



England players out of mixed doubles at Worlds

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The three England players competing at the World Junior Championships in France have been knocked out of the Mixed Doubles.

Maria Tsaptsinos, playing alongside New Zealander Kelsey Amor, was first in action in La Roche-Sur-Yon, but the pair were defeated 3-0 by a Polish duo in the preliminary round.

Helshan Weerasinghe & Tin-Tin Ho were seeded straight into the main draw and won their first match 3-0 against a French line-up to move into the last 32.

However, they were beaten 3-2 by the 13th seeds from Korea and exited the competition.

The singles qualifying groups begin tomorrow (Thursday). Helshan faces Victor Ma (NZL), Nikita Yarushin (RUS) and Santiago Tolosa (ARG) in the boys' singles. In the girls' event, Maria is up against Leticia Nakada (BRA) and Grace Yang (USA), while Tin-Tin's opponents are Amira Yousry (EGY) and Leonie Hartbrich (HUN).

Tin-Tin and Maria will be in the girls' doubles on Friday.

Results

Mixed doubles

Preliminary round

Kamil Nalepa & Pauline Knyszewska (POL) bt Kelsey Amor (NZL) & Maria Tsaptsinos 3-0 (11-6, 11-5, 13-11)

Round of 64

Helshan Weerasinghe & Tin-Tin Ho bt Leo De Nodrest & Romane Le Scour (FRA) 3-0 (12-10, 11-5, 11-8)

Round of 32

Jeongwoo Park & Dayeon Kang (KOR) bt Weerasinghe & Ho 3-2 (8-11, 11-9, 10-12, 11-2, 11-9)



Tin-Tin Ho & Helshan Weerasinghe in action in the mixed doubles (ITTF picture)

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