Army Table Tennis Association (ATTA)
Army North Sport
Catterick Garrison Leisure Centre
1 Gough Road, Catterick Garrison, DL9 3EL

See Distribution

October 2026

Administrative Instruction – UK North Army Table Tennis League and Knockout Competition

1. In conjunction with the Army Table Tennis Association and Army Sport North, the second annual Northen competition will be held on Wednesday November 18th, 2026, at Catterick Garrison Sport Centre. This will be a league competition in the afternoon, followed by a knockout round to complete proceedings. To ensure the highest standard of match ups can be completed please ensure all returns are completed in a prompt manner.

2. Depending on the number of entries and space allowance, the league tournament will be finished by NLT 1600 with prize given being at 1615. Entries are invited from all serving Army personnel (Regulars & Reserves) who are from the northern units only. The competition will be a league pool format with then a knockout round to determine the overall female and male winners.

3. Army Sport North hosted the first Table Tennis competition for several years in 2025 and in line with the PD branch direction on sport in the North, this competition is a chance for returning and new Table Tennis SP to showcase their talents and sporting ability again for their units.

4. Details of this event will be posted on the Army Sport North Defence Connect HUB as well as the PD North Downrep. Please distribute through Unit leads, RAPTCI's and UFTO. See Annex B for QR code to enter for participation. See Annex A for competition rules.

5. Further details can be obtained from the Northern Secretary for Table Tennis – Sgt (SI) Thomas Hussell (see signature block below)

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Northern Secretary for Table Tennis
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Annexes:

A. Training & Competition Information for Participants + League competition.
B. Competition Rules & Guidance – 2026 Army Table Tennis HQ North.
C. QR code for entry.

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HQ North DownRep
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Action:

ATTA Committee Members
All Army Players - Via Team Captains and ATTA Secretary
All Unit RAPTCI's, UFTO, Table Tennis Unit leads

Information:

Army Sport North
HQ North

Annex A to
2026 North TT
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Training & Competition Information for Participants + League competition.

1. **General**. – UK North Army Table Tennis League and Knockout Competition will be held at the Catterick Garrison Sports Centre (CGSC) on Wednesday 18th November 2026.

2. **Eligibility**. Due to it being a Northen HQ sporting event under the Army Sport North (ASN) banner- only those from the Northern units are eligible to participate.

3. **Format of Matches**. The format used will depend upon the number of entries that are received. It is anticipated that there will be several league groups. The top half of players who qualify from the league group stages will go forward to the knockout rounds of the Plate and the bottom half of players on the group will move onto the Shield knockout rounds which will lead to Semi Finals followed by a Final for each event. People will self-highlight themselves by their skill level at registration to ensure there is fair groups during the qualifying groups. This is to ensure all competitors play as many matches as possible.

4. **Round Robin Competition.** There will be individual awards for 1st and 2nd place for both female and male in both the Plate and Shield. With there being the points awarded for unit placement. There will be no double partner competitions.

In the event of a tie the furthest unit in the competition will be the overall winner.

5. **Timings**. The outline timings:

   a. Wed 18th November 2026.

   - 1300 – All officials to arrive to set up Table Tennis at Catterick Garrison Leisure Centre
   - 1330 – **All competitors** to arrive for registration.
   - 1345 –. Opening Brief.
   - 1400 – Competition begins.
   - 1600 – Competition finishes.
   - 1615 – Prize giving

6. **Dress.** Individuals are encouraged to wear their Units PT outfit but any clothing that is sport related that is clean with indoor trainers a must.

7. **Sporting Equipment.** White plastic match balls will be provided for matches. Competitors can bring their own bats, but all equipment will be provided. Catterick Leisure Centre will provide the tables.

8. **Entry**. Those wishing to enter are to complete the QR code at Annex B. All entries to be NLT Tuesday 13th Nov 2026.

9. **Authority for Travel**. This letter provides the authority for travel when supported by your completed entry form. The rules relating to travelling at public expense are contained in 2019DIN10-025. Self-evidently, participants are expected to make the most efficient use of available transport including use of the military white fleet. Every effort is to be made to reduce costs by sharing transport whenever possible.

10. **Accommodation and Feeding**. The key details you required are listed below.

a. Players requiring accommodation are to arrange it for themselves but should be aware that limited-service transit accommodation is available within Piave lines. If you require accommodation for the event, please email the Garrison accommodation manager Biles, Andrew the email address is - Andrew.Biles102@mod.gov.uk , this needs to be done ASAP.

b. Brew amenities will be provided however for feeding it will be bringing your own or alternatively there is Subway, Tesco and Costas within a short 5-minute walk of Catterick Leisure Centre.

11. **Insurance**. All players are reminded of the need to have the details of your participation published on Unit Part 1 Orders to provide the necessary insurance cover.

12. **Parking**. Catterick leisure Centre have their own car parking facilities and however limited, there is a Tesco car park opposite.

13. **Administration.** Catterick Garrison Leisure Centre have shower and toilet facilities. All personal property is left at the individuals own risk.

14. **Discipline.** All participants are reminded that while on events they are representing their Units and the Army. Any action that fails the service test will be dealt with accordingly and may result in RTU from the competition.

15. **Medical.** Actions on minor injury is to present to Catterick Garrison staff who are first aid trained. Actions on Major injury is hard stop to all games, first aid provided and then to the hospital. Nearest hospital is Darlington Memorial Hospital which is located 17 miles away. All injuries to be submitted onto Mysafety app.

16. **Summary.** The UK Sport North Table Tennis competition will increase unit and inter-unit competitiveness and carry on Table Tennis as a sporting competition in the North. For any further questions or queries are to be directed to the secretary Thomas.hussell115@mod.gov.uk.

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Competition Rules & Guidance – 2025 North Spot Table Tennis Competition

1. Each Unit Team can have unlimited number of personnel enter on the day with there being a female and male tournament. If numbers for both genders are low, then combined tournament will be started but with individual prizes for Female and Male.

2. All matches will be a best of 3 games. A game is won by the first player to reach 11 points. If the score is tied at 10-10, the game continues until a player gains a lead of two points. A full rule debrief will be explained before the competition starts by the RAPTCI.

3. Every Team at registration is to list their players in ranking order with their best player listed at number 1 and their weakest player listed at number 3.

4. In the initial league round stage each member will face each other once to ensure fair scoring. It will be a point per each game won, for example if you win 2-1 you would get 2 points, and your opponent would get 1. That means it will be best of 3 games even if you win the first 2 games. During the knockouts same rules will apply.

5. Any queries / rule questions are to be reported at the time to the RAPTCI and all referees' decisions are final.

6. All matches (players & Unit's) should be actively supported, enjoyed, and conducted in a mutually respected sporting manner.

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ENTRY FORM

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Please see below QR code for the above event. All participants are welcome at any level of play. Please clearly highlight your level during
Please ensure that you provide a valid email address as this will be used to notify you of any changes.

Thomas.Hussell115@mod.gov.uk –
Sgt (SI) Hussell RAPTCI , Army North Table Tennis Secutary – if you require confirmation of your place email Thomas directly

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY COP Tuesday 18th November 26

Please return the Accommodation Booking Form to:
Andrew.Biles102@mod.gov.uk