

## PINGPOD KIDS TOURNAMENT (USATT-sanctioned)

NO	EVENTS	FORMAT	DAY	TIME	FEE	1st	2nd	3rd	LIMIT
1	Podsters (Age 17 & below, All gender)	RR/SE	SAT	11AM	\$40	T	T	M	20
2	Podlings (Age 13 & below, All gender)	RR/SE	SAT	2PM	\$40	T	T	M	20

**RATING CUT OFF:** December 30, 2023

**DATE:** January 13, 2024

**LOCATION:** [Astoria PingPod](#)

**STAR LEVEL:** 0

RR = Round Robin

SE = Single Elimination

M=Gold, Silver

**CHECK-IN:** 15 minutes before the event

**HOST:** PINGPOD

**COMMITTEE:** PINGPOD

**REFEREE:** Jon Ebuén (Club Umpire)

**DEADLINE:** 1-11-2024

**FORMAT: RR/SE:** Players will be assigned to a Round Robin (RR) group of 3-5 players. The top 1-2 players from each (RR) group will advance and compete in the play-off Singles

Elimination (SE) stage. **All matches are 3 out of 5 games.**

**RATINGS:** Latest USATT rating

**ELIGIBILITY: Sanctioned.** This tournament is open to all kids 17 years & under as of December 31, 2024, for Podsters. 13 years & under as of December 31, 2023, for Podlings. Unrated players can participate in the RR stage but cannot advance to the SE stage. However, unrated players may come in 30 min before the start of the event to be evaluated by coaches/Pros to receive an estimated rating so they will be eligible to advance into SE.

**DEFAULT POLICY:** All entries must include full payment to be included in the draw(s). All ITTF/USATT regulations apply.

**The tournament committee reserves the right to cancel any event if there are insufficient entries.**

**DRESS CODE:** Must abide by the USATT dress code: Shorts, sweatpants, and leggings are allowed. Sneakers ONLY. No white shirts.

**REGISTRATION:**

**Online:** [www.pingpod.com](http://www.pingpod.com)

**E-Mail:** [kids@pingpod.com](mailto:kids@pingpod.com)

I understand USATT's Safe Sport Policy including the organization Coaching Policy, which requires that all persons who are engaged in coaching activities at USATT Affiliated Member Clubs and/or USATT Sanctioned Tournaments, except parents or legal guardians coaching their children, must be fully Safe Sport Compliant, which includes completing SafeSport Training offered by the US Center for SafeSport every year and undergoing a criminal background screen every two years.

I understand that under USATT's Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy, all participants at USATT Sanctioned Tournaments who are over the age of 18 and have **regular contact with or authority over** minor athletes must complete annual SafeSport Training offered by the US Center for SafeSport.

For USATT's MAAP Policy, "regular contact with" is defined as: "ongoing interactions during 12 months wherein an Adult Participant in a role of direct and active engagement with any Minor Athlete(s)"; and "authority over" is defined as: "when one person's position over another person is such that, based on the totality of the circumstances, they have the power or right to direct, control, give orders to, or make decisions for that person. "

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