

TABLE TENNIS AUSTRALIA Ltd.



2020 National Senior, Youth, Junior & Para Championships

11-20 December
Traralgon, Victoria

EVENT PROSPECTUS

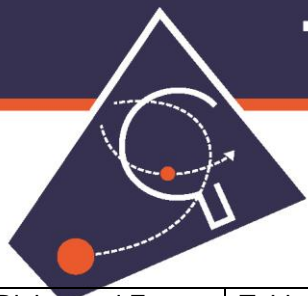


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Rights and Event Management	Table Tennis Australia Ltd. (TTA) are the sole commercial rights holder of the 2020 National Senior, Youth, Junior & Para Championships (The Event). TTA will host and manage The Event in its entirety.
Dates and Location	Friday 11 to Sunday 20 December 2020 Traralgon Sports Stadium – Catterick Crescent, Traralgon, Victoria, 3844 Website: Click here
Related Documents	National Championship Regulations . Note the eligibility requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chapter 8 (team events) - Chapter 9 (individual events)
Key Dates	<p>Tuesday 30 June 2020: Preliminary Entry Forms for Team Events released.</p> <p>Thursday 10 September 2020: Latest date for the Final Entry Forms for Team Events, and the Entry Forms for Individual Events to be released.</p> <p>Thursday 29 October 2020: Due date for the Final Entry Forms for Team Events, and the Entry Forms for Individual Events to be submitted (State/Territory Associations to submit to TTA). All entry forms must be emailed to nationals@tabletennis.org.au.</p> <p>Tuesday 1 December 2020: Last day to pay entry fees. Note: no athlete may participate if entry fees are not paid. TTA enforces a 'no pay, no play' policy.</p>
Payments for Entry Fees	<p>TTA will provide an invoice to State and Territory Associations for all entries upon submission of Final Entry Forms for all team events. Individual events entries will be taken online through the TTA website.</p> <p>Note: Any cancellations on Tuesday 1 December 2020 or earlier will be entitled to a full refund. Any cancellations on Wednesday 2 December 2020 or later will not be entitled to a refund.</p>
Organising Committee	<p>TTA CEO – Scott Houston, ceo@tabletennis.org.au</p> <p>Tournament Director – Phil Davis</p> <p>Tournament Controllers – Bev and Brian James, nationals@tabletennis.org.au</p>
Officials	TBC
COVID-19	Specific COVID-19 related and guidelines and rules will be advised prior to the event.
Equipment	<p>Official Equipment Sponsors: DHS, Nittaku, Stiga and Table Tennis World</p> <p>Tables: DHS T1223, Nittaku Hannover T168 and Stiga Expert VM Roller</p> <p>Balls: DHS 40+ 3-Star</p>
What Events Can Athletes Compete In?	<p>TEAM EVENTS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All Team events will be played at the same time. Each athlete can only compete in one team event, e.g. an athlete <u>cannot</u> compete in a Junior team plus a Youth team, or a Para team plus an Open team etc. <p>INDIVIDUAL EVENTS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - OPEN – Open athletes may compete in Open events, and Para events (Classification permitting). - YOUTH – Youth athletes may compete in Youth and Open events, and Para events (Classification permitting). - JUNIOR – Junior athletes may compete in up to two Junior age groups (DOB permitting), and may also compete in Youth events, Open events and Para events (Classification permitting) - PARA – Para athletes may compete in Para events (Classification and/or DOB permitting), and may also compete in up to two Junior age groups (DOB permitting), Youth events (DOB permitting) and Open events.

