



The 3rd Asian
Youth Games
Bahrain 2025

Table Tennis

Technical Handbook

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Technical Information

1. Date

The Table Tennis competition of the 3rd Asian Youth Games will be held from October 26-30, 2025.

2. Venue

The Table Tennis competition will be held in Exhibition World Bahrain. There will be eight (8) competition tables in the FOP, with playing areas of 7 m by 14 m and 8 m by 16 m to be set up on the final day. The venue is 25-30 mins from the Official Hotel.

3. Events

Table Tennis competition of the 3rd Asian Youth Games consists of three (3) Individual events:

1. Boys' Singles
2. Girls' Singles
3. Mixed Doubles

4. Competition Schedule

Date	Session	Start Time	End Time	Events	Stage
Sunday 26 Oct 2025	TTE1	10:00	14:05	Boys Singles Girls Singles	Preliminary Stage Round 1
	TTE2	15:05	16:15	Mixed Doubles	Round of 64
	TTE3	16:45	18:30	Girls Singles	Preliminary Stage Round 2
Monday 27 Oct 2025	TTE4	10:00	12:20	Boys Singles	Preliminary Stage Round 2
	TTE5	13:20	14:30	Mixed Doubles	Round of 32
	TTE6	15:00	19:00	Boys Singles Girls Singles	Preliminary Stage Round 3
Tuesday 28 Oct 2025	TTE7	10:00	11:45	Boys Singles Girls Singles	Round of 64
	TTE8	12:45	13:20	Mixed Doubles	Round of 16
	TTE9	13:50	16:10	Boys Singles Girls Singles	Round of 32
Wednesday 29 Oct 2025	TTE10	11:00	11:35	Mixed Doubles	Quarterfinal
	TTE11	12:05	14:25	Boys Singles Girls Singles	Round of 16
	TTE12	15:25	17:45	Boys Singles Girls Singles	Quarterfinal
	TTE13	18:15	18:50	Mixed Doubles	Semi-final





Date	Session	Start Time	End Time	Events	Stage
Thursday 30 Oct 2025	TTE14	11:00	14:20	Boys Singles Girls Singles	Semi-final
	TTE15	15:20	16:00	Mixed Doubles	Final
	TTE16	16:30	18:10	Boys Singles Girls Singles	Final
	Victory Ceremony				

Note: The actual time of each session is subject to change.

5. Sport Entries

5.1 Eligibility

- Only NOCs that are members of the OCA are eligible to send athletes to compete in the Table Tennis competition of the 3rd Asian Youth Games.
- Only athletes who comply with the OCA Constitution and Rules and its Bye-law are entitled to compete in the Table Tennis competition.

5.2 Entry Timeline

- Entry by Sport: Deadline: 23:59 hr. March 25, 2025 (Manama Time, GMT +3)
- Entry by Number: from 10:00 30 June 2025 to 23:59 21 July 2025 (Bahrain Time, UTC +3)
- Entry by Name: from 10:00 1 August 2025 to 23:59 to 31 August 2025 (Bahrain Time, UTC +3)

5.3 Entry Policies

- Singles events: each NOC may enter a maximum of three (3) male and three (3) female athletes.
- Mixed Doubles events: each NOC may enter a maximum of two (2) pairs (four (4) athletes) and the pairs should consist of players who are participating in Singles events.
- Total: each NOC may enter a maximum of three (3) male and three (3) female athletes.
- Any NOC that withdraws its athletes after the submission of the final entries by name will be faced with disciplinary action by the OCA Executive Board.

5.4 Age Limitation

- Athletes participating in the Table Tennis competition must be between 14 and 16 years of age.
- Athletes must be born between 2009 and 2011 (inclusive).

6. Arrival and Departure

Teams arrival is fixed two (2) days before the competition and depart one (1) day after it ends.

7. Technical Meeting

Date: October 24, 2025 (Friday)





Time: 15:00 hr.

Location: TBC.

The agenda is as follows:

- Welcome and Roll call
- Confirmation of Athletes
- Competition procedures
- Draw
- Victory Ceremony
- Appeals
- Miscellaneous

The Technical Meeting will be convened by the Technical Delegate and conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the ITTF and the ATTU. Each participating NOC may send up to two (2) representatives (team leader and/or coach) to the Technical Meeting.

