



TECHNICAL PACKAGE

Technical packages are a critical part of the Saskatchewan Games. They guide the selection of athletes by prescribing the age and eligibility requirements, assist the organizing committee by detailing tournament formats and scoring procedures, assist the Districts and Provincial Sport Governing Bodies (PSGB) in verifying eligibility, help with budgeting by describing the number of participants permitted, advance coaching certification by stating minimum requirements and generally contribute to athlete development by identifying each PSGBs version of developing young amateur athletes.

Every Saskatchewan Games' coach, manager, host sport directors, District sport contacts and District sport councils has an obligation to read and understand every aspect of the Technical Package. Failure to do so could cost an athlete his or her eligibility for the Games and could affect final standings or the conduct of the competition. If someone does not understand an aspect of a Technical Package, he or she is to seek clarification from the Saskatchewan Games Council or the respective PSGB.

Technical Packages are developed primarily by PSGBs, following principles, guidelines and requirements of the Saskatchewan Games Council. As the overall governing body of the Games, the Council has the ultimate authority for Technical Packages, but this authority is exercised only with the knowledge and understanding of the PSGB concerned.

Changes initiated by the PSGB must be directed to the Saskatchewan Games Council for approval. The proposed changes must have solid rational for enhancing the sport technical requirements. Changes to age groups, eligibility requirements and team sizes or staff compliments after 18 months prior to the games will not be considered.

Saskatchewan Games Athlete Eligibility

1. The Saskatchewan Games shall be open to Saskatchewan residents who are Canadian citizens or who have landed immigrant status for a minimum period of one year prior to the Games.
2. Each District team shall be comprised of eligible athletes whose Saskatchewan domicile or actual residence for at least six months prior to the Games, was located within the recognized boundaries of the District they are representing. In the event an athlete moves from one District to another, less than six months prior to the start of the Games, a special request may be made to the Saskatchewan Games Council to determine eligibility.
3. Students enrolled and attending secondary or post-secondary school on a full-time basis outside their District residence may elect to compete in a District play down in either their home District or academic resident District, but not both.

Students attending a secondary school outside their home District must be enrolled in a minimum of 60% of the eligible credits to be considered a full-time student.

Students attending a post-secondary school outside their home District must be enrolled in a minimum of the equivalent 3 full time classes per year to be considered a full-time student.

4. First Nation athletes who reside and attend school in one District but are members of a First Nation Reserve in another District may elect to participate in either District, but not both. If they try out for one District and are not selected for that team, they are not permitted to try out for that sport in another District.
5. Athletes who have shared custody in a split marriage must participate in the District in which they currently attend school. If an athlete is transferring schools to live with the other parent or guardian in another District in the year of the Games, then the school that the athlete previously attended will be the District they participate in.
6. Athletes residing outside Saskatchewan:

Individual Sports:

Athletes residing at an address outside Saskatchewan are eligible to participate in the Saskatchewan Games if they meet the following conditions:

- They reside near the Saskatchewan boundary and attend school on a full-time basis in a recognized Saskatchewan education system;
- In the year of the Saskatchewan Games, they must be a registered member of the appropriate Saskatchewan Provincial Sport Governing Body and shall not be a member of another province;
- They are eligible for membership with a PSGB in Saskatchewan.

Team Sports:

If a team has members from outside the Province of Saskatchewan, the team will be eligible if these criteria are met:

- The majority of the team resides in Saskatchewan or attends school on a full-time basis in a Saskatchewan based education system, and the others live within

- reasonable commuting distance;
- In the year of the Saskatchewan Games they must be a registered member of the appropriate Saskatchewan Provincial Sport Governing Body and shall not be a member of another province;
- They are eligible for membership with a PSGB in Saskatchewan.

