



INTERNATIONAL TABLE TENNIS FEDERATION
PARA TABLE TENNIS DIVISION
SELECTION - GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Ranking lists to be used for

Selections: January 1st 2016

Seeding: September 1st, 2016

2. Slot allocations

Maximum slots allocated for the 2016 Paralympic Games: **276 slots**

Men: 174 players

Women: 102 players

Maximum medal events allocated for the 2016 Paralympic Games: **29 events**

**Please note that these are the maximum numbers of slots.
Single and team slots are included.**

Promotion of athletes with very severe disability: 25 % of the total number of slots.

Men: (25 % of 174 = 44 slots) - class 1 : 12
class 2 : 15
class 6 : 15 Total : 42 slots

Women: (25 % of 102 = 26 slots)- class 1-2 : 12
class 6 : 8
class 7 : 8 Total : 28 slots

2.1. Singles events

Minimum number of slots per event: 6 men – 6 women

Maximum number of slots per event: 24 men – 24 women

Men	
Class 1	12
Class 2	15
Class 3	24
Class 4	18
Class 5	15
Class 6	15
Class 7	15
Class 8	18
Class 9	15
Class 10	15
Class 11	12
Total	174

Women	
Class 1-2	12
Class 3	18
Class 4	12
Class 5	12
Class 6	8
Class 7	8
Class 8	8
Class 9	8
Class 10	8
Class 11	8
Total	102

2.2. Team events

Minimum number of slots per event: 6 men – 6 women

Maximum number of slots per event: 16 men – 16 women

These numbers and combinations may be adjusted after the singles selections and therefore are preliminary projections!

Men	
Class 1-2	8
Class 3	10
Class 4-5	12
Class 6-8	12
Class 9-10	12
Total	54

Women	
Class 1-3	8
Class 4-5	12
Class 6-10	12
Total	32

3. Distribution of slots by category

Regional slots: Men = 55 slots Women = 50 slots Total **105** slots

Ranking slots: Men = 99 slots Women = 41 slots Total **140** slots

Invitation slots: Men = 20 slots Women = 11 slots Total **31** slots

In single events, a maximum of 3 players per class and per country are allowed.

In team events, only 1 team per class and per country is allowed.

3.1 Regional slots

105 Gold winners in all singles events in each Region for Men and Women will automatically qualify

3.2 Ranking slots

140 slots will be used for selections from the ranking list for each event for Men and Women

3.3 Bipartite Invitation slots

31 Bipartite Commission Invitation qualification slots will be considered by the IPC on the recommendation of the ITTF Para TT Selection Committee.

3.4 To be eligible to slot allocation

Athletes have to have as a minimum requirement, an International Classification Card, current valid ranking points as of January 1st, 2016 and meet the requirements of the Tournament Credit System.

3.5 Tie for the last direct qualifying position by Ranking

In case of an exact tie for the last direct qualifying position by Ranking, reference will be made to the previous ITTF PTT Ranking List (December 1st) and the better-ranked athlete will qualify. If still tied, reference will be made to the previous ITTF PTT Ranking List (November 1st) and so on until the tie is broken.

4. Slots to be re-allocated

4.1 Regional Slot Re-allocation

In case an athlete or a NPC does not accept the selection of a Regional Gold Medal Winner or if a Regional Gold Medal Winner is disqualified for any reason, the Regional Silver Medal Winner will be selected instead.

Similarly if the Silver Medal Winner is rejected, the selection goes to the Bronze Medal Winner. In case there are 2 Bronze Medal Winners, the tie will be broken via the ranking list.

4.2 Ranking Slot Re-allocation

For each singles event a reserve list will be established with players who will be considered for re-allocation of unused slots. Each list consist of 10% of total event entries plus 3.

Example: 20 slots = (10% = 2) + 3 = 5 re-allocation slots (alternate slots).

The re-allocation players will be listed by ranking position and may be selected only if a player already selected is rejected by him/herself or by his or her National Paralympic Committee (NPC).

Consequently, if BEL rejects one selected player, this player's slot will be re-allocated to the first reserve player who may be from another country.

