## Oceania Table Tennis Federation

## **General Regulations**

## WORLD CADET CHALLENGE OCEANIA QUALIFICATION TOURNAMENT

Each year a boys' team and a girls' team, each comprising 4 players representing different National Associations, shall be selected to represent Oceania at the World Cadet Challenge.

## **CONDITIONS of ENTRY**

- 1. The tournament is to be known as the World Cadet Challenge Oceania Qualification and will be held under
  - ITTF Regulations which includes eligibility for ITTF events.
- 2. Players entered MUST be available to play in the ITTF World Cadet Challenge
- 3. Players must be born on or after 1<sup>st</sup> January, 15 years before the present year.
- 4. A maximum of 2 entries per gender per National Association is allowed.
- 5. All matches will be the best of 5 games.
- 6. If there are 8 or fewer participants a straight round robin competition shall be held where each participant competes against all other participants to determine the final placings.
- 7. Where there are from 9 to 12 participants there shall be 3 round robin groups in the 1<sup>st</sup> stage, with the top 2 in each group going into a second stage round robin group to determine the first 6 positions. The remaining players will also form a second stage round robin group to determine the remaining places.
- 8. If there are more than 12 participants there shall be round robin groups of 4 players (preferred) and 3 players (only the minimum number necessary) with the top 2 in each group going into a second stage progressive knockout to determine the first 8 or more positions.
  - Play-offs shall be held for the remaining positions, (either progressive knockout or round-robin or both) depending upon the number of participants, so as to maximize the number of matches played by each player within the time available.
- 9. Where a two stage round robin system is used, results of matches between players from the first round robin stage proceeding into the same 2<sup>nd</sup> stage group will be carried forward to the second stage group and be used in the determination of final placings (i.e. such players shall not play each other a 2<sup>nd</sup> time).
- 10. Where round robin groups are followed by progressive knockouts, players from the same 1<sup>st</sup> stage group shall be drawn into opposite halves of the knockout draws. Otherwise, players from the same Association shall be separated as far as possible in the knockout draws.
- 11. Entries close 2 weeks before the event is held, with the OTTF Executive Director.