

# 2025 ITTF PARA TABLE TENNIS CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS



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# 1. CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS PARA TABLE TENNIS REGULATIONS

(to be read in conjunction with Chapter 3 and 4 of the ITTF Statutes)

# 1.1 Application:

1.1.1 The application for the Continental Para Championships should be submitted to ITTF from the Member Associations no later than the given deadline in the application form.

# 1.2 Sanction and participation fees:

- 1.2.1 A sanction fee of USD 1,000.00 must be paid at the time the application is submitted.
- 1.2.1 Participation fees of USD 50.00 per athlete must be paid on receipt of invoice.

#### 1.3 Site inspections:

- 1.3.1 After the Continental Para Championships have been awarded, up to two site inspections by a person/s nominated by the ITTF might take place.
- 1.3.2 The first inspection should take place after the ITTF decision.
- 1.3.3 The second inspection should take place at least 3 months before the competition.
- 1.3.4 The Organizers shall pay for the travel expenses, provide hospitality and a daily allowance of USD 50.00 per person during the period of the inspection.

# 1.4 Limit of entries:

- 1.4.1 Up to 3 players per class per Association may be entered.
- 1.4.2 More information is in section 2.6 Format of Play.

#### 1.5 Jury:

1.5.1 One ITTF representative, one referee and one person from the LOC with relevant expertise in technical matters will be the jury.

# 1.6 Medals:

- 1.6.1 Gold, silver and two bronze medals will be awarded in events with more than 5 players or pairs.
- 1.6.2 Gold, silver and one bronze medal will be awarded in events with 5 players or pairs.
- 1.6.3 Gold and silver medals will be awarded in events with 4 players or pairs.

#### 1.7 Technical requirements:

- 1.7.1 Minimum number of tables in the FOP depending on the continent.
- 1.7.1.1 For Oceania: a minimum of 6 tables
- 1.7.1.2 For Africa and America: a minimum of 10 tables
- 1.7.1.3 For Asia and Europe: a minimum of 14 tables
- 1.7.2 Minimum days of competition, depending on the continent.



- 1.7.2.1 For Oceania: a minimum of 3 days competition
- 1.7.2.1 For Africa: a minimum of 4 days competition
- 1.7.2.2 For America and Asia: a minimum of 5 days competition
- 1.7.2.3 For Asia: a minimum of 6 days competition
- 1.7.3 Approved ITTF floor in the FOP.
- 1.7.4 A warmup and training area near to FOP with a minimum of 2 multiplied by the tables in the FOP.
- 1.7.5 LOC must provide TV streaming in all tables

#### 2. INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS

(to be read in conjunction with Chapter 3 and 4 of the ITTF Statutes)

# 2.1 Sanction and participation fees:

2.1.1 Should an application be declined; the sanction fee will be refunded.

# 2.2 Appointment of technical officials:

- 2.2.1 Officials will be appointed by the ITTF as follows:
- 2.2.1.1 a CM and a deputy CM for competitions with 201 and more players or more than 1 playing hall;
- 2.2.1.2 two to five classifiers depending on the needs.
- 2.2.2 Officials (referees, umpires, and other officials) will be appointed according to the Directives for Match Officials at World Title Competitions and ITTF Sanctioned Events. Continental and international Para competitions are defined as ITTF Sanctioned Events in terms of those Directives.
- 2.2.2.1 Umpires:
- 2.2.2.1.1 the number of tables x 3 plus 4, of whom 75% may be from the Host Association and at least 25% from foreign Associations representing at least 3 Associations. 50% of the umpires must be International Umpires.
- 2.2.2.2 officials managers as necessary;
- 2.2.2.3 2 computer operators for the ITTF software.

# 2.3 Expenses for technical officials:

- 2.3.1 The Host Association shall cover the following costs for officials appointed by the by the ITTF (CMs, referees, classifiers and those specified in 2.2):
- 2.3.2 international economy class travel (including costs of getting to and from the airport of origin, visa and airport parking);
- 2.3.3 daily allowance of: USD 50.00 per day for the days the officials in 2.2.1.2
- 2.3.4 local travel costs for umpires;
- 2.3.5 Full hospitality for:
- 2.3.5.1 CMs: from dinner 3 days before the first day of competition to dinner on the day after the end of the competition;
- 2.3.5.2 Referees: dinner 2 days before the first day of competitions to breakfast on the day after the end of the competition.
- 2.3.5.3 Umpires: dinner 1 day before the first day of the competition to breakfast on the day after the end of the competition.