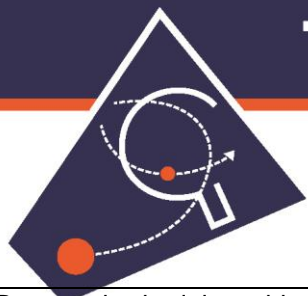


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Proposed schedule, subject to change, based on final entries:

	FRIDAY 11 DEC	SATURDAY 12 DEC	SUNDAY 13 DEC	MONDAY 14 DEC	TUESDAY 15 DEC	WEDNESDAY 16 DEC	THURSDAY 17 DEC	FRIDAY 18 DEC	SATURDAY 19 DEC	SUNDAY 20 DEC
PARA EVENTS	Individual Events	Individual Events	Team Events	Team Events						
SENIOR & YOUTH EVENTS			Team Events	Team Events	Team Events	Mixed Doubles	Doubles	Singles	Singles	
JUNIOR EVENTS			Team Events	Team Events	Team Events	Mixed Doubles	Doubles	Singles	Singles	Singles

NOTE: Classification for Para events will take place at the competition venue on Thursday 10 December.

Events

SENIOR EVENTS		YOUTH EVENTS	
Men's Team		U/21 Men's Team	
Women's Team		U/21 Women's Team	
Men's Singles		U/21 Men's Singles	
Women's Singles		U/21 Women's Singles	
Men's Doubles		U/21 Men's Doubles	
Women's Doubles		U/21 Women's Doubles	
Mixed Doubles		U/21 Mixed Doubles	

JUNIOR EVENTS			
U/18 Boys Team	U/15 Boys Team	U/13 Boys Team	U/11 Boys Team
U/18 Girls Team	U/15 Girls Team	U/13 Girls Team	U/11 Girls Team
U/18 Boys Singles	U/15 Boys Singles	U/13 Boys Singles	U/11 Boys Singles
U/18 Girls Singles	U/15 Girls Singles	U/13 Girls Singles	U/11 Girls Singles
U/18 Boys Doubles	U/15 Boys Doubles	U/13 Boys Doubles	U/11 Boys Doubles
U/18 Girls Doubles	U/15 Girls Doubles	U/13 Girls Doubles	U/11 Girls Doubles
U/18 Mixed Doubles	U/15 Mixed Doubles	U/13 Mixed Doubles	U/11 Mixed Doubles

PARA EVENTS	
<u>Open Singles Class 1 - 11, Hearing Impaired & Youth</u>	<u>Open Doubles Class 1 - 11 & Hearing Impaired</u>
Class 1 - 5 Men's Wheelchair Singles	Class 1 - 5 Men's Wheelchair Doubles
Class 1 - 5 Women's Wheelchair Singles	Class 1 - 5 Women's Wheelchair Doubles
Class 6 - 11 & Hearing Impaired Men's Standing Singles	Class 1 - 5 Mixed Wheelchair Doubles
Class 6 - 11 & Hearing Impaired Women's Standing Singles	Class 6 - 10 Men's Standing Doubles
Class 1 - 5 Youth U23 Wheelchair Singles	Class 6 - 10 Women's Standing Doubles
Class 6 - 11 & Hearing Impaired Youth U23 Standing Singles	Class 6 - 10 Mixed Standing Doubles
	Class 11 Men's Doubles
	Class 11 Women's Doubles
	Class 11 Mixed Doubles
	Hearing Impaired Men's Doubles
	Hearing Impaired Women's Doubles
	Hearing Impaired Mixed Doubles
<u>Class Singles 1 - 11 & Hearing Impaired</u>	<u>Team Events</u>
Class Singles (1 - 11 & Hearing Impaired)	Class 1 - 11 & Hearing Impaired
Class Singles will be organised into events upon completion of Classifications.	Organised into events dependent on entries.

Rules

The Event will be conducted in accordance with the current ITTF Rules and the TTA National Championships Regulations.

Food and catering

- Canteen facilities available within the venue.
- Supermarkets, shops and restaurants are available within close proximity of the venue.