7. District Team Eligibility

Sports using Club Team selection

When a team roster is comprised of athletes residing in different Districts, the following criteria will determine which District the team will represent:

- In the year of the Saskatchewan Games they must be a registered member of the appropriate Saskatchewan Sport Governing Body;
 - Where a team has members from two or more Saskatchewan Games Districts, and is registered in a recognized league, it shall compete in the District where the majority of the players reside. Teams in this position may have members living in adjacent Districts within reasonable commuting distance.
8. The Games shall be open only to amateur athletes recognized as such by the applicable PSGB.
 9. For each Games an athlete may participate in one sport only in each half, however an athlete may elect to try out for different sports in the District team selection process. Upon acceptance of selection to a District team in that half the athlete must remain with that team until the completion of the Games and is not eligible to try out for another sport.
 10. Coaches, managers and athletes may participate in more than one sport. However, they may only participate in one sport in each half of the Games.
 11. The age classification for participation in the Saskatchewan Games is based on the LTAD model for each sport. Recognizing the multi—sport environment that athletes are exposed to at the Games, each sport shall consider the maturity level of the athlete when establishing its age classification.
 12. Eligibility of athletes for the Saskatchewan Games program must be clearly identified by the PSGB in each respective sport technical package.
 13. Prior to the Games, the eligibility of any athlete not clearly established by these rules shall be determined by the Saskatchewan Games Council. During the Games the eligibility shall be determined by the Games Jury.
 14. Coaches, managers and athletes of the District team must stay in the athletes' village during the Games.

**TABLE TENNIS
TECHNICAL PACKAGE**

**2023 SASKATCHEWAN WINTER GAMES
February 19 – 25, 2023
Regina, Saskatchewan**

1.0 SPORT

- 1.1 Competition Site: University of Regina
 - 1.2 Competition Dates: February 19 - 22, 2023
 - 1.3 Sanction: Table Tennis Saskatchewan
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2.0 PARTICIPANTS

- 2.1 Number of Competitors per District: 4 Male and 4 Female
- 2.2 Coaches and Manager per District: 1 Coach and 1 Manager

NOTE: Sports that have both male and female competitors must ensure that at least one coach/manager is of the opposite gender.

3.0 CLASSIFICATION

- 3.1 Year of Birth: Junior U18 – Born in 2005 (after Jan 1st) or later
Cadet U14 – Born in 2009 (after Jan 1st) or later
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4.0 ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1 Athletes: Must be members of Table Tennis Saskatchewan.
- 4.2 Coaches: Minimum NCCP Level 1 or Community Stream Trained.

As a coach or manager of a District team you will be volunteering with children, who are vulnerable members of our society. As per the policy of the Saskatchewan Games Council, all coaches and managers are required to undergo a Criminal Record Check and a Vulnerable Sector Check.

As per the mandatory requirements for all sports in Saskatchewan the “Respect in Sport” online training program must be taken by all coaches. It is strongly recommended that managers take the online training to ensure that as youth leaders they recognize, understand and respond to issues of abuse, bullying and harassment.

5.0 PROVINCIAL REGISTRATION

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7.0 COMPETITION

7.1 Type of Competition: 4 Team Competition and 4 Singles Competitions: 18 & Under Male, 18 & Under Female, 14 & Under Male, and 14 & Under Female.

7.2 Team Events: The Competition for each gender and age category will consist of three pools with three Districts in each Pool. Placement of Districts in pools will be determined by the combined rating of both players. A Preliminary Round Robin will be played in each pool. Then, a Final Round Robin will be played with the three first place Districts playing for Gold, Silver, and Bronze; the three second place Districts playing for positions four to six and the three third place Districts playing for positions seven to nine.

Singles Competitions: There will be 3 preliminary round robin pools of 6 players to determine placement in the second round. The second round will have 6 round robin pools of 3 players to determine placing. First from each preliminary pool will play to determine placing 1 to 3. Second from each preliminary pool will play for positions 4 to 6. 3rd from each preliminary pool will play for positions 7 to 9. 4th from each preliminary pool will play for positions 10 to 12. 5th from each preliminary pool will play for positions 13 to 15. 6th from each preliminary pool will play for positions 16 to 18.

