

TAP JAPAN OPEN 2025
Competition method notation
English

Rules for Singles match

<PST-1>

Qualifying round: It is a block league match with 3 players in each group . The match format is 8 Game Pro-set match .

Main round: The top 1st and 2nd place winners from each qualifying block league will play in the main round . All 3rd place participants will play in the consolation . The format of the main round is the best of 3 sets match (in case the set count is 1-1, the third set will be a 10-point match tiebreak) . The consolation matches will be 8 Game Pro -set match .

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Qualifying round: It is a block league match with 4 players in each group . The match format is 8 Game Pro Set match .

Main round: The top 1st and 2nd place winners from each qualifying block league will play in the main round . All 3rd and 4th place participants will play in the consolation . The format of the main round is the best of 3 sets match (in case the set count is 1-1, the third set will be a 10-point match tiebreak) . The consolation matches will be 8 Game Pro -set match .

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Qualifying round: It is a block league match with 3 players in each group . The match format is 8 Game Pro-set match .

Main round: The top 1st and 2nd place winners from each qualifying block league will play in the main round . All 3rd place participants will play in the consolation. The format of the main round is the best of 3 sets match (in case the set count is 1-1, the third set will be a 10-point match tiebreak). The consolation matches will be 8 Game Pro -set match.

<PST-4>

Qualifying round: None

Main round: It is a league match with 3 players . The format of the main round is the best of 3 sets match (in case the set count is 1-1, the third set will be a 10-point super tiebreak) . As it is a league match format , there will be no consolation matches .

<PST-5>

Qualifying round: None

Main round: It is a league match with 5 players. The format of the main round is 8 Game Pro-set match . As it is a league match format , there will be no consolation matches .

***What is the 8 Game Pro-set match “**

The 8 Game Pro -set match is the player wins the game by taking 8 games with two-game differences . If the game count reaches 7-7, two more games are played to determine the winner at 9-7 . If the game count reaches 8-8, a 7-point tiebreak is applied next . If the score reaches 6-6, the tiebreak continues until taking 2-point difference.

Rules for Doubles match

<PST-1+2 mix>

Qualifying round: Numbers 1 and 2, 3 and 4, and 5 and 6 will each draw lots to determine their block. It is a block league match with 3 pairs in 1 group . The match format is 6 Game Pro-set match .

Main round: A draw will be conducted based on the results of the qualifiers to determine the matchups . The match format is 6 Game Pro-set match for both the main round and the consolation . Only the final match of the main round is 8 Game Pro-set match . If the seeded pair loses game in the first round, they will not play in the consolation .

<PST-3+4+5 mix>

Qualifying round: It is a block league match with 3 pairs in 1 group . The match format is 6 Game Pro-set match .

Main round: A draw will be conducted based on the results of the qualifiers to determine the matchups . The match format is 6 Game Pro-set match for both the main round and the consolation . Only the final match of the main round is 8 Game Pro-set match . If the seeded pair loses game in the first round, they will not play in the consolation .

***What is the 6 Game Pro- set match”**

The 6 Game Pro-set match is the player wins the game by taking 6 games with two game differences . If the game count reaches 5-5 , two more games are played to determine the winner at 7-5 . If the game count reaches 6-6 , a 7-point tiebreak is applied next . If the score reaches 6-6, the tiebreak continues until taking 2-point difference .

Judging Method

Self-judging is applied. The server should announce the score in a voice that the receiver can hear before serving . If the players cannot distinguish whether the ball is in or out in their own court , they should make a judgment in favor of the opponent . Judging calls should be made promptly using a voice that the opponent can hear and hand signals that the opponent can see . For players who have difficulty with self-judging or calling points due to disabilities (such as vision impairment or hearing loss), line judge assistance or point call assistance may be provided to ensure a fair match .

Notes

- The match will proceed with the order of play posted on the bulletin board in front of the competition headquarters (Tournament Desk) .
- If called by the competition headquarters before the match , both players must go to the headquarters to receive the scorecard and the ball .
- At the start of the match , wait in the designated court for the competition staff to arrive . When the staff arrives at the court , player will hand over the scorecard to the staff . The staff will look at the scorecard , confirm the players , toss a coin , and specify the match method and the color of the letters on the court-side scoreboard.. After that , a 5-minute practice will take place before starting the match . Do not practice before the staff arrives .
- If delayed by more than 10 minutes after the match starts , the match will be considered forfeited .
- No breaks are allowed during the end change after the first game and during the tiebreak .
- After the match , record the score on the scorecard , and both players must sign to confirm . The winner will take the scorecard and ball to the competition headquarters .
- MTO (medical timeout) is basically one per body part per match, within 3 minutes, but may be extended if approved by the Competition Headquarters.
- MT (medical treatment) is basically within 90 seconds before a change of ends or 120 seconds before a set break, but may be extended if approved by the Competition Headquarters.
- If any trouble occurs during the match, be sure to call a competition headquarters staff member and have them deal with the matter.
- Do not allow people outside the court to interfere with your self-judging.
- Additionally , to ensure a smooth progression of the match , please follow the instructions of the competition staff .

Meals and Water Supply

The event organizers will provide lunch for the players and staff . It will be distributed at the designated location with the announced time . If you have dietary restrictions due to health reasons , please prepare your own meals . There will be no designated break for lunch , so everyone should eat during your own available time . Please sort and dispose of waste in the designated areas .