

Tyrvika season table

Instructions for organizers.

Tyrvika is a season table for fixed pickleball pairs, built as an ordinary Google Sheets spreadsheet. It holds up to 16 teams and up to 120 fixtures that you enter yourself. It records results, keeps postponed and cancelled fixtures out of the table, ranks teams by one published tie-break order, and prints a match day sheet.

It contains no Apps Script and no macros. Everything you see is a formula you can read and check.

What it does not do

- It does not build a schedule. You decide who plays whom, and type the fixtures in.
- It does not manage courts, partner rotations, sign-ups or ratings.
- It is not a live scoring app. Enter results after a match.
- It is not designed for Excel. It is written for Google Sheets.

Before you start

You need a Google account and about twenty minutes. Decide two things first:

1. How you record a score. A match takes one score per team, for example 11 and 6. Whether that is one game, the total of three games or games won is up to you, as long as you stay consistent all season.
2. That you accept the tie-break order below, or that you will publish tied teams as sharing a place.

Make your own copy

1. Open Tyrvika.xlsx in Google Drive: New > File upload, then double-click the uploaded file and choose Open with > Google Sheets. Sheets converts it and saves a new spreadsheet.
2. Alternatively, from an open Google Sheet use File > Import > Upload, select the file and choose Replace spreadsheet.
3. Rename the spreadsheet to your season, for example Winter League 2026.
4. Check that File > Settings > Locale suits you and that dates appear as 2026-01-10. The template is written for English and ISO dates.
5. Keep the original file. If a formula is ever damaged, starting again from a clean copy is faster than repairing one.

Tyrvika-demo.xlsx is the same template with a finished synthetic season in it. Import that one first if you want to see the table working before you enter your own data.

The six sheets

Sheet	What it is for
Instructions	A short version of this document, inside the file.
Settings	Season name, printed title, allowed score range.
Teams	Your 16 team slots.
Matches	Your 120 fixture slots. This is where you work.
Standings	The table. Printable.
PrintDay	One day's fixtures, printable.

Green cells are yours to fill in. Grey cells are calculated: do not type over them. The Instructions sheet shows both

colours next to their names, and every colour in this workbook has a word beside it - nothing depends on seeing a hue.

Set up a season

Settings. Type the season name and the title you want at the top of printouts. Set the lowest and highest score a single match may record. The defaults, 0 and 99, are deliberately loose; if your matches are always first to 11, set the highest to something like 15 and the sheet will catch typing mistakes for you. Keep the lowest below the highest: the Check line underneath says so if you get them the wrong way round, which would otherwise flag every score you enter all season.

Teams. Type one fixed pair per row, next to the team ID that is already there. Leave Active as Yes. The In standings column tells you whether that row will appear in the table.

Use whatever name your players use: Anna & Petr, The Hawks, anything. Punctuation is safe, including * and ?. You can change a name at any time during the season and every sheet follows, because the formulas join on the team ID, never on the name.

If a pair withdraws mid-season, set Active to No. Their fixtures are then flagged and excluded. Decide and announce what you do with results they had already played; the template will not decide that for you.

Matches. For every fixture, type the date and the two team IDs. Leave Status as Scheduled. Fixture rows are pre-numbered 1 to 120; use as many as you need and leave the rest alone.

Never type a team name into the Matches sheet. Type the ID.

Run the season

- Played. Set Status to Played and type both scores.
 - Postponed or Cancelled. Set the status and leave the scores empty. Neither status scores anything, for either team.
 - Replayed later. Change the date on the original row and set it back to Played. Do not add a second row for the same pair, unless you deliberately run a double round and set Allow repeat fixtures to Yes on Settings.
- An empty fixture is never read as 0:0. Only a Played row with two valid scores counts towards anything.

The Issue column

Column H on the Matches sheet is your safety net. Empty means the row is fine. Any text means the row needs attention. Those rows are also tinted and set in bold, and a row you marked Postponed or Cancelled is greyed and italic - both still read correctly printed in black and white.

Only the first problem on a row is shown. Fix it, and the next one appears if there is one.

Most flagged rows are ignored by the standings. Three are not, because the score itself is sound and only the paperwork is wrong:

- Repeat fixture for this pair
- Date is not a real date
- Missing date

Those rows still count. Everything else that is flagged is left out of the table until you fix it.

Messages you may see:

Message	What to do
Missing match ID	Put the fixture number back in column A.

