



# TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION OF BARODA (TTAB)

(City & District Vadodara)

## Rules & Regulations for Major Ranking Tournaments & District Championships: 2023-24

The following are the **Rules & Regulations** for the conduct of **Open Baroda Major Ranking Tournaments & District Championships** during the year **2023-24**.

1. The tournaments will be allotted to the different Clubs and affiliated units of TTAB.
2. The venue, dates and option to conduct these tournaments shall be announced by the TTAB through prospectus and press announcements.
3. The major ranking tournaments are “**Prestigious**” events of the District. All the players, clubs and affiliated units of TTAB are required to treat them as such.
4. Affiliated units who have been given the option to conduct these tournaments are required to pay Rs.2000/- as affiliation fees and Rs.2000/- as tournament fees to the District Association at the time when the option is given to them in the Annual General Meeting or Managing Committee Meetings. This amount shall not be refunded if the tournament is not conducted without valid reasons.
5. As per TTAB guideline, Trophy, Merit Certificate and Cash Prize for winners will be presented by clubs and affiliated units of TTAB.
6. The Major Ranking Tournaments and District Championship shall compulsorily include the following events:
  - i) Men’s Singles
  - ii) Women’s Singles
  - iii) Youth Junior Boys Singles
  - iv) Youth Junior Girls Singles
  - v) Junior Boys Singles
  - vi) Junior Girls Singles
  - vii) Sub Junior Boys Singles
  - viii) Sub Junior Girls Singles
  - ix) Cadet Boys Singles
  - x) Cadet Girls Singles
  - xi) Hopes Boys Singles
  - xii) Hopes Girls Singles

**Further, following Veterans’ events can be organized as optional in addition to above events:**

- i) Veterans’ Men’s Singles 39+
- ii) Veterans’ Women’s Singles 39+
- iii) Veterans’ Men’s Singles 49+
- iv) Veterans’ Men’s Singles 59+
- v) Veteran Jumbled Doubles

### 7. **Age Criteria / Eligibility for participants of Junior (Under-19), Junior (Under-17), Sub Junior (Under-15), Cadet (Under-13) & Hopes (Under-11) events:**

- (i) Junior (**Under-19**) Boys and Girls events shall be open only to those players, who are born on or after **1<sup>st</sup> January, 2005**.



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- (ii) Junior (**Under-17**) Boys and Girls events shall be open only to those players, who are born on or after **1<sup>st</sup> January, 2007**.
  - (iii) Sub Junior (**Under-15**) Boys and Sub Junior Girls events shall be open only to those players, who are born on or after **1<sup>st</sup> January, 2009**.
  - (iv) Cadet (**Under-13**) Boys and Cadet Girls events shall be open only to those players, who are born on or after **1<sup>st</sup> January, 2011**.
  - (v) Hopes (**Under-13**) Boys and Hopes Girls events shall be open only to those players, who are born on or after **1<sup>st</sup> January, 2013**.
  - (vi) The minimum entries to conduct any event shall be (8) eight.
  - (vii) Any additional event may be included at the discretion of the Organizing Committee.
8. Only registered player/s of current year / season i.e. 2023-24 can participate.
9. **Tournament Fees:**
- (i) The annual registration fee shall be Rs.200/- per player.
  - (ii) Tournament entry fees for singles events shall be Rs.400/- per player per event for category like Senior, Junior (Under-19) & Junior (Under-17).
  - (iii) Tournament entry fees for singles events shall be Rs.300/- per player per event for category like Sub Junior (Under-15), Cadet (Under-13) & Hopes (Under-11).
  - (iv) Entry fees for doubles events shall be Rs.500/- per pair per event.
10. It is compulsory to participate in, at least, two Major Ranking tournaments & one District Championship for each registered player/s of Vadodara District who wants to be selected as a district team player and interested to represent in the State & Inter District Championships. Selection will be based on current year ranking.
11. The player/s will be included in the Vadodara District's team of Men's, Women's, Junior Boys & Junior Girls, who will observe the **clause No.10** mentioned above and get highest points in their respective categories as per following point system mentioned in the **clause No.14** during various tournaments which will be organized in current year **2023-24**.
12. However, Executive Committee reserves the right to select a player as a district team player who has not observed the **clause No.10** mentioned above due to specific reasons and informed the association well in advance in written for not attending the tournament.
13. As per GSTTA guideline, it is compulsory for each registered player / technical official of TTAB to forward his / her entry / nomination through District Association (TTAB) only for participating in the State or National / Zonal tournaments / championships. TTAB will forward entries / nominations only of those players who are registered player/s of District association (TTAB).



