

### Tournament Information

1. All entries must be completed by the closing date. The closing date for the event is September 28<sup>th</sup> 2024.
2. Entries can be submitted without payment, but payment must be completed by the closing date to be fully accepted.
3. Refunds will be given if an entry is withdrawn prior to the closing date. No refunds will be given if an entry is withdrawn after the closing date.
4. The draw will be made on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October.
5. There is a limit of 36 entrants in the event. Entries are accepted on a first come first served basis.
6. To play in the event, you must be a member of both Table Tennis 365, and Match Point TT Events Ltd. Membership to Table Tennis 365 is free of charge and can be completed by contacting Steve Pound via [steve@tabletennis365.com](mailto:steve@tabletennis365.com). Membership to Match Point TT Events Ltd costs £10 annually. Please contact Match Point TT Events via [matchpointevents@outlook.com](mailto:matchpointevents@outlook.com) to request a membership form and register as a Match Point member. Membership to Match Point Events Ltd allows you entry into any Match Point event across the 24/25 season.
7. The main draw winner will win a prize of £500 paid in cash. The main draw runner-up will win a prize of £50 paid in cash. All main draw finalists will receive trophies.
8. Cash prizes will not be awarded to anyone under the age of 18. If a participant aged under 18 wins a cash prize in the event, this money will be awarded to the table tennis club that they represent.
9. Table Tennis 365 ranking points apply to this event.
10. Play will take place on 6 STAG Global Roma 24 (25mm ITTF Certified) blue tables. The match balls will be STAG Global 3\* balls.
11. There will be no separate practice facilities.
12. There are changing facilities at the venue.
13. All groups will start at 4pm.
14. Registration opens at 3.30pm. Players are permitted to enter the venue to warm-up from 3.30pm.
15. Players are expected to umpire matches when they lose.
16. If you are unable to attend the event or need to contact the organiser, please contact Aaron Shaheed, mobile: 07964182622, email: [matchpointevents@outlook.com](mailto:matchpointevents@outlook.com).
17. Entry fees: £35 per player. The tournament format will be 6x groups of 6 players, followed by a knockout format. The top 3 players in each group will progress to the main draw knockout. Each player is therefore

- guaranteed a minimum of 5 matches. 18 players in the draw will play at least 6 matches.
18. There will be 6 seeded players in the draw. These players will be placed across each of the 6 groups. Seedings will be based on Table Tennis England Rankings. Tournament organiser discretion will be used where Table Tennis England Rankings are not appropriate. The tournament organisers decision on seedings is final.
  19. A £5 admin fee applies to all entries.
  20. Photo and live streaming may take place during this event which may include (but not limited to) using them in printed and online platforms, social media and press releases. If you do not give permission to take photographs and/or video of you (or individuals for whom you are legally responsible) please contact [matchpointevents@outlook.com](mailto:matchpointevents@outlook.com).
  21. Code of Conduct – players and coaches are expected to conduct themselves as would be expected at a Table Tennis England event.
  22. All group and knockout matches will be best of 5 games. The final order in a group shall be determined as per ITTF regulation 3.75 for group competitions except that where a player concedes a match, he/she shall receive -3 group points.
  23. There is no age restriction.
  24. Players must not wear shirts that are predominantly white.
  25. Competitors will be permitted to practice on tables not in use at the discretion of the organiser.
  26. No competitor or official shall engage in betting on players or matches.
  27. Doping shall not take place either before or during the day
  28. All competitors must report to the control table and register on arrival and must not leave the venue without deregistering at the control table.
  29. The use of bats prepared with glue containing VOC's will not be allowed. Hard bat and sandpaper bats are permitted in the event.
  30. The organisers decision shall be final on points of law on any questions arising not provided for in these regulations or in any dispute as to the interpretation thereof. Decisions on points of fact by an umpire shall be final.
  31. Any UK earnings/tax implications, and/or UK visa implications, arising from prize winnings at this event are strictly the responsibility of the participant.