Team Competition Defined: Team matches between Districts will be best 3 out of 5 games in the following order:

- District I: Player A and Player B (as designated by the coach prior to the start of each match).
- District II: Player X and Player Y (as designated by the coach prior to each match).

Game 1: Player A (District I) vs Player Y (District II)

Game 2: Player B (District I) vs Player X (District II)

Game 3: Doubles - Player A & B (District I) vs Player X & Y (District II)

Game 4: Player A (District I) vs Player X (District II)
Game 5: Player B (District I) vs Player Y (District II),

8.0 RESULTS

The Team Competition: Points will be awarded to each District as follows:

1 st – 27 points	4 th – 18 points	7 th – 9 points
2 nd – 24 points	5 th – 15 points	8 th – 6 points
3 rd – 21 points	6 th – 12 points	9 th – 3 points

For each of the singles competitions, points will be awarded for 1st to 18th place as follows:

1 st – 9 points	7 th – 6 points	13 th – 3 points
2 nd – 8.5 points	8 th – 5.5 points	14 th – 2.5 points
3 rd – 8 points	9 th – 5 points	15 th – 2 points
4 th – 7.5 points	10 th – 4.5 points	16 th – 1.5 points
5 th – 7 points	11 th – 4 points	17 th – 1 point
6 th – 6.5 points	12 th – 3.5 points	18 th – 0.5 points

All points will be calculated to produce a ranking of 1 – 9 for each District and these rankings will be used to determine top three teams for medals and will also be used for Games Flag points.

9.0 TIE BREAKING PROCEDURE

Ties are broken by looking at results between the tied teams by considering:

1. Win/Loss ratio of team matches,
2. Win/Loss ratio of individual matches,
3. Win/Loss ratio of games,
4. Win/Loss ratio of points.

If this is inconclusive, the same procedure is followed against the field.

10.0 SPORT PROTEST PROCEDURE

An umpire's interpretation of the rules may be appealed to the Referee.

11.0 EQUIPMENT

Table Tennis Sask approved tables, surrounds (barriers), scoreboards, nets and white three-star balls. In addition, each playing area shall be 20 feet (6 m) by 40 feet (12 m) and requires two chairs and two small tables the size of a school desk. The number of tables will depend on the size of the facility. Participants must supply their own rackets (must have appropriate rubber on both sides of the racket). A well-ventilated room with tables is required for players who re-glue their rackets between matches.

12.0 SPORT JURY

The sport jury will consist of the Provincial Technical Liaison, Referee, and Sport Chairperson.

13.0 OFFICIALS REQUIRED

13.1 MAJOR OFFICIALS: 1 Referee (Provincial Level Certified)
1 Chief Umpire (Provincial Level Certified)
12 Umpires (Club Level Certified)

13.2 MINOR OFFICIALS: 12 Assistant Umpires - These may have to be players participating in the Games. Table Tennis usually has the odd player out in the round robin umpire the match.

14.0 MEDICAL SERVICES

First Responder with easy access to ambulance service.

15.0 MEDALS

Event	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Team Event	8	8	8
Singles Events	4	4	4
Total	12	12	12

16.0 DISTRICT TEAM SELECTION CRITERIA

Players will be selected at a tournament conducted by the District Sport Contact. The following formats will be used:

Six athletes or less – A round robin style format will be used in each of the Junior 18 male, Junior 18 female, Cadet 14 male, and Cadet 14 female age categories with the top two players in each category representing the District.

Seven athletes or more – The athletes are placed in round robin blocks and will play the matches required. The top two athletes in each round robin block will then advance to a two loss A/B draw format. The winner of the A event and the winner of the B event will then be your District representatives in each age and gender category.

Cadet 14 aged players may be moved up to the Junior 18 age category (gender specific) in order to complete a team.

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