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## 14. Point System / Criteria for each tournament / championship:

Sr. No.	Position	Major Ranking	District Championships
1	Champion	24	40
2	Runner Up	18	30
3	Semifinalist	12	20
4	Quarterfinalist	6	10

**Please Note: No position match will be played in any tournament / championship.**

15. GSTTA ranking and seeding rules will be observed.
16. The Seeding shall be made according to the rules laid down by the GSTTA. The Referee or the Tournament Committee shall follow the ranking / seeding which will be issued by the TTAB before each tournament. If, in case, any of the "Seed" is not participating, the next "Seed" in line will be elevated.
17. While considering the seeding, ranking of district will be considered first and then if required, State or National ranking will be observed. In case the State ranked player may have less ranking in the district then he/she may be considered as per district ranking instead of the State ranking.
18. The method of play will be adopted as per GSTTA norms. All tournaments / championships / events will be played throughout on "**Knock-Out**" basis.
19. **Matches of all events / categories will be played as follow on Knock-Out basis w.e.f.12/05/2023 as adopted by GSTTA:**
- Matches of Junior Boys & Girls U-17, Sub-Junior Boys & Girls U-15, Cadet Boys & Girls U-13, Hopes Boys & Girls U-11 will be of Best-of-Five games throughout.
  - Matches of Junior Boys & Girls U-19 will be of Best-of-Five upto and including semi-finals. Only the finals will be best-of-seven games.
  - Matches of seniors (Men and Women) will be of Best-of-Five upto and including quarter-finals. Only the semi-finals and the finals will be best-of-seven games.
  - All matches of Veterans' events will be played best of five games throughout.
  - All matches of doubles events will be played best of five games throughout.
20. All participants must send their entries in written on the prescribed "**Entry / Nomination Form**" along with the entry fees & registration fees (if applicable). All players / officials / members will be abided by the "**Rules & Regulations**" mentioned in the "**Entry / Nomination Form**". Bonafide certificate must be submitted at the beginning of the season / year.
21. Prospectus and entry form for Major Ranking tournaments & District Championships shall be sent by TTAB to all Players, Clubs and affiliated units, at least, one week prior to the commencement of the tournament / championship.



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22. **The prospectus should interalia mention:**
- The tournament will be conducted under the rules & regulations laid down by the Table Tennis Federation of India (TTFI) and adopted by the Gujarat State Table Tennis Association (GSTTA).
  - Dates and Venue of the tournament / championship.
  - Last date of submission of entries.
  - Entry & Registration Fees.
  - Events are to be conducted.
23. The tournament committee will prepare the draw and conduct the tournament.
24. Entry fee/s & Registration fee/s (if applicable) will be mentioned in the prescribed entry form and are required to pay along with the entry form at the time of submission of entry.
25. Entry & Registration fees are **NON-REFUNDABLE**.
26. Umpiring of all matches will be done preferably in **ENGLISH** language.
27. TTFI approved tables and balls will be used in each tournament / championship.
28. The Trophy, Merit Certificate and Cash Prize will be awarded to 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Winners only. However, Cash Prize will be awarded Semifinalists also in those events which has minimum 16 entries.
29. It is mandatory to be present in the Prize Distribution Ceremony for all winners, else Shield, Trophy, Medal and Cash Prize shall be forfeited and will be awarded a penalty of minus 10 points which will be deducted from his/her accumulated ranking points.
30. Any player who gives a walkover without any valid reason in any Ranking Tournaments / Inter District Championships will be awarded a penalty of minus 10 points which will be deducted from his/her accumulated ranking points.

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