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**PARA TABLE TENNIS**

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**PARALYMPIC GAMES – 29 August-9 September 2012**

**LONDON – GREAT BRITAIN**

**SELECTION GENERAL INFORMATION**

Confirmed by the ITTF Para TT Executive Committee during its meeting in Gwangju, Korea  
3-4 November 2010

**1. Ranking lists to be used for**

Selections: January 1<sup>st</sup> 2012

Seeding: July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012

**2. Slot allocations**

Maximum number of slots allocated for the 2012 Paralympic Games: **276 slots**

**Men: 174 players**

**Women: 102 players**

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

**Promotion of athletes with high support needs: 25 % of the total number of slots.**

Men: (25 % of 174 = 44 slots)	- class 1 : 12	
	- class 2 : 18	
	- class 6 : 16	Total : 46 slots
Women: (25 % of 102 = 26 slots)	- class 1-2 : 12	
	- class 6 : 8	
	- class 7 : 8	Total : 28 slots

**Promotion of women: +/- 50% of the total number of women on the ranking will be selected.**

## 2.1. Singles events

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

Maximum number of slots per event: 24

Men	
Class 1	12
Class 2	18
Class 3	24
Class 4	20
Class 5	12
Class 6	16
Class 7	18
Class 8	16
Class 9	16
Class 10	16
Class 11	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>174</b>

Women	
Class 1-2	12
Class 3	20
Class 4	12
Class 5	12
Class 6	8
Class 7	8
Class 8	8
Class 9	8
Class 10	8
Class 11	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>

## 2.2. Team events

Minimum number of slots by event: Men : 6

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	10
Class 4-5	12
Class 6-8	12
Class 9-10	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>54</b>

Women	
Class 1-3	8
Class 4-5	12
Class 6-10	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>32</b>

## 3. Distribution of slots by category

Regional slots: Men = 44 slots

Women = 40 slots Total **84** slots

Ranking slots: Men = 111 slots

Women = 51 slots Total **162** slots

Invitation slots: Men = 19 slots

Women = 11 slots Total **30** slots

### 3.1 Regional slots

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

### 3.2 Ranking slots

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

### 3.3 Invitation slots

**30** 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 be selected

Athletes have to have as a minimum requirement, an International Classification Card, current valid ranking points as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012 **and 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: 20 slots = (10% = 2 ) + 3 = 5 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 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 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 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 at the discretion of the Selection Officer!

The Tournament Credit for the Paralympic Games 2012 is:

**80 credit points must be met during a period starting on November 4, 2010 till December 31, 2011.**

To be selected by Regional, Ranking or Invitation allocation, a player **MUST participate at least in :**

**1 Fa 50 + 1 Fa 40**

**1 Fa 50 + 1 Fa 20 = 1 Fa 20**

**1 Fa 40 + 1 Fa 40**

**1 Fa 40 + 1 Fa 20 + 1 Fa 20**

**1 Fa 20 + 1 fa 20 = 1 Fa 20 + 1 Fa 20**

**Starting on November 4, 2010 till December 31, 2011** so Buenos Aires, Rio de Janeiro, Beijing and Guangzhou **are included** in the Tournament Credit System for the Paralympic Games.

- 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 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. Should all three Medal Winners be rejected, those Regional slots are converted into Ranking slots.

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 are converted into Ranking slots.

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

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

## **7. Competition format for the Paralympic Games 2012**

**Single events:** priority will be given to groups of 3 players

Only the 1 first top player qualifies for the second stage

Examples: 12 players = 4 groups of 3 – 4 players proceed to the 1/2 finals

16 players = 4 first top players proceed directly to the 1/4 finals +  
4 groups of 3 – 4 players proceed to the 1/4 finals

20 players = 2 first top players proceed directly to the 1/4 finals +  
6 groups of 3 – 6 players proceed to the 1/4 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

Playing system:

A vs X  
B vs Y  
Double  
A vs Y  
B vs X

## **8. Deadlines**

- 15 January 2012** by ITTF Para TT Selection Committee  
Send out - selected player's names by Regional and Ranking slots to NPCs, team application form + Invitation application form.
- 15 February 2012** by National Paralympic Committees (NPCs)  
Acceptance or rejection of allocated Regional and Ranking selections.  
Return of the Team application form + Invitation application form.
- 12 March 2012** by ITTF Para TT Selection Committee  
Send out to NPCs:  
- Confirmation of the selected players by Regional and Ranking selections.  
- Proposed Invitation selections  
- Team competition format and selections.
- 26 March 2012** by NPCs  
- Acceptance or rejection of all the selections (Regional, Ranking, Invitation, Teams).
- 09 April 2012** by ITTF Para TT Selection Committee  
Send out to the NPCs  
- Confirmation of reallocation of unused Regional, Ranking, Invitation slots.
- 23 April 2012** by NPCs  
- Confirmation in writing to the ITTF acceptance of reallocated qualification slots and final compositions of the teams
- 07 May 2012** London 2012 Organizing Committee  
- To receive accreditation application forms sent by NPCs
- 25 June 2012** London 2012 Organizing Committee  
- To receive the Sport Entry Forms sent by the NPCs

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