE (Draft)

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- 1 It is the responsibility of the player to ensure that his racket does not contain any harmful volatile compounds. (ITTF Regulations for International Competitions 3.2.4.1)
- 2 At any event under ETTA jurisdiction tests for prohibited solvents may be carried out in accordance with the following procedures.
 - 2.1 The Referee is responsible for racket testing but may delegate authority to perform the test to a designated official.
 - 2.2 The Referee and Deputy Referee will select matches where both players or pairs will have their rackets tested. It is recommended that, in each event (eg MS, WD) of an Open Tournament, 4 matches be selected for testing in the group stage and 2 matches in each knock-out round.
 - 2.3 Players whose rackets have been selected for testing will be informed by the Referee that their rackets must be taken to the racket control area.
 - 2.4.1 If a racket fails the test the player may replace it with another racket which must also be tested.
 - 2.4.2 If a second racket fails the test the Referee must be informed immediately.
 - 2.5 A racket which passes the test will be taken to the Referee by the tester. It will then be passed to the match umpire, who will retain it until the players come to the playing area ready to start the match.
 - 2.6 If a player has changed a damaged racket during a match, the umpire must collect the racket immediately the match finishes and take it to the racket control area, where it will be tested.
- 3 At the conclusion of the Tournament the Referee will complete the Testing Summary (OT98) and return this, together with the individual Testing Records, to the ETTA General Secretary.
- 4 Details of rackets that fail the test and that belong to members of another National Association will be reported to that National Association by the ETTA General Secretary.