Table Tennis Rules

Each participant is responsible for presenting a current Photo ID at game time. NO EXCEPTIONS

Equipment

Paddles
All paddles will be provided by Campus Recreation. If participants wish to bring their own paddles they will be allowed for play. All paddles must be of similar size and shape to that of their opponents.

Balls
All balls will be provided by Campus Recreation. All balls will be regulation 40mm in diameter.

The Game

All players will play in a double elimination bracket. Warm up games will only be permitted before 6:15PM.

10 Minute Forfeit Rule: Your team has 10 minutes after their scheduled game time show up with the required number of players to start. For each minute late the opposing team will receive a point. Example team A shows up 5 minutes late team B will receive 5 points at the start of the game. Team B also has the option not to take any points.

Legal Service
The ball must rest on an open hand palm. Then it must be tossed up at least 6 inches and struck so the ball first bounces on the server's side and then the opponent's side.

If the serve is legal except that it touches the net, it is called a let serve. Let serves are not scored and are reserved.

First serve is determined by PING. Hit the ball four times and then player who wins rally chooses to serve or pass first service to opponent.

Service is switched every 5 points during a game* (see note below)

Scoring
A point is scored when an opponent fails to legally return the ball across the net.

If a player is losing 11-0 during the game, the mercy rule will be in effect and the game shall be called at that point.

Games are played to 21 points. Games must be won by 2 points*, there is no point cap.

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*Any time both players reach 20 points in a game service will immediately switch to a 1-1 format. EX: If the score is 20-20 player A serves and scores. The score is now 21-20. Player B now has the service and scores 21-21. Player A then would have service. Service alternates in this format until one players wins by two points.

Tournament play is double elimination. Players are seeded in a random bracket.