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# **Intramural Sports**

Sports, Fitness and Aquatics Department

# 2020 Table Tennis Registration Form Open Tournament

This is a non-sanctioned table tennis tournament, offered by Fort Stewart Intramural Sports. Participation is open to all authorized FMWR patrons (18 and older) that have access to Fort Stewart FMWR facilities. A valid ID card must be verified prior to participation. USA Table Tennis (USATT) rules shall govern play throughout the tournament.

Date: 25 January 2020 Location: Newman Fitness Center

Time: 1000 Cost: FREE

Registration: 16 December – 22 January Awards: 1st and 2nd Place Trophies

## **Participant Waiver**

The participant hereby waives, releases and indemnifies Fort Stewart/Hunter Army Airfield, the FMWR department and FMWR employees of all responsibilities and liabilities resulting from participation in any FMWR program. This includes all damages, costs, fees, loss, injury, or death sustained by the participant. Participation in FMWR programs is elective and purely recreational in nature, so participants take part at their own risk. FMWR strongly recommends that each participant consult his or her healthcare provider prior to program registration to ensure their physical preparedness for strenuous athletic activity. The participant does hereby assume all risks and hazards associated with participation in all FMWR programs. The participant waives the rights to all photographic materials taken by authorized FMWR employees, agrees that they are property of FMWR and that all images can be used and published without prior approval from the participant.

Print First and Last Name	Rank	Company/Battalion	Military Affiliation *
Email Address	Phone Number		Waiver Signature

<sup>\*</sup>Military Affiliation: Active Duty, Reservist, Retiree, Dependent, DoD Civilian Employee, and DoD Contractor

**DFMWR Points-of-Contact** 

## **LOCAL RULES**

#### 1. Game Format

- a. Matches shall be self-officiated and there will be no certified officials to oversee the matches.
  - i. Disputes shall be settled on the court at the time of occurrence and if no consensus can be determined, the point shall be replayed.
  - ii. If matches start to exhibit excessive arguments and controversies, the Sports Director reserves the right to cancel any and all matches at any time and eject any participant from the tournament.
- b. Matches are played best 2-of-3 games.
  - i. Championship tournament games are best 3-of-5
- c. Games are played to 11 points, win-by-2.
- d. Round Robin matches will be played to determine tournament seeding (subject to change, based on total number of registrants).
- e. Top-4 players from Round Robin play advance to single-elimination Championship Tournament (subject to change, based on total number of registrants).

#### 2. Equipment

- a. Players should provide their own rackets when possible. FMWR will have a limited number to check-out.
- b. FMWR will provide regulation table tennis balls.
- c. Players are required to wear closed-toed athletic shoes at all times during play.
- d. Players cannot wear vulgar or distracting clothing.
  - i. Distracting clothing includes fluorescent colors and distracting multicolored patterns that make it difficult for opponents to see the ball during play.

#### 3. The Serve

- a. Open Palm Players must "present" the ball (flat palm up), lifting the ball to at least a height of 6" into the air, to be considered a legal serve. The ball must rest freely in the open palm and may not be hidden/gripped/cupped by the serving player.
- b. The ball must be presented as vertically upwards as possible and be visible to the receiver at all times during the serve.
- c. Failure to present the ball legally will result in a point being awarded to the receiving opponent.
- d. The score should be called aloud prior to each point by the serving player.

#### 4. Disturbances

- a. Play may be interrupted during a rally if external conditions disturbed play, i.e.:
  - i. A ball from another court enters the playing area and disrupts play.
  - ii. The match ball breaks during a rally.
- b. If play is deemed to be legally interrupted, players shall call a "let" and the point shall be replayed.
- c. If a disturbance happens after a rally is over, the point stands.

# 5. Player Conduct

- a. Players should conduct themselves in a respectful manner at all times during the tournament.
- b. Profanity and vulgar conduct/language will not be tolerated and players who exhibit such behaviors shall be disqualified from the tournament.
- c. Alcohol and tobacco are not allowed on the premises at any time. Players suspected of being under the influence of alcohol at any time during the tournament shall be disqualified.