



INTERNATIONAL TABLE TENNIS FEDERATION

PARA TABLE TENNIS

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GENERAL INFORMATION

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1. Ranking lists to be used for

Selections : January 1st 2010

Seeding : October 1st, 2010

2. Slots allocations

Maximum number of slots allocated for the 2010 World Championships: **304 slots**

Men : **192 players**

Women : **112 players**

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

Protection of severe disabled: 25 % of the total number of slots.

Men : (25 % of 192 = 48 slots)	- class 1 : 12	
	- class 2 : 18	
	- class 6 : 18	Total : 48 slots

Women : (25 % of 112 = 28 slots) - class 1-2 : 12
 - class 6 : 6
 - class 7 : 8 Total : 26 slots

Protection of women :

+/- 50% of the total number of women on the ranking of October 2008 will be selected.

2.1. Singles events

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

Maximum number of slots per event: 30

Men	
Class 1	12
Class 2	18
Class 3	30
Class 4	24
Class 5	18
Class 6	18
Class 7	18
Class 8	18
Class 9	18
Class 10	18
Total	192

Women	
Class 1-2	12
Class 3	24
Class 4	18
Class 5	12
Class 6	6
Class 7	8
Class 8	12
Class 9	8
Class 10	12
Total	112

2.2. Team events

Minimum number of slots by event: Men : 8

Women : 6

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 1-2	8
Class 3	8
Class 4	8
Class 5	8
Class 6-7	8
Class 8	8
Class 9	8
Class 10	8
Total	64

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

3. Distribution of slots by category

Regional slots: Men = 40 slots Women = 32 slots Total **72** slots
Ranking slots: Men = 132 slots Women = 68 slots Total **200** slots
Invitation slots: Men = 20 slots Women = 10 slots Total **30** slots

3.1 Regional slots

72 Gold winners in all singles events in each Region for Men and Women will automatically be qualified

3.2 Ranking slots

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

3.3 Invitation slots

30 Invitation qualification slots will be considered by the ITTF on the recommendation of the ITTF Para TT Selection Committee.

3.4 To be eligible to be selected

Athletes have to have as a minimum requirement, an International Classification Card, current valid ranking points as of January 1st, 2010 **and have to meet the requirements of the Tournament Credit System.**

4. Slots to be re-allocated

A number equal to 10 % of the total entries + 3 slots shall be allocated to the re-allocation system.

Example: 30 slots = (10% = 3) + 3 = 6 re-allocation slots.

The reserve players will be listed by ranking position and may be selected only if a player already selected is rejected by the player or by his or her National Federation (NF). 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 a country has more than 3 players 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 NF rejects a player already selected. 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 M 3
 Only the 3 best can be selected (Regional and/or Ranking)
 The 2 others could be considered and added to the reserve players list
 in order of ranking.

The Belgian reserve players cannot replace a rejected player from another country (3 players as maximum!)

5. Tournament Credit System

Regional Championships, World Championships and Paralympic Games are **NOT included** in the Tournament Credit System and only the tournaments factor 20 – 40 will be considered during a period at the discretion of the Selection Officer !

The Tournament Credit for the World Championships 2010 is :

20 credit points must be met during the 15 months before the selection date (1 January 2010).

To be selected by Regional, Ranking or Invitation allocation, a player **MUST participate at minimum in one tournament factor 20 or 40 between :**

1 October 2008 and 31 December 2009.

Participation in the Regional Championships only is NOT sufficient !

- Example :
- a player is eligible by Regional or Ranking and he or she has participate at 1 tournament factor 20 or 40 - **the selection is possible.**
 - a player is eligible by Regional or Ranking and he or she did **NOT** participate at 1 tournament factor 20 or 40 - **the selection is NOT possible.**
 - same system will be used for the selection of a player by Invitation allocation.
 - same system will be used to allocate a re-allocation position (reserve).

6. Comments

In case an athlete or a NF 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. Same as the Silver Medal Winner should be rejected, the selection goes to the Bronze Medal Winner. Should the three Medal Winners be rejected, those Regional slots are converted into Ranking 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 Ranking slots.

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

The position on the reserve player's list will NEVER been a priority for the allocation of an invitation slots.

7. Competition format for the World Championships

Open events: will be played in KO system

Single events: priority will be given to groups of 3 players, the 2 firsts going over to the second stage

Examples: 12 players = 4 groups of 3 – 8 players proceed to the 1/4 finals
30 players = 10 groups of 3 – 20 players proceed to the 1/16 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 1/2 finals

Team events: will be played in K.O. 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

8. Deadlines

15 January 2010

by ITTF Para TT Selection Committee

- Send out - selected player's names by Regional and Ranking slots to NFs.
- Team application form + Invitation application form.

15 February 2010

by National Federations (NFs)

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

15 March 2010

by ITTF Para TT Selection Committee

- Send out to NFs:
- Confirmation of the selected players by Regional and Ranking selections.
- Proposition of Invitation selections and Team selections.

15 April 2010

by NFs

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

15 May 2010

by ITTF Para TT Selection Committee

- Send out to the NFs
- Final confirmation of Regional, Ranking, Invitation selections.
- Final confirmation of Team events competition format (classes' combinations, number of teams by class).

15 July 2010

by NFs

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

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