If more than 3 players from one country have qualified in an event, in order to be selected through the Region and/or Ranking, only the 3 first ranked players may be selected. The other players will be listed on the reserve list and may only be selected if their NPC rejects an already selected player.

If that player is the next reserve player, this reserve player may **not** become a fourth player from the same country.

Example:

- BEL has 5 selected players possible in M3
- Only the 3 best can be selected (Regional and/or Ranking)
- The 2 others may be considered and added to the reserve players list in order of ranking
- The Belgian reserve players cannot replace a player rejected from another country as there still remain 3 players as maximum per NPC

5. Tournament Credit System

World Championships and Paralympic Games are **NOT included** in the Tournament Credit System and only the tournaments factor 20 – 40 and the Regional Championships will be considered during a period starting on January 1st, 2014 and finishing on December 31st, 2015.

The Tournament Credit for the Paralympic Games 2016 are:

Africa and Oceania =	110 Tournament Credit points
America and Asia =	210 Tournament Credit points
Europe =	250 Tournament Credit points

The Tournament Credit system will be used to allocate a re-allocation position (reserve).

6. Comments

If Medal Winners are not selected because the Regional Championships were not organized, or an event did not have enough minimum entries, all those Regional slots will be converted into Ranking slots.

If in the Ranking category a player's selection is rejected by his/her NPC, the reserve player will be selected in order of ranking and must be confirmed by his/her NPC.

**The position on the reserve player's list will NEVER be a priority for the allocation of a Bipartite Invitation Slots.
This Bipartite Invitation Slots are at the discretion of the Selection Committee.**

7. Competition format for the Paralympic Games 2016

Single events: Priority will be given to groups of 3 players
The 2 top players qualify for the second stage

Examples: 12 players = 4 groups of 3 – 8 players proceed to the 1/4 finals
15 players = 5 groups of 3 - 10 players proceed to the 1/8 or 1/4 finals

24 players = 8 groups of 3 - 16 players proceed to the 1/8 finals

An exception will be when there are only 2 groups

8 players = 2 groups of 4 – 4 players proceed to the 1/2 finals

Team events: will be played in knockout system in each class organized

Examples: 8 teams = 4 x 1/4 finals, 2 x 1/2 finals, bronze + final
12 teams = 4 x 1/8 finals, 4 x 1/4 finals, 2 x 1/2 finals, bronze + final
16 teams = 8 x 1/8 finals, 4 x 1/4 finals, 2 x 1/2 finals, bronze + final

Playing system: each team can be composed of a maximum of 2 or 3 players.

The team event consists of 3 matches
The winner will be the team with 2 wins

First Match	Doubles*	
Second Match	Singles	A vs X
Third Match (if necessary)	Singles	B vs Y
*Doubles pairing can be any two team members		

8. Medals

Singles events: Gold - Silver – Bronze (play off for Bronze medal)

Team events: Gold –Silver – Bronze (play off for Bronze medal)
Medals will be awarded to each player in the team
No medal will be awarded to Coaches or Team Leaders

9. Deadlines

15 January 2016

by ITTF Para TT Selection Committee

Send out - selected player's names by Regional and Ranking slots to NPCs and team application form. Bipartite Invitation application form go through the IPC Online System.

15 February 2016

by National Paralympic Committees (NPCs)

Acceptance or rejection of allocated Regional and Ranking selections.
Return of the Team application form.

12 March 2016

by ITTF Para TT Selection Committee

Send out to NPCs:
- Confirmation of the selected players by Regional and Ranking selections.
- Proposed Bipartite Invitation selections
- Team competition format and selections.

26 March 2016

by NPCs

- Acceptance or rejection of all selections (Regional, Ranking, Invitation, Teams).

09 April 2016

by ITTF Para TT Selection Committee

Send out to the NPCs
- Confirmation of reallocation of unused Regional, Ranking, Bipartite Invitation slots.

23 April 2016

by NPCs

- Confirmation in writing to the ITTF acceptance of reallocated qualification slots and final compositions of the teams

27 May 2016

Deadline for Rio 2016 Organising Committee to receive accreditation application forms submitted by NPCs ("Accreditation Long List")

15 August 2016

Deadline for Rio 2016 Organising Committee to receive sport entry forms submitted by NPCs

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