

INTERNATIONAL TABLE TENNIS FEDERATION

PARA TABLE TENNIS

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WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS - SEPTEMBER 6 – 15, 2014

BEIJING - CHINA

SELECTION - GENERAL INFORMATION

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1. Rating lists to be used for

Selections : January 1st 2014

Seeding : September 1st, 2014

2. Slots allocations

Maximum number of slots allocated for the 2014 World Championships: 330 slots

Men :204 playersWomen :126 players

Please note that these are the maximum numbers of slots, single and team slots are included.

Promotion of the more severely disabled: 25 % of the total number of slots.

Men : (25 % of 204 = 51 slots)	-	class 1 : 18	
	-	class 2 : 18	
	-	class 6 : 18	Total : 54 slots

Women : (25 % of 126 =31 slots)

2.1. Singles events

Minimum number of slots per event: 8 men – 6 women Maximum number of slots per event: 24

Men		
Class 1	18	
Class 2	18	
Class 3	24	
Class 4	18	
Class 5	18	
Class 6	18	
Class 7	18	
Class 8	18	
Class 9	18	
Class 10	18	
Class 11	18	
Total	204	

Women		
Class 1	(6) 3	
Class 2 (1-2)	9 (12)	
Class 3	18	
Class 4	18	
Class 5	12	
Class 6	6	
Class 7	8	
Class 8	12	
Class 9	12	
Class 10	16	
Class 11	12	
Total	126 (129)	

2.2. Team events

Minimum number of slots by event:	Men: 6	Women: 4
Maximum number of slots by event:	Men : 16	Women: 16

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

Men		
Class 1	6	
Class 2	6	
Class 3	8	
Class 4	8	
Class 5	8	
Class 6	6	
Class 7	6	
Class 8	8	
Class 9	8	
Class 10	8	
Class 11	6	
Total	78	

Women		
Class 1-2	6	
Class 3	6	
Class 4-5	12	

Class 6-8	6
Class 9-10	6
Class 11	4
Total	40

3. Distribution of slots by category

Regional slots:	Men = 55 slots	Women = $50(55)$ slots	Total	105 (110) slots
Rating slots:	Men = 127 slots	Women = $63 (57)$ slots	Total	190 (184) slots
Invitation slots:	Men = 22 slots	Women = $13 (14)$ slots	Total	35 (36) slots

3.1 Regional slots

105 (110) Gold winners in all singles events in each Region for Men and Women will automatically qualify subject to confirmation by their national association.

3.2 <u>Rating slots</u>

190 (184) slots will be used for selections from the rating list for each event for Men and Women.

3.3 Invitation slots

35 (36) Invitation qualification slots will be considered by the ITTF on the recommendation of the ITTF Para TT Selection Committee.

3.4 To be eligible for selected

Athletes have to have, as a minimum requirement, an International Classification Card, current valid rating points as of January 1st, 2014 <u>and have to meet the requirements of the</u> <u>Tournament Credit System</u> announced at the end of 2012.

4. <u>Slots to be re-allocated</u>

A number equal to 10 % of the total entries + 5 slots shall be allocated to the re-allocation system.

Example: 18 slots - (10% = 2) + 5 = 7 re-allocation slots.

The reserve players will be listed by rating position and may be selected only if a player already selected is rejected by the player or by his or her National Association (NTTA).

Consequently, for example, if BEL rejects one selected player, this player's slot will be reallocated to the first reserve player who may be from another country!

If a country has more than 3 players in an event in order to be selected through the Region and/or Rating, only 3 rated players may be selected.

The NTTA will have the possibility to select its 3 players.

Example :	BEL has 5 selected players possible in M 3.
	Only 3 players can be selected (Regional and/or Rating) by BEL
	decision.
	The 2 others could be considered and added to the reserve players list
	in order of rating.
	The Belgian reserve players cannot replace a rejected player from
	another country (3 players as maximum!)

