

INDUCTION, WEEDOUT & RETENTION PROTOCOLS

TABLE TENNIS

Induction Process:

Total Khelo India Sanctioned Strength – 120

Table 1: Bifurcation of Khelo India Vacancies

Category	Boys	Girls	Total
Under – 11	5	5	10
Under – 13	12	12	24
Under – 15	14	14	28
Under – 17	12	12	24
Under – 19	12	12	24
Seniors	5	5	10
Total	60	60	120

Table 2: Rankings (as per TTFI) up to which an athlete may be inducted into a particular age category will be as follows.

Categories → Ranking ↓	U-11	U-13	U-15	U-17	U19	Seniors
Boys/Men's	Top-10	Top-20	Top-20	Top-20	Top-20	Top-10
Girls/Women's	Top-10	Top-20	Top-20	Top-20	Top-20	Top-10

Description Of Criteria

- 1) The maximum age limit for the selection of the players under the Khelo India Scheme will be 24 years.
- 2) Cut-off date for the selection will be recommended by the committee each year.
- 3) The selection of athletes for the Khelo India scheme will be based on the TTFI rankings based on cut-off date. The rankings (as given in **Table 2**) will be used to identify the top players in each age group.
- 4) Based on the rankings in Table 2, the highest-ranked players will be given preference for induction into the available positions shown in Table 1.
- 5) In the case of Multiple Age Group Selection, where a player is ranked and selected in two age groups, the player will be chosen for the higher age group and the next highest-ranked player in the lower age group (as given in **Table 2**) will be chosen to fill the spot left vacant.
- 6) In case no suitable talent is found in a particular age category as per Table 2. The remaining number of seats from that specific age group may be filled from any age category as per TIDC recommendations.
- 7) In cases, where multiple athletes have the same ranking and points as per the TTFI ranking, preference will be given to the younger athlete for retention or induction into the Scheme.
- 8) In exceptional cases:
 - TIDC can readjust & induct 10% of strength preferably in lower age groups from TTFI, & WTT rankings.
 - TIDC can induct athletes above 24 years of age in exceptional cases.
 - Identification from Khelo India Youth Games: Finalists from each singles category shall be considered for support under the Khelo India Scheme. Further, for other categories

and Non-TTFI recognized tournaments such as Khelo India University Games, National Games, etc., TIDC may induct athletes based on the available vacancies and potential of the athlete.

Weed Out & Retention Process:

Table 3: Rankings to be considered for Retention & Weeding-out (Performing Same Age Category for 2nd Year).

Categories → Ranking ↓	U-11	U-13	U-15	U-17	U19	Seniors
Boys/Men's	Top-5	Top-12	Top-14	Top-12	Top-12	Top-5
Girls/Women's	Top-5	Top-12	Top-14	Top-12	Top-12	Top-5

1. Performance and Retention Policy:

- Cut-off date for the weeding-out will be recommended by the committee each year.
- The players performance will be reviewed periodically: If a player performing 2nd year in same Age category and his/her performance declines and their ranking falls below the ranking mentioned in **Table 3** in their selected age group, they may be removed from the Khelo India Scheme. Unless exceptional cases such as accidents or injuries
- A player may be weeded out irrespective of the year of induction, if a player stops playing, disciplinary issues, doping, etc.
- If a player advances to the next higher age category during the tenure of the scheme, they will be given at least 1 year to demonstrate their performance in the higher age category for weeding out purposes. During the transitional year the athlete may be retained only if he/she achieves a minimum rank (as per TTFI ranking) specified in **Table 4**.

Table 4: Rankings to be considered for Retention & Weeding-out (During Higher age category transitional year).

Categories → Ranking ↓	U-13	U-15	U-17	U19	Seniors
Boys/Men's	Top-30	Top-30	Top-30	Top-30	Top-15
Girls/Women's	Top-30	Top-30	Top-30	Top-30	Top-15

- In cases, where multiple athletes have the same ranking and points as per the TTFI ranking, preference for retention will be given to the younger athlete for retention into the Scheme.
- Athletes are required to attend two assessment camps each financial year. If an athlete fails to attend both camps, they will be removed from the Khelo India scheme after a recommendation from the TIDC.

Note: The same process applies to the induction, weeding out, and retention of NCOE athletes. Priority is given to top-ranked athletes, while also keeping open selection trials to identify potential talent, as recommended by the TIDC members.