#### 2.4 Prospectus and entry forms:

- 2.4.1 Once the competition is confirmed, the Host Association shall submit the prospectus as well as other information to the ITTF for approval and publication on the website.
- 2.4.2 Entries:



- 2.4.2.1 Local Organizing Committee (LOC):
- 2.4.2.1.1 must not accept entries if they are not sent to the ITTF at the same time.
- 2.4.2.1.2 accept the final entries by name only if they are approved by the ITTF.
- 2.4.2.1.3 can never accept changes on the final entries without preliminary approval of ITTF.
- 2.4.2.1.4 must use the entries only for own needs (hospitality, payment, transportation etc.).
- 2.4.2.1.5 must manage the entries using only offline template documents or online software that ITTF authorizes.
- 2.4.2.1.6 must not accept entry after the publication of players list on ITTF-website.
- 2.4.2.1.7 must keep the player list confidential until publication on ITTF website.
- 2.4.2.1.8 must not accept any entry without Date of Birth.
- 2.4.2.2 The Participant Associations:
- 2.4.2.2.1 must send all entries to ITTF and to LOC. If ITTF does not receive the entry, this entry will not be approved.
- 2.4.2.2.2 For participation of new players in a tournament, the participant Association must firstly send a scanned copy of passport to ITTF together with player's personal details. Then the Association will receive an ID number for player from ITTF. This ID number will be used in the final entry.
- 2.4.2.2.3 Changes in the final entry are similar to a new entry and need to follow the procedure for entries by name.
- 2.4.2.2.4 Final entry must include the player Date of Birth, without it the entry will not be accepted.
- 2.4.2.2.5 must send the entries using only offline template documents or online software that ITTF authorizes.

#### 2.5 Events:

- 2.5.1 The events in competitions specified shall be:
- 2.5.1.1 class singles for men and women in classes 1 to 10, combined as necessary plus class 11;
- 2.5.1.2 doubles events for men and women.
- 2.5.1.3 mixed doubles events for men and women.
- 2.5.2 Single events will be organized if there are 4 or more players from two different Member Associations. Single events with less than 4 players or with only 1 Member Association must be combined.
- 2.5.3 Only doubles and mixed doubles events with 4 or more pairs will be played and events with less than 4 pairs must be combined.

#### 2.6 Format of play:

- 2.6.1 Singles events:
- 2.6.1.1 In Continental championships events:
- 2.6.1.1.1 Only 3 players per Association per class are allowed to enter;
- 2.6.1.1.1 if 2 classes are combined, there may be up to 4 players per Association with a maximum of 3 players from the same class;
- 2.6.1.1.1.2 if 3 classes are combined, there may be up to 5 players per
  - Association with a maximum of 3 players from the same class;
- 2.6.2 <u>In other events:</u>
- 2.6.2.1 When after the 1<sup>st</sup> entry by number events are combined due to low entries in one event and the combination gives an Association more than the number



- of players allowed in the combined event, LOC will inform that Association that only the number of competitors allowed per event may be entered and its entry for that event will be revised;
- 2.6.2.2 if a singles class 5 or 10 does not have 4 entries, the CM must combine this with the next lower class or with the next lower combination of classes to make a minimum of 4 entries;
- the first stage of the event will be played in round-robin groups and the second by knock-out; the number of players in a group shall be 4 where possible but there shall not otherwise be less than 3 and more than 5 players in a group and priority must be given to groups of 4 players. If there are 5 or less players the event will be played in a round-robin group only;
- 2.6.2.4 the numbers of groups will be decided by the referee in consultation with the CM:
- 2.6.2.5 if the number of groups in an event is not a multiple of 2, winners from the groups with the highest ranked seeded players shall have byes in the first round of the second stage, in seeding order;
- 2.6.2.6 the winner and the runner-up of each group will advance to the second stage which will be played as a knock-out;
- 2.6.2.7 a player may only play in the class indicated on his/her international classification card unless, due to the low number of players, his/her class is combined with the next class when he/she may play in the event for the next highest class.

# 2.7 Seeding:

2.7.1 For all competitions, the latest world ranking list published on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of each month or as soon as possible thereafter will be used for seeding.

#### 2.8 Draw:

2.8.1 For all competitions, the draw must be done by the Competition manager with the assistance of the referee, before the technical meeting.

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