



TABLE TENNIS
CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

TTCLM OFFICIAL MATCH PROTOCOL

EDITION 2017/2018

The Official Match Protocol is part of the Regulations for the Table Tennis Champions League Men

The home teams are the organizers of their home matches. Therefore, the organizers are responsible for the preparation and smooth running of all their home matches. Consequently, they are also responsible for the application of the Official Match Protocol. Each participating club is responsible for delivering all elements of this Official Match Protocol (monitored by the ETTU).

Please find below the Official Match Protocol with all its elements and a detailed description.

Introduction

Playing schedule

Matches shall start on the fixed time, not before and not later. The home club has to ensure that the presentation (of the club, players) finishes before so that no delay occurs. This is important for televised and streamed matches.

General Information

Stadium Announcer: The announcer is not allowed to interrupt the game through the use of the microphone unless there is an emergency. Announcements or comments shall be made when the match is over respectively interrupted, such as timeouts, breaks, pre-game, half-time and post-game.

Legend

t= Start time of the match

*= Instructions marked with an asterisk only need to be implemented if a title sponsor is found

Please check especially items **5)** and **6)** – the standing positions will be adapted from the new ITTF standard (like for World Tour matches).



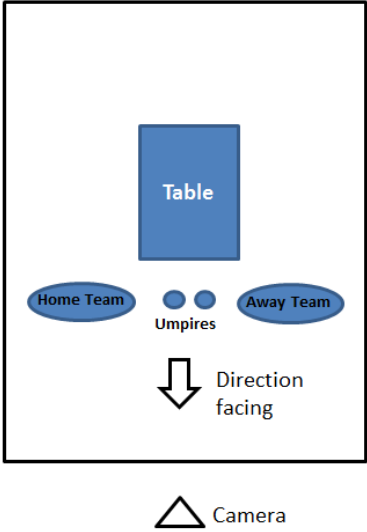
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<u>Item</u>	<u>Time (in min)</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Duration</u>	<u>On court description</u>	<u>Stadium Announcer</u>
1) Day before Match-Day	As agreed with the home team	Practice	2 hours	Shall be arranged for the visiting team the day/evening before the match. Playing conditions shall be the same as well as on match day – conditions for the away team must be similar to the conditions for the home team	
2) Pre-Match Routine	t – 120 until t – 20 t – 30 fixtures must be sent to video@unas.tv / fixtures@sportradar.com / ttcl@thesportsman.de	Practice	100 min	Players have enough time to get prepared for the match	
3) Pre-Match Routine	t – 20 until t – 15	Welcoming	5 min	No players are on the court anymore	<u>Proposal</u> The stadium announcer should: - Welcome the supporters to the (*Name of Title Sponsor)-Table Tennis Champions League match - Mention some facts about both teams - Mention that all TTCLM matches can be watched online on ETTU.tv - *Play the jingle of the title sponsor

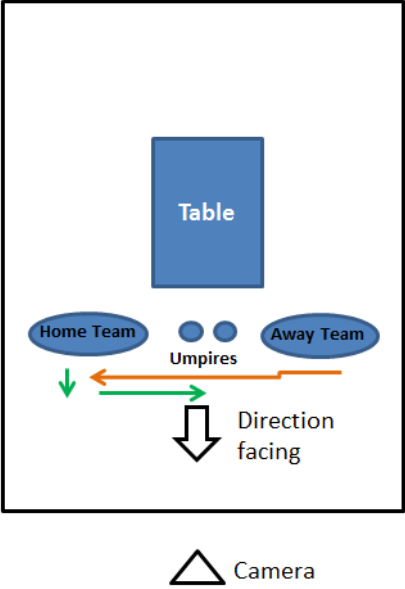
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<p>4) Pre-Match Routine</p>	<p>t – 15 until t – 14</p>	<p>Announcements</p>	<p>1 min</p>	<p>Umpires and Teams are ready to enter the court</p>	<p><u>Proposal</u> The stadium announcer should: - Welcome the two opposing teams “Name Away Team” & “Name Home Team” - Provision of information about the teams/team presentation</p>
<p>5) Pre-Match Routine</p>	<p>t – 14 until t – 10</p>	<p>Team presentation on the court</p>	<p>4 min</p>	<p>1. Umpires enter the court while the speaker announces them by name (both together) 2. Teams enter the court after each other while the speaker announces the players name by name (Player after player) - Away team players first, Home team players second - Umpires and Teams are facing Main Camera</p>	<p>The speaker announces the umpires and the names of all players & coaches - 1. Umpires (will stand in the middle) - 2. Away Coach + Team (coach and every player will be announced by name) - 3. Home Coach + Team (coach and every player will be announced by name)</p>

