

TABLE TENNIS INTRAMURAL TOURNAMENT – FALL 2026

REGULATIONS

1. Tournament Categories

The tournament is open to all members of the university community:

- **Students**
- **Staff**
- **Faculty**

Categories:

- **Men's Singles**
- **Women's Singles**

The tournament will take place at **Guarini Court**.

2. Registration

To participate, players must complete:

- Athletic membership requirements
- Medical certificate requirements
- Tournament registration

Registration fee: **€5 cash payment at the Athletics Office by September 15th.**

3. Tournament Format

Qualification Phase

- Players will be divided into groups of **3 or 4 players**.
- Each player must play all matches within their group.
- Each scheduled match must be completed within the assigned **one-week time window**.
- The qualification phase will last **3 weeks**.
- The best players from each group will qualify for the playoffs.

Playoffs

- Playoffs will be played as **direct elimination matches**.

- Quarter-finals, semi-finals and finals will determine the final rankings.

4. Match Rules

All matches are played:

- **Best of 3 sets**
- Each set is played up to **11 points**
- A player must win by **2 points** (advantages apply)

Service Rules

- Players change service every **2 points**
- Service direction is free (the ball does not have to be served diagonally)

5. Self-Officiating System

Matches are **self-officiated**.

Players are responsible for:

- Counting points
- Respecting the rules
- Managing the match fairly
- Reporting the final result

After each match, both players must send via WhatsApp:

- Final score
- A selfie of both players after the match

Results must be sent to:

+39 345 177 1180

6. Match Organization

The tournament is organized with weekly time windows.

For each scheduled round:

- Players have **one week** to complete the match.
- Within **48 hours** from the beginning of the round, players must contact each other and agree on:

- Day
- Time
- Location

Players are encouraged to organize matches as early as possible.

7. Missed Matches and Deadlines

If a match is not completed within the assigned time window:

Case 1 – No communication from either player

→ **0 points for both players**

Case 2 – One player does not reply or does not cooperate in organizing the match

→ The available player receives a **walkover victory**

Case 3 – Both players tried to organize the match but could not complete it

(including weather issues or court availability problems)

→ The match is recorded as a **draw**

8. Group Ranking System

Points are awarded as follows:

- **Played win:** 2 points
- **Played loss:** 1 point
- **Walkover win:** 2 points
- **Walkover loss:** 0 points
- **No-show / no organization:** 0 points
- **Draw:** 1 point each

Ranking criteria:

1. Total points
2. Head-to-head result
3. Set difference
4. Point difference
5. Organizer decision if still tied

9. Communication

An official WhatsApp group:

“Table Tennis Intramural”

will be used for:

- Official announcements
- Match organization
- Tournament communication

10. Tournament Schedule

Qualification Phase

Start: **Monday, September 14st**

End: **Friday, October 16th**

Playoffs

Quarter-finals start:

Monday, October 19th

The following weeks will be used for:

- Quarter-finals
- Semi-finals
- Final preparation

Finals Week

Start:

Monday, November 16th – Location TBD

Final matches:

- Men's 1st–2nd place
- Men's 3rd–4th place
- Women's 1st–2nd place
- Women's 3rd–4th place

Award ceremony by:

Thursday, November 20th

11. Weather Conditions

In case of rain or court unavailability:

- Players must still organize and complete the match within the assigned deadline.
- If the match cannot be completed within the deadline, it will be recorded as a **draw**.

12. Tournament Updates

The official tournament standings will be published on:

gladiators.johncabot.edu

The website will include:

- Player lists
- Match results
- Rankings
- Scores

13. Fair Play

The tournament is based on respect, fair competition and self-management.

Players are expected to:

- Respect opponents
- Follow the rules
- Report results honestly

13. Prize

1. First place – professional table tennis paddle
2. Official JCU uniform
3. Gladiators Hoodie

Good luck and enjoy the tournament!