8. Competition Rules

Table Tennis competition of the 3rd Asian Youth Games will be conducted in accordance with the latest rules and regulations of the International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF) and Asian Table Tennis Union (ATTU).

Detailed information is available on the website of the ITTF at www.ittf.com and www.asia.ittf.com.

In case of any disagreement in the interpretation of the ITTF/ATTU rules and regulations, the English version shall prevail. Any unforeseen circumstances not covered by the regulations and rules shall be resolved in accordance with the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) Constitution and Rules.

9. Competition Format

8.1 Singles Events

Boys' and Girls' Singles events will be held in the following format:

- The first stage will be played in a group round robin system. Participating players will be divided into groups based on the number of players. The top two (2) players of each group will advance to the second stage.
- The second stage will be played in a direct knockout system.
- All matches before the Quarterfinals will be played best of five (5) games, while Semifinals and Finals will be played best of seven (7) games.
- No competition will be played for bronze medals. Losing Semifinalists will be awarded bronze medals directly (arranged in the alphabetical order as per Annexure III of the OCA Constitution and Rules).

8.2 Mixed Doubles Events

- Mixed Doubles event will be played on a single knockout system. All matches will be played best of five (5) games.
- No competition will be played for bronze medals and losing Semi-Finalists will be awarded bronze medals directly (arranged in the alphabetical order as per Annexure III of the OCA Constitution and Rules).

10. Training Arrangement

- Training Hall with twelve (12) tables will be allocated to participants. The hall will open doors from 9:00 hr. on October 24, 2025.





11. Technical Officials

10.1 Technical Officials

International Technical Officials (ITOs), who are qualified by the ITTF shall be appointed and recommended by ATTU. National Technical Officials shall be appointed by the Bahrain Table Tennis Association (BTTA). AF/IF shall appoint the Technical Delegate and International Technical Officials (ITOs) in coordination and approval of the OCA. In the event of any violation of the AF/IF Rules or Games Rules and Regulations by any participant, the OCA has the right to revoke his or her accreditation card and propose replacement of the participant concerned to the relevant party.

10.2 Jury of Appeal

Jury of Appeal comprises five (5) members, all of whom shall be appointed by the ATTU with approval of the ITTF.

12. Protest and Appeals

Protests and appeals shall be made as per the latest ITTF competition rules. All appeals of a technical nature will be the responsibilities of ATTU.

In the event of objection, an appeal must be lodged in writing within 20 minutes after the completion of the match. Only captain in the Team events or the player himself/herself in the Individual events are qualified to lodge an appeal.

Any athlete/NOC may appeal to the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS), in the event that the athlete/NOC believes that there has been a violation of ITTF or ATTU technical rules or the OCA Constitution, as long as the appeal is not related to reversing the decision of the referee or the result.

13. General Rules and Regulations

12.1 Rules

12.1.1 Eligibility Code (OCA 52)

To be eligible for participation in the OCA Games, a competitor must:

- a) Observe and abide by the Rules of the IOC/OCA as per the Olympic Charter.
- b) Respect the spirit of fair play and non-violence and abide by the rules on the sports field.
- c) Comply with all aspects of WADA and OCA Anti-Doping Rules Code and refrain from using substances and drugs prohibited by the said organizations.

The Member must ensure that any competitor in the OCA Games must be a national of the country of the NOC which is entering him.

Disputes relating to the determination of the country which a competitor may represent in the OCA Games shall be resolved by the EB, unless the eligibility code already set out in the Constitution has been fulfilled and is not in dispute.

12.1.2 Nationality of Competitor (OCA By-Law 52)

- a) All cases of infringement of IOC Rule 41, 42 and its Byelaws and of the eligibility code of IFs shall be communicated by the concerned Member to the OCA, to be considered by the EB whose decision will be final.
- b) A competitor who is a national of two (2) or more countries at the same time may represent either one (1) of them, as he may elect. However, after having represented one country in the Olympic, Asian continental regional or world championships recognized by the relevant IF, the competitor may not represent another country unless he or she meets the conditions set forth in





sub section 4 below that apply to the persons who has changed his nationality or acquired a new nationality.