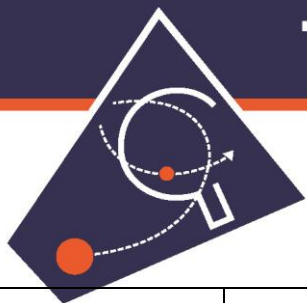
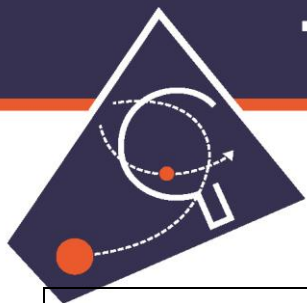


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<p>Draw</p>	<p><u>SENIOR, YOUTH & JUNIOR</u> The draw will be completed by the Tournament Referee and published on the TTA website by Thursday 10 December at the latest.</p> <p><u>PARA</u> The draw will be completed by the Tournament Referee and published on the TTA website upon completion of Classification.</p>
<p>Accommodation</p>	<p>TTA is able to provide exclusive access to discounted accommodation at Federation University Churchill, with prices as low as \$60 per person per night. For those who wish to organise their own accommodation, multiple other local options are also available. To view full information on all accommodation options, please click here.</p> <p>NOTE: participants should check with your State/Territory Association as they may book accommodation in bulk for all team members.</p>
<p>Medals and Prize Money</p>	<p>Medals will be awarded for all events as per the National Championships Regulations.</p> <p>A total prize pool of up to \$13,250 will be available across all Senior, Youth and Para events. The breakdown of prize money for each event will be at the discretion of TTA. As per the National Championships Regulations, prize money will not be awarded for junior events.</p> <p>NOTE: Receiving medals and payment of prize money is dependent on the athlete attending the medal ceremony. Attending the medal ceremony is mandatory for all medal winners.</p>
<p>Clothing</p>	<p>Team Events: All athletes must wear their State/Territory Team uniform (NOTE: President's Team players must wear the designated President's Team shirt).</p> <p>Individual Events: Athletes may wear any clothing that complies with ITTF Regulations.</p>
<p>Racket Control</p>	<p>Racket controls will be conducted. All rackets must comply with ITTF regulations.</p>
<p>Motion and picture</p>	<p>Participants release all rights, or rights held by their agents or sponsors, in all matters relating to television and web casting coverage, video and motion picture coverage, and photographic coverage of any kind to TTA. Livestreaming will be provided through My Sport Live.</p>
<p>Betting</p>	<p>In the context of betting, participants shall not, by any manner whatsoever infringe the principle of fair play, show unsporting conduct or attempt to influence the course or result of a competition or any part thereof in a manner contrary to sporting ethics. Any violation of this principle shall be disciplined according to provisions of ITTF Regulation 3.5.3.</p>
<p>Anti-Doping</p>	<p>Please be advised that this event is subject to drug testing in accordance with the policies and procedures of the Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority (ASADA) and the World Anti-Doping Authority (WADA) regulations. TTA refers all athletes and coaches to the following websites which have the relevant information relating to anti-doping including the option to check any substance, as well as the ASADA e-Learning Level 1 and Level 2 Anti-Doping Courses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ASADA: www.asada.gov.au Australian Sports Drug Medical Advisory Committee (ASDMAC): www.asdmac.gov.au WADA: www.wada-ama.org <p>TTA's Anti-Doping policy can also be viewed on the TTA website under Governance. It is the athlete's sole responsibility to comply with this policy including applying for therapeutic use exemptions when taking a banned medication for therapeutic reasons.</p>



Classification Information – (Para Only)

What is Classification?

Classification is an assessment process, which allows us to group athletes whose impairment causes similar limitations in a particular sport in order to allow for meaningful competition.

Classification requirements for the 2020 National Para Championships – Athletes with a Physical Impairment (Classes 1-10) are required to hold an eligible classification with a Sport Class Status of National Review (NR) or National Confirmed (NC) by the close of entries. Athletes without a classification, or who hold a National Review (NR), or a Provisional (PrR) status classification may enter, however will be required to attend Physical Impairment Athlete Evaluation at the competition to be eligible to compete.

