



# TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION OF MALAYSIA

## DIRECTIVE ON

### EVALUATION OF UMPIRES

(1<sup>st</sup> Issued: 11 January 2011)

(Revision 2: 07 January 2012)

#### Introduction

As with most sports, the passing of an examination is only the first step to becoming a competent technical official. The next step would be the acquiring and correct application of that knowledge in practical terms. It is no different for Umpires in Table Tennis, and hence the TTAM URC (NURC) has reviewed past practices and has come up with a formal system of evaluation for all umpires.

#### Policy

1. All umpires shall be subject to evaluation.
2. An SU in Progress (SUP) must obtain a minimum of 3 PASSES (2 singles and 1 doubles) from at least one Evaluator in order to be a confirmed SU and be awarded a certificate. Should a SUP fail to achieve this within 24 months of having passed the SU written examination, the result of that written exam shall be deemed null and void.
3. An NU in Progress (NUP) must obtain a minimum of 4 PASSES (2 singles and 2 doubles) in total, from at least two Evaluators in order to be a confirmed NU and be awarded a certificate. Should a NUP fail to achieve this within 24 months of having passed the NU written examination, the result of that written exam shall be deemed null and void.
4. Any NU or IU registered with the NURC may evaluate a SUP candidate or SU.
5. Any IU registered with the NURC as an Evaluator may evaluate a NUP candidate or NU.
6. SUPs and NUPs may be evaluated in any competition sanctioned by the TTAM or any of its affiliates, or MSSM sanctioned competitions.
7. The onus to ensure that one is evaluated rests with the individual umpire.

#### Procedure

It is recommended that umpires requiring evaluation print and have with them blank copies of the '[20120107\\_Umpire\\_TTAM Evaluation Form.xls](#)' whenever they are officiating in a sanctioned competition. The said umpire should then communicate with any approved Evaluator present with regards the need to be evaluated.

Evaluators are required to diligently and judiciously conduct the evaluation and return the form as per the instruction in the form. (If it is more convenient, the evaluator may scan and email the scanned copy).

State Associations should consider it part of their responsibility to ensure their umpires are evaluated in time, and to assist them by providing them the opportunity and the means to be evaluated.

#### Interim Measure

It is recognized that there could be SUPs and NUPs who may have passed the written exam less than 24 months ago. For those in this situation, the 24-month period will end 21<sup>st</sup> May 2013.

**Cyril Sen**

Chairman

TTAM URC