



TABLE TENNIS

History of Table Tennis at the Olympic Games

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Barcelona 1992
Table tennis (M)



Athens 2004
Table tennis (M)



London 2012
Table tennis (W)



Rio 2016
Table tennis (W)

INTRODUCTION

Table tennis made its Olympic debut at the Games of the XXIV Olympiad in Seoul in 1988. Two men's and two women's events were included at that time and the number of events remains unchanged. The last innovation is the mixed doubles which features on the programme of the Games of the XXXII Olympiad in Tokyo in 2020.

KEY STAGES

Entry	1981: At the 84 th IOC Session held in September and October in Baden-Baden, it was decided to add table tennis to the programme of the Games of the XXIV Olympiad in Seoul in 1988.
Team events	2005: At the IOC Executive Board meeting held in October in Lausanne, the request by the International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF) to replace the doubles events with team events for the Games of the XXIX Olympiad in Beijing in 2008 was accepted.
Mixed doubles	2017: A decision was taken during the IOC Executive Board meeting held in Lausanne in June to include a mixed doubles event at Tokyo in 2020.

EVOLUTION IN THE NUMBER OF EVENTS

1988-2016: 4 events (2 men's and 2 women's)

2020: 5 events (2 men's, 2 women's, 1 mixed)

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