- c) A competitor who has represented one country in the Olympic Games, OCA Games, continental, regional, and world championships recognized by the relevant IF, and who has changed his nationality or acquired a new nationality, shall not participate in the OCA Games to represent his new country until three years after such change or acquisition.
- d) If a State, Country or a colony acquires independence, a country becomes incorporated within another country by a change of border or transfer of sovereignty or if a new NOC is recognized by the OCA, a competitor may continue to represent the country to which he belongs or belonged. However, he may, if preferred, choose to represent his country or be entered in the OCA Games by his new NOC if one exists. This option can only be made once and is irreversible.
- e) In all cases not expressly addressed in these Byelaws, in particular those cases where a competitor would be in a position to represent a country other than that of which he is a national, or to have choice as to the country which he intends to represent, the EB makes all decisions. Decisions can be of a general The OCA Games 80 SEP 2017 or individual nature and issue specific requirements relating to nationality, citizenship, domicile or residence of the competitors, including the duration of any waiting period.
- f) Except as permitted by the EB, no competitor, coach or official who participates in the OCA Games may allow his person, name and picture or sports performances to be used for advertising purposes during the OCA Games.

12.1.3 Number of Entries (OCA 58)

- a) For a sport to be included in the OCA Games Programme a minimum of six (6) NOCs should enter their athletes by number and a minimum of four (4) should be physically present before the start of the competition.

12.1.4 Technical Official and Jury of Appeal (OCA 59)

The BAYGOC must not receive or otherwise give official recognition to any foreign political delegation or leaders of any other mission whatsoever, without the prior written approval of the OCA. However, nobody can be discriminated against if he or she is a duly appointed official of the NOC's sports delegation.

12.1.5 Court of Appeal (OCA 79)

- a) The OCA EB on behalf of the OCA is the final Court of Appeal, which will decide all disputes of a non-technical nature concerning the OCA Games. Teams/Member NOC's, if necessary, may submit disputes to the Court of Appeal. In addition, the Court of Appeal may intervene in all disputes of a nontechnical nature outside the jurisdiction of the Juries of Appeal set up for each sport in the Programme;
- b) The Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) in association with the OCA will set up a small Ad Hoc working group from CAS that will be present and working alongside the OCA in the Asian Games period only, on the same lines as done during the Olympic Games. The participating athletes can address any issues that they may have directly with CAS, during the OCA Games.

12.1.6 Claims of Protest (OCA 80)

- a) Claims made to the Judges on grounds concerning matters of fact are decided by them without appeal;



- b) Appeals against other decisions of the Judges or with regard to any other matters must be addressed to the President of the Technical Jury of Appeal for the sport concerned by a representative of the team making the appeal;
- c) Exceptional circumstances apart, a claim must be made within two hours of the decision giving rise to it. The Jury, after an investigation, shall give a decision and this decision shall be irrevocable, except in the case of disqualification of a team or of a competitor for infraction of the Rules and Regulations of the OCA. In this case it shall be decided by the Court of Appeal;
- d) All claims and appeals must be made in writing.

12.1.7 Penalties in Case of Fraud (OCA 81)

A competitor proved to have transgressed by fraud the Rules of the OCA shall be disqualified and lose any position he or she may have gained. If this competitor's team is proved to have been party to the fraud, his/her team shall be disqualified in the sport involved.

14. Equipment and Clothing

- Racket testing will be conducted by ITTF-certified officials appointed by ATTU.
- Equipment used and clothing worn by athletes and other relevant participants in competition must comply with the latest rules and regulations of the OCA and the ITTF.
- Neither athletes nor technical officials will be permitted to attach any form of commercial advertising to his or her competition uniform without prior approval from the OCA and the Bahrain Asian Youth Games Organizing Committee (BAYGOC).

15. Doping Control

To ensure healthy and fair competitions and protect the interests of the athletes, the Anti-doping program of the 3rd Asian Youth Games will be conducted in strict accordance with the World Anti-doping Code and the OCA Anti-doping Rules.

16. Victory Ceremony

Gold, silver and bronze medals will be awarded first place, second place and joint third place of each event.

Fifteen minutes before the start of the Victory Ceremony, the medalists shall be escorted by staff to the Waiting area to be ready for the ceremony. Medalists must wear their NOC official uniforms.

17. Approval of the Technical Handbook

The Technical Handbook has been approved by the Asian Table Tennis Union on 11th June 2025.





18. Key Contact Information

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19. Appendices

19.1 Field of Play