Athletes with an Intellectual Impairment (Class 11) are required to hold an eligible Sport Inclusion Australia classification with a Sport Class Status of National Review (NR) or National Confirmed (NC) by the close of entries. Provisional (PrR) status classifications will not be eligible for entry. No classification will be offered at this event. Athletes must be a member of Sport Inclusion Australia to compete in this event. To arrange a classification please contact Sport Inclusion Australia by visiting their website: <http://sportinclusionaustralia.org.au/>

Athletes with a Hearing Impairment are required to hold an eligible Deaf Sports classification by the close of entries. Athletes must be a member of Deaf Sport Australia (DSA). To arrange a classification please contact Deaf Sports Australia by visiting their website: <http://www.deafsports.org.au/>

All Athletes in Classes 1-11 are advised to check whether they have been formally classified prior to entering the event. Refer to the Table Tennis Australia Classification master list at www.tabletennis.org.au/Elite/Athletes-With-Disabilities/Classification

Classification for Athletes with a physical impairment at this event

National level classification will be delivered for athletes with a physical impairment only.

Table Tennis Australia will determine which athletes are required to attend classification according to the Australian master list for Table Tennis.

Athletes with a physical impairment in classes 1-10 who are:

- provisional (PrR) status,
- national review (NR) status,

will also be seen by the Classification Panel.

All Athletes that require classification will be scheduled for an assessment on 11 December 2020 and athletes who are scheduled must be available from the beginning of the classification period.

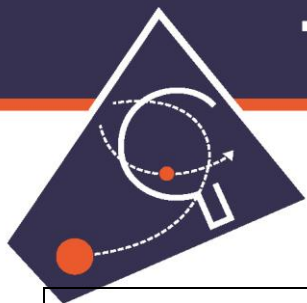
Athletes will be notified of the schedule via email no later than 1 week prior to the event.

Athletes must meet the Minimal Disability Criteria as defined by the ITTF Classification Rules to be eligible to compete at this event. If an athlete does not meet minimal eligibility during the classification evaluation period, they will be allowed to compete in the rounds but will not be eligible for finals or medals.

If an athlete disagrees with the final classification decision, the athlete will compete at the Nationals under the classification results determined by the National classification panel at this event.

What happens during a National classification evaluation?

Classification generally includes the following steps:



Medical Assessment	Assessment of impairment	Athletes will be asked questions about their impairment and will be required to perform physical tests
Technical Assessment	Assessment of events specific skills	As required, athletes will be asked to perform specific skills that are specific to their sport e.g. demonstrating a forehand
Competition Assessment	Observation and assessment of sport specific movement	As required, classifiers will observe athletes in competition

Athletes should refer to the Preparing for Classification document that will be provided with the classification schedule for full details of what to expect and what to bring to classification:

- Prior to being seen by the classification panel, athletes will be required to read and sign an Athlete Evaluation Consent Form.
- Athletes are advised to bring an athlete representative to classification (parent, coach or other). This is a requirement for athletes under 18 years.

Medical documentation requirements for athletes with a physical impairment selected to attend classification evaluation (physical Impairment) at the event:

- All athletes attending classification (except those with an obvious limb deficiency) will need to bring a letter or report from a specialist (e.g. neurologist, orthopaedic or spinal specialist) stating their diagnosis, and the physical signs. This letter should not be more than 5 years old.
- All athletes under 18 with short stature (Achondroplasia or other conditions causing short stature) must present with a letter from their treating specialist (endocrinologist, paediatric rehabilitation consultant or orthopaedic specialist) outlining the details of their diagnosis and an estimated likely terminal height (i.e. height as an adult). Documentation must include a brief rationale for their estimation of this height, and predicted growth curves compared to norms.

Where do I go for further information?

- TTA, contact Sue Stevenson at sue@tabletennis.org.au
- Paralympics Australia at www.paralympic.org.au or classification@paralympic.org.au