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				 <p>The diagram shows a top-down view of the match area. At the top is a blue rectangle labeled 'Table'. Below it are two blue ovals labeled 'Home Team' and 'Away Team', with two small blue circles labeled 'Umpires' between them. A downward-pointing arrow is labeled 'Direction facing'. Below the arrow is a triangle labeled 'Camera'.</p>	
<p>6) Pre-Match Routine</p>	<p>t – 10 until t – 5</p>	<p>National Anthems</p>	<p>5 min</p>	<p>National Anthems 1. Away Team first 2. Home Team second</p>	<p>Announcement of the national anthems: <u>Proposal</u> Ladies and Gentleman, we ask you to raise your attention for the National Anthem of XX and XX.</p>

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<p>7) Pre-Match Routine</p>	<p>t – 5 until t – 4</p>	<p>Hand shake</p>	<p>1 min</p>	<p>Handshakes between players and umpires 1. Away team goes to Umpires and then to Home team for hand shake (orange arrow)</p>  <p>2. Home team goes to Umpires for hand shake (green arrow)</p>	
<p>8) Pre-Match Routine</p>	<p>t – 4</p>	<p>Equipment check</p>	<p>1 min</p>	<p>Umpires check tension of the net as well as the rackets Official toss to decide who is serving first</p>	
<p>9) Pre-Match Routine</p>	<p>t – 3 until t</p>	<p>Warm-up</p>	<p>1 min – 2 min</p>	<p>Warm-up with the opponent (A1 vs. B2)</p>	

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10) Match start	t = match start	Match start	First rally of the match starts (A1 vs. B2)	The speaker announces the start of the match
11) End of Match and Pre-Match Routine	End of 1 st individual match Start of 2 nd individual match	Maximum 5 minutes	<p>There shall be no delay between the end of the 1st individual match and the start of the 2nd individual match! Not more than 5 minutes: Including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Warm-up of the Players (A2 & B1) - Stadium announcer mentions background information about the players (A2 & B1) - Handshakes between players and umpires (A2 & B1) - Umpires equipment check - *Time to mention the TTCLM title sponsor and further club sponsors and play the jingle/audio spot of the TTCLM title sponsor - Speaker announces the start of the match (A2 & B1) 	
12) End of Match and Pre-Match Routine	End of 2 nd individual match Start of 3 rd individual match	Maximum 15 minutes	<p>Between the end of the 2nd individual match and the start of the 3rd individual match, there shall be a maximum break of 15 minutes. Including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Warm-up of the Players (A3 & B3) - Stadium announcer mentions background information about the players (A3 & B3) - Handshakes between players and umpires (A3 & B3) - Umpires Equipment check - *Time to mention the TTCLM title sponsor and further club sponsors and play the jingle/audio spot of the TTCLM title sponsor - Speaker announces the start of the match (A3 & B3) 	
13) End of Match and Pre-Match Routine	End of 3 rd individual match Start of 4 th individual match	Maximum 5 minutes	<p>There shall be no delay between the end of the 3rd individual match and the start of the 4th individual match! Not more than 5 minutes: Including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Warm-up of the Players (A1 & B1) - Stadium announcer mentions background information about the players (A1 & B1)Handshakes between players and umpires (A1 & B1) - Umpires Equipment check - *Time to mention the TTCLM title sponsor and further club sponsors and play the jingle/audio spot of the TTCLM title sponsor - Speaker announces the start of the match (A2 & B1) 	

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14) End of Match and Pre-Match Routine	<p>End of 4th individual match</p> <p>Start of 5th individual match</p>	Maximum 5 minutes	<p>There shall be no delay between the end of the 4th individual match and the start of the 5th individual match! Not more than 5 minutes:</p> <p>Including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Warm-up of the Players (A2 & B2) - Stadium announcer mentions background information about the players (A2 & B2) - Handshakes between players and umpires (A2 & B2) - Umpires Equipment check - Time to mention the TTCLM title sponsor and further club sponsors and play the jingle/audio spot of the TTCLM title sponsor - Speaker announces the start of the match (A2 & B1)
15) End of Match			<p>Celebration of the winning team.</p> <p>Stadium announcer could:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - mention that the away match of the home team can be watched live on ETTU.tv - mention the date and time of the next away/home match