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Duplicate match ID	Two rows share a number. Renumber one.
Match ID must be a whole number	Retype the fixture number in column A.
Match ID is outside 1-120	Use a fixture number from 1 to 120.
Missing team ID	Fill in both team IDs.
Unknown team A / B	That ID has no row on the Teams sheet.
A team cannot play itself	Check the two IDs.
Team A / B has no name	Add the name on the Teams sheet.
Team A / B is not active	The pair is marked No on the Teams sheet.
Invalid status	Use the dropdown.
Played match needs both scores	Type both, or change the status.
Score must be a number / whole number	Remove text or decimals.
Score outside allowed range	Check the limits on Settings.
Played match cannot be a tie	A played match needs a winner.
Scores ignored: status is not Played	Expected on a cancelled row.
Repeat fixture for this pair	Intended? Set Allow repeat fixtures to Yes.
Date is not a real date	The cell holds text, or a date before 2000-01-01. Retype the date.
Missing date	Add the date the match was played.

If a status looks right but is still flagged, check for a stray space: the sheet matches Played exactly, ignoring capitals but not spaces. Re-pick the value from the dropdown to be sure.

Two other sheets check themselves the same way. On Teams, the Check column (E) says Duplicate team name when two rows hold the same name: rename one so the table can tell them apart. It says Active must be Yes or No when the Active cell holds anything else: pick the value from the dropdown. On Settings, the Check line under the score limits says Score limits must be whole numbers from 0 to 999, lowest not above highest until both limits are whole numbers in that range and the lowest is not above the highest.

How teams are ranked

Only valid Played matches count. For each team the sheet totals matches played, wins, losses, points scored and points conceded.

Teams are ordered by:

1. Match wins, highest first.
2. Point differential (points for minus points against), highest first.
3. Points scored, highest first.
4. Team ID, lowest first.

Step 4 is an administrative tie-break chosen by this template so the table always has a definite order. It is not an official league rule. Two teams that are equal on every sporting criterion are genuinely equal, and the sheet marks both of them with Tie resolved by team ID so you can see it happened.

Agree with your players before the season either that step 4 decides, or that you will publish such teams as sharing a place. Do not discover this during the last match of the season.

If your league uses head-to-head results as a tie-break, this template does not implement that, and adapting it is not a small change.

Printing

A match day. Open PrintDay, type the date in cell B3, then File > Print. Only fixtures on that exact date appear. Print before the session and your players can write scores on paper; type them in afterwards.

PrintDay has 20 lines. The line next to the date counts that day's fixtures. If there are more than 20, it adds only the first 20 fit this sheet; the rest stay on the Matches sheet. The first 20 in Matches order are printed. The others are not on the printout, so copy them by hand from the Matches sheet.

The Notes column on PrintDay belongs to the printed line, not to a fixture. Anything you type there stays on its line when you change the date, and then prints beside whichever fixture lands on that line. Clear Notes before you print another day.

The table. Open Standings and print. The print range stops above the calculation block, so the calculations never appear on the printout.

Both sheets are set to A4 with fit-to-width. For US Letter, pick Letter in the print dialog; the fit-to-width setting still applies. If a sheet still spills onto a second page, shorten your longest team name or reduce the scale in the print dialog.

Limits and honest warnings

- 16 teams and 120 fixtures are hard limits. The formulas cover exactly those rows. Do not insert rows past the end of a block; the totals will not follow.
- PrintDay prints at most 20 fixtures for one date. A busier day still counts in full on Standings; only the printout is short.
- Do not sort the Matches sheet, and do not sort the calculation block on the Standings sheet. Sorting the display part of Standings is pointless anyway, because it is already in rank order.
- Protecting a sheet in Google Sheets (Data > Protect sheets and ranges) is a guard rail, not security. Anyone who can edit your copy can still break a formula, and protection is not DRM. Keep the clean template file.
- This workbook has no connection to any other file. If Google Sheets ever offers to update external links, something is wrong. Use a fresh copy.
- Google Sheets recalculates automatically. If a number looks stale, check the Issue column first; a flagged row is the usual explanation.

If something looks wrong

1. Look at the Issue column on the Matches sheet and clear every flag.
2. On the Standings sheet, check the In table column in the calculation block. A team with 0 there has no name, or is set to Active = No.
3. Compare one team by hand: count its Played rows, add up its scores, and compare with its row in the calculation block.
4. If a formula has been overwritten, copy the cell from a clean copy of the template rather than retyping it.

Support

This is a spreadsheet template sold as-is. Expect answers to questions, reproduction of reported bugs and small compatible fixes. Do not expect urgent help during a match: a disputed place in the table needs your tie-break rule, agreed in advance, not a support reply. New features and rule variants are separate work.

Tyrvika is a working brand name.