

MAHARASHTRA STATE TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION

RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026-27

Purpose of the Regional Tournament

It is observed that players from the developing districts of Maharashtra do not participate in good numbers in the state ranking tournaments because of the growing disparity between their playing standard compared to that of the developed districts like MCD, TSTTA, Thane, Pune and Nagpur.

To provide an intermediate platform between district ranking and state ranking tournaments, the regional tournaments are planned, so that the players from developing districts will get to play, on a multi district platform, with the players who are more or less equal in the playing standard. This will encourage them to participate in this tournament and earn medals which are sure to boost their enthusiasm.

Considering the above purpose the regional tournaments are planned & the following rules and regulations are framed –

Regions of Maharashtra

Regions	Districts
Konkan & Western Maharashtra:	Satara, Sangli, Kolhapur, Solapur, Raigad, Sindhudurg, Ratnagiri, Palghar
North Maharashtra:	Ahmednagar, Nasik, Jalgaon, Dhule, Nandurbar,
Marathwada:	Aurangabad, Jalna, Nanded, Latur, Beed, Usmanabad, Parbhani, Hingoli
Vidharbh:	Buldana, Akola, Yavatmal, Gondia, Amravati, Wardha, Gadchiroli, Bhandara, Chandrapur, Washim

MCD, TSTTA, Thane, Pune and Nagpur being developed districts are excluded.

<u>Region</u>	<u>Regional Incharge</u>
North Maharashtra	Mr. Shekhar Bhandari
Western Maharashtra & Konkan	Mr. Sanjay Kadu
Marathwada	Mr. Ganesh Malve
Vidharbh	Mr. Ashok Raut
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Name of the Tournament

The name of the tournament shall be termed as:

'Region Name' Regional Championships Table Tennis Tournament 20__.

In case of sponsorships or in case it is to be named after in any person the name will appear as under -

xxxxxx Memorial/xxxxxx Cup

'Region Name' Regional Championships Table Tennis Tournament 20__.

Eligibility for participation

Players from the districts of the same region only can participate e.g. a player from Akola cannot participate in the North Maharashtra Regional Championships Tournament.

Player should not be ranked, in first sixteen, in any event of the state in current as well as two previous years cannot participate in the tournament.

Players from MCD, TSTTA, THANE, PUNE and NAGPUR can not participate.

The age limit for the Youth U/11, U/13, U/15, U/17, U/19 is as follows

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATE OF BIRTH</u>
a) YOUTH U/11	Born on or after 01 – 01 – 2016
b) YOUTH U/13	Born on or after 01 – 01 – 2014
c) YOUTH U/15	Born on or after 01 – 01 – 2012
d) YOUTH U/17	Born on or after 01 – 01 – 2010
e) YOUTH U/19	Born on or after 01 – 01 – 2008

Date & Venue for the Tournament

The Dates of the tournament will be decided in Co-Ordination of Regional In charge and M.S.T.T.A. The Venue will be finalized in joint Consultation of Tournament Committee, MSTTA and Regional Incharge

Entries for the Tournament

- Entries will be submitted to the MSTTA Web site.
- There will be no bar on the number of entries from any district.
- Only registered players of MSTTA can give the entries.
- In districts where affiliated associations do not exist, the players can give direct entries.

Seedings and Draws

Seedings and draw will be done by The Regional Incharge and the Seeding Committee of MSTTA. The draws & fixtures of the tournament will be processed at the MSTTA Secretariat.

Tournament Fee, Entry fee and MSTTA's Share

Entry fee will be Rs 800/- per event. 60% of the entry fee shall be organizers share and 40% will be MSTTA's share. But those Host associations who are providing free lodging and boarding to all players In such case they will get 80% share and MSTTA will get 20% Share.

The draw charges of Rs. 3000/- will have to be paid to MSTTA.

Prize Money and Points

The Prize money of Rs. 50,000/- will have to be paid to players as per the schedule attached.

Since the performance is not going to be counted for state ranking or selection, no points will be awarded.

Officiating

Tournament Committee Chairman will allot chief referee for the tournament. The umpires will be appointed by the organizer.

The Chief referee will be provided Lodging, Boarding, 2 way 2nd AC fare and honorarium of Rs. 5000/- by the organizer.

The Umpires will be provided Lodging, Boarding, 2 way Sleeper Class fare and honorarium of Rs.800/- per day, by the organizer

The MSTTA office bearers and Tournament committee will be provided Lodging, Boarding, 2 way 2nd AC fare by the organizer.

Responsibilities of the regional incharge

- To promote the tournament in all the districts of the region and to ensure maximum participation.
- To convene its meeting & take up responsibility of seedings, draws and fixtures.
- To ensure proper publicity for the tournament.
- To act as overall in charge of the tournament.

Responsibilities of the organizer

- To provide the venue with minimum 6 good quality table tennis tables.
- To ensure proper lighting arrangements and to provide generator backup wherever required to ensure uninterrupted play.

- To provide approved table tennis balls.
- To provide adequate number of umpires (in ratio of at least 2.5 per table).
- To distribute Prize Money as per the MSTTA Prize Money Chart
- To provide free accommodation to all outstation players(optional)
- To provide all the assistance to the regional in charge for seeding, press conference, promotion of the tournament in other districts etc.

Mr Yatin Tipnis

Secretary General, MSTTA.