



Joola Irish National Closed Championships 2022

Fri/Sat/Sun 15/16/17th April 2022

IWA Hall, Blackheath Drive, Dublin

(Irish Ranking Tournament – Class 1)

Closing Date : 5pm, 4th April 2022

Referees: Con O’Ceadagh NR

Assistant to the Referee: Niall O’Flaherty

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All entries are to be made online via the link below:

<https://tti.justgo.com/workbench/public/events?ref=1173D2918C2E261535180E87143F87C2A62AFE6F>

Event	Eligibility
Mini-Cadet	Born in 2009 or later
Cadet	Born in 2007 or later
Junior	Born in 2003 or later
U-21	Born in 2000 or later
Senior	Open to Mini Cadet players and older.
Restricted	Outside Top 20 Men/Top 10 Women or equivalent
Para	Standing, Wheelchair and Intellectual

PROVISIONAL EVENT START TIMES					
Friday 15th		Saturday 16th		Sunday 17th	
Men's Singles Groups	1830	U21 Men's & Women's	0900	Junior Boys & Girls	0900
Women's Singles Groups	1830	Cadet Boy's & Girls	1200	Mini Cadet Boys	1000
		Men's & Women's KO	1600	Mini Cadet Girls	1000
				Restricted	1200
				Para Events	1400

** Please watch [Table Tennis Ireland website](#) for updates*

CLOSING DATE: 4th April 2022, 5pm

	Entry Fees (€) (add fees for each event entered to calculate total payment due)												
	MS	WS		U-21	Res	Para				U-13	U-15	U-19	
Fee (Senior)	25	25		25	20	20							
Fee (Junior)	15	15		15	15	15				15	15	15	

PLUS €3 per player Administration Fee

Eligibility Criteria

The eligibility criteria for players in the National Closed Championships are as follows:

- Affiliated to the ITTA and in good standing and
- Hold an Irish passport OR British passport from N.I. and/or
- Born on the island of Ireland and/or
- Hold proof of residence for 6 years or longer
- The onus is on the player to prove their eligibility to enter any event, if requested to do so by the Tournament Referee, at or before the event.

Format of Events: *(Subject to sufficient entry numbers)*

Senior singles events:

Groups to knockout (top two in each group advance to knockout). Top seeds in Men's singles (up to eight seeds) and Women's singles (up to four seeds) may be seeded directly into Knockout stage.

Junior events (U-19, U-15, U-13):

First round groups, top two advancing to knockout, remainder to Plate event. Where possible, subject to entry numbers, normal format of groups into groups into KO may apply in some events. Playoffs will take place where possible.

Boys' & Girls' U-19:

Depending on entry numbers, up to top four seeds may receive a bye to KO/2nd Round stage (at discretion of tournament referee).

- Players can only play in one event, the Restricted Singles or the Para events on Sunday.
- Groups/times will be posted on the website two days before the tournament.
- All players and coaches are advised to **check the Table Tennis Ireland website to confirm that all players are entered into the appropriate events.**

Joola Prime 3*** Plastic White Balls will be used at this event.

Tournament Regulations

1. No **late entries** will be accepted (as per Table Tennis Ireland policy).
2. No refunds will be paid out after entries are entered into the draw format.
3. Players may enter **only one event per day**. Maximum entry numbers may apply to different events. In the event of numbers being capped, the general rule of last in=first out will be applied, however, if necessary, certain events may also have entries restricted or rejected on the basis of ranking.
4. **Date of Birth required** for all age-restricted events.
5. No refunds for players who enter events for which they are not eligible: **please check your entry form carefully.**
6. All matches will be played according to the Rules and Regulations of Table Tennis Ireland and the I.T.T.F.

7. Competitors must be **affiliated** to Table Tennis Ireland. **An affiliation check will be carried out by Table Tennis Ireland prior to the event.**
8. Players will be scratched if not present and ready to play when called upon.
9. All competitors will be required to **Umpire**.
10. The draw will be **seeded** in all main events. **Byes** may be allocated in Senior Singles and in U-18 events as per Table Tennis Ireland regulations.
11. Matches will be **“Best-of-5”** (except early round Plate matches: “Best-of-3”)
12. Group standings as per I.T.T.F. Regulation 3.7.5 for group competition.
13. The decision of the **Referee** will be final on points of law and in all cases of dispute. The decision of the **Umpire** will be final on points of fact.
14. Due to the revised format, time between playing rounds will be condensed, and players should expect to play rounds in quick succession to each other.
15. **Under-13 designated Coach** to be named at Check-in.
16. In line with the TTI Data Protection Policy, which covers the use of photographic and video recording equipment at TTI events, permission for the use of such equipment must be sought from the Referee or Organising Committee. By entering this tournament, all participants accept that photographs or other recorded images (including live streaming) taken on behalf of TTI may be used in connection with the promotion of TTI events and activities, unless requested otherwise **in advance** by the participant, their parent / guardian or coach.
17. Doping control tests may take place, more information on doping available on our website: <https://tabletennisireland.ie/anti-doping/>.
18. Table Tennis Ireland including all its Branches, Leagues, Committees and others who are affiliated to Table Tennis Ireland reserves the right to cancel, postpone, discontinue or abandon any event or tournament at any time and for any reason whatsoever (hereinafter “an occurrence”). Where such an occurrence arises, the liability of Table Tennis Ireland shall be limited to a maximum of a refund of the entrance fees paid by the entrant. Table Tennis Ireland does not accept responsibility or liability for any associated and/or consequential losses (including, but not limited to travel or accommodation expenses), whether monetary or otherwise, incurred by the entrant. Table Tennis Ireland does not accept responsibility or liability in respect of any costs, expenses or other losses incurred by spectators, officials, coaches, members of the media or other attendees of any event or tournament.
19. COVID-19 restrictions, protocols and conditions will be in place if required on the day.
20. **Acceptance of these Regulations is itself a condition of entry**

COVID-19 Health Measures

- Participants who feel unwell, or who have, in the previous 48 hours, been ill/symptomatic, should not attend at the venue.
- Per HSE guidelines, generally persons are considered a close contact if they are 15 minutes or more within the vicinity of an infected person, and within two meters of them.
- All participants should have their own hand sanitizer and follow appropriate hygiene protocols in the venue.
- Players should avoid touching the table surface; however, players may now use their towel every 6 points.
- Participants must sneeze or cough into their elbow, not into their hands or in an unguarded way. Used tissues should be binned or flushed immediately, and hands washed.
- Spitting on the ground, floor, hands or into bins is prohibited. Spitting should only be done, in a guarded manner, in a sink or toilet.

- Any suspected case which presents at the event will be addressed in accordance with the TTI RTP Protocols.
- Additional COVID-19 health measures may be applied in the event of updated or revised guidance for the sector. In the event of full or part cancellation or deferral of events, full refunds of entries fees will be available.