

## MIT Fall Open 2014 Table Tennis Tournament

Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014 MIT DuPont Gym 120 Massachusetts Avenue Cambridge, MA 02139



What is YOUR Rating?

Fmail to mit-tt-open@mit.edu

EVENT NAME	EVENT TYPE	ENTRY FEE*	START TIME	PRIZE (1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> )
Open Singles	RR to SE	\$30	12:00 PM	\$100+T, \$50+T
U2100 Singles	RR to SE	\$20	10:00 AM	T, T
U1800 Singles	RR to SE	\$20	2:00 PM	T, T
U1500 Singles	RR to SE	\$20	12:00 PM	T, T
U1200 Singles	RR to SE	\$20	10:00 AM	T, T
Unrated Singles	RR to SE	\$20	2:00 PM	T, T
Open Doubles	RR to SE	\$10 per player	4:00 PM	T, T
U2800 Doubles	RR to SE	\$10 per player	5:00 PM	T, T

- **Deadline:** The entry form **and payment** must be postmarked before November 29<sup>th</sup>. There will be a \$5 late fee if entered after the deadline. Payments are not refundable after the deadline.
- Students get \$5 off the total entry fee (minimum 2 events, see Eligibility section on the back).

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- There is \$5 off the total entry fee for players entering 3 events
- 'T' on the prize column means "trophy".

Please detach and mail to:

• Online registration is available (see How to Enter section on the back)

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City, State, Zip					Home Club			
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Doubles Partner (if any)					Amount Enclosed			

**TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE:** Tournament Director – Jessie Zhang, Tournament Referee – Liang Liung, Tournament Staff – MIT Table Tennis Club members.

**EQUIPMENT:** 2 Joola Tables, 12 Butterfly Tables, White Nittaku Premium 3 Star 40 mm Balls. Only USATT - approved equipment will be used. Bring your own racket. Rubber must be USATT or ITTF approved.

**ELEGIBILITY:** Open to the public. To receive the student discount, you must present a valid student ID when you sign in. You may enter multiple events that have the same start time, as long you are eligible for those events. We restrict entries to 3 per player to ease the match scheduling process.

**RULES AND CLOTHING:** All USATT rules and the USATT dress code apply (see <a href="www.usatt.org/rules">www.usatt.org/rules</a>). One side of your racket must be bright red and the other must be black. No white shirts. No black-soled shoes.

**HOW TO ENTER:** The deadline is November 29<sup>th</sup>. Entries postmarked after that deadline will incur a \$5 late fee. To enter, mail entry form and entry fees to Jessie Zhang, 3 Ames Street G403, Cambridge, MA 02142 or email mit-open@mit.edu. If entering by email, please provide all information requested on the entry form. Online registration is available (<a href="https://scripts.mit.edu/~tabletennis/registration.html">https://scripts.mit.edu/~tabletennis/registration.html</a>). Note that sending email only is not considered as meeting the deadline (**payments must be postmarked by November 29<sup>th</sup>)**. For payment, we accept cash, checks, paypal, or money orders. Make checks payable to "MIT Table Tennis Club".

**DIRECTIONS:** From Boston (off of Massachusetts Ave.), take Mass. Ave. towards Cambridge. Go over the Mass. Ave. bridge and continue straight on Mass. Ave. 120 Mass. Ave. is on your left side, just before Vassar St. To reach the DuPont gym, you must enter through the Johnson Athletics center (http://whereis.mit.edu/?mapterms=W34). Tell the desk worker that you are here for the table tennis tournament, and ask for directions to the DuPont gym, which is connected to the Johnson Athletics center. From Harvard/Porter Sq. Area, take Mass. Ave. towards Boston. Continue straight on Mass. Ave. 120 Mass. Ave. is on your right side, just after Vassar St. From here, follow the "From Boston" directions to get into the building. MIT parking information can be found http://web.mit.edu/facilities/transportation/parking/visitors/public\_parking.html

**FORMAT AND SCHEDULE:** All events are Round Robin to Single Elimination, and the number of entries for each event will be capped at 28 to prevent delays as seen in past tournaments. Ideally, RR groups will have 3 to 5 players, and the top player will advance to the SE. However, the tournament committee reserves the right to make changes on the format depending on time constraints. All matches are best-of-five 11-point games, except for the final match in the Open event, which is best-of-seven 11-point. Please check in at the registration desk at least 15 minutes prior to the start time of your first event. You only need to check in once, even if you have multiple events starting at different times. All events will finish in the evening. All decisions of the tournament committee are final.

**RATINGS:** For the purposes of event eligibility and seeding, we will use your Ratings Central rating if you have one. Failing that, we will use your USATT rating, if you have one. Failing that, you are "unrated". All matches will be rated by Stiga World Ratings powered by Ratings Central. Ratings will be available about a week after the tournament at www.ratingscentral.com.

**UNRATED PLAYERS:** If you do not have a USATT rating or a Ratings Central rating, then you are "unrated". The tournament is designed to accommodate players of all levels; unrated players are encouraged to enter. Unfortunately, unrated players will not advance to the single-elimination bracket even if you win your group in the Under 1200 through Under 2100 singles. You will advance, if you win, in the Open, Unrated, Under 3200 Doubles, and Open Doubles events. If you are playing with a rated doubles partner, your doubles team is considered unrated. You do not have to enter the Unrated event, but you must enter at least one single s event other than the Unrated event. We suggest you enter more than one singles event, otherwise your resulting rating is likely to be less accurate. If you have no idea what your level is, we suggest you enter the Unrated Singles and Under 1200 events. The purpose of these rules is to make the tournament fair to rated players, while providing the opportunity for unrated players to play rated players. After you play in your first tournament you will become rated and be able to advance in any division that you play in!