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 at the discretion of the Selection Officer !

The Tournament Credits for the World Championships 2014 are:

Europe : 150 points to be achieved between January 1st, 2013 and December 31st, 2013

Other Regions : 90 points to be achieved between January 1st, 2013 and December 31st, 2013

To be selected by Regional, Rating or Invitation allocation, a player **MUST participate at** minimum during 2013 at :

Europe: - factors 40 + 40 + 20 + 50 (RC) = 150 pts

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Other Regions : - factors

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- don't forget the additional 20 bonus points for each tournament in which players compete outside your Region
- Example : a player from Europe is eligible by Regional, Rating or Invitation and he or she has participate at 2 tournaments factor 40, 1 tournament 20 and the European Championships 50 - **the selection is possible**.
 - a player from Europe is eligible by Regional, Rating or Invitation and he or she has <u>not</u> participated in 2 tournaments factor 40, 1 tournament 20 and the European Championships 50 **the selection is NOT possible**.
 - same system will be used to allocate a re-allocation position (reserve).

The Division resolved that if class 11 players were entered for Fa 20, Fa 40 and Fa 50 events and if, after the first entry, there was an insufficient number of entries to ensure a viable event, this would still count towards the tournament credit for that player.

6. Comments

In case an athlete or a NTTA does not accept the selection of a Regional Gold Medal Winner or if a Regional Gold Medal Winner is disqualified for any reason (including an anti-doping rule infraction), the Regional Silver Medal Winner will be selected instead. Should the gold and then silver Medal Winners be

rejected, those Regional slots will be converted into Rating slots.

If Medal Winners are not selected because a Regional Championships was not organized, or an event did not have enough minimum entries, all those Regional slots are converted into Rating slots at the discretion of the Selection Officer in order to ensure universality and continental representation.

If in the Rating category, a player's selection is rejected by their NTTA, the reserve players will be selected in order of rating and must be confirmed by their NTTA.

The position on the reserve player's list will NOT be a priority for the allocation of an invitation slot.

7. Competition format for the World Championships

Singles events: priority will be given to groups	of 3 players, the 2 first placed players going
over to the second stage	

Examples:	12 players = 4 groups of $3 - 8$ players proceed to the 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 (2 top players) proceed to the $\frac{1}{2}$ finals 16 players = 4 groups of 4 - 8 players (2 top players) proceed to the $\frac{1}{4}$ finals

Team events: will be played in K.O. system in each class organized

Examples: 8 teams = $4 \times 1/4$ finals, $2 \times 1/2$ finals, final 12 teams = $4 \times 1/8$ finals, $4 \times 1/4$ finals, $2 \times 1/2$ finals, final 16 teams = $8 \times 1/8$ finals, $4 \times 1/4$ finals, $2 \times 1/2$ finals, final

In single and team events, the bronze match $(3^{rd} place)$ will NOT be played and 2 bronze medals will be given to the joint 3^{rd} players or teams.

8. Deadlines

15 January 2014by ITTF Para TT Selection CommitteeSend out - selected player's names by Regional and Rating slots to NTTAs.
- Team application form + Invitation application form.

<u>15 February 2014</u> by National Associations (NTTAs)

- Acceptance or rejection of allocated Regional and Rating selections.

- Return of the Team application form + Invitation application form.

15 March 2014

by ITTF Para TT Selection Committee

Send out to NTTAs:

- Confirmation of the selected players by Regional and Rating selections.
- Proposition of Invitation selections and Team selections.

15 April 2014

by NTTAs

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

<u>15 May 2014</u>

by ITTF Para TT Selection Committee

Send out to the NTTAs

- Final confirmation of Regional, Rating, Invitation selections.
- Final confirmation of Team events competition format (classes' combinations, number of teams by class).

15 July 2014

by NTTAs

Deadline for the World Championships Organizing Committee to receive the final entry forms.

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