



# TABLE TENNIS RULES (PING PONG)

**OBJECT OF THE GAME.** Ping Pong is played over a pre-agreed number of games and the first to earn 11 points wins each game.

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## STARTING THE GAME

The toss of a coin or another form of lot-drawing determines which of the players shall serve first.

## GAMEPLAY

Each table tennis player serves twice in turn and serves must be made from an open palm, the ball tossed six inches then struck so it bounces on the service side, clears the net, then bounces on the receiver's side.

## SCORING

Points are decided as described above and games must be won by two clear points. At 10-10, each player serves once only, in turn, until one player establishes a two-point lead and wins the game.

After each game, the players rotate both the end of the table from which they are playing as well as who serves and receives the ball first.

In the deciding game of a match, the players swap ends after either player reaches five points.