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## Inspection report ITTF Para TT / Dutch Open 13-15 May 2011

Dates: 15 and 16 December 2010

### Introduction

In the preparation for the Dutch Open for disabled (DO), an inspection visit was scheduled to discuss all items involved. We had several very constructive discussions, all focused on an optimal preparation of the Dutch Open. Several facilities from the 2011 WTTC will also be used for the DO. If necessary, special facilities will be provided.

### 1. Hotel inspection

We visited the Bilderberg hotel and Novotel Brainpark. These hotels have several rooms that are wheelchair friendly. In the Bilderberg hotel some minor adaptations may be needed. The parking facilities in the Bilderberg hotel are not optimal. Bilderberg: 3 lifts (100 cm and 110 cm) 3 wheelchairs possible. In all rooms, the entry is 80 cm and the bathroom entry is 70 cm, so 80 wheelchairs possible. Novotel: Lift 90 cm (2 wheelchairs). In all the rooms, entry door is 77 cm and bathroom entry in between 62 and 70 cm, so 150 wheelchairs possible. The organization will use several hotels, other hotels will be inspected later. Most wheelchairs have a width around 60 cm. However, there will be several hotel rooms needed for wheelchairs with 75 cm width and more. Additional facilities may be provided to enhance rooms. Some extra checks should be done in the hotels few days before the start.

### 2. The Ahoy venue

We've also visited the Ahoy venue. Some further arrangements may have to be made, for instance concerning wheelchair WCs and some small ramps or grooves. If these cannot be compensated, they'll have to be clearly marked. We have a floor plan of hall 1, with maximally 36 tables, 6 rows of 6 tables each. Maximally 4 people per team should sit near the match (in the runways). This space should have a width of at least 2 meter, wheelchair players should be able to cross. The distance from the tables to the toilets should not be too much. All tables will be wheelchair friendly. In the rule 51 area there should preferably be a possibility for changing shirts. A clear signage system will be available (also for the WTTC). A training room is preferred, but not used much. Training will be possible on Thursday. A room is needed for storing second wheelchairs (estimate: about 20).

### 3. Transportation and catering

The transportation system is coupled to the WTTC transportation system, but it will be tailor made for the Dutch Open, thus depending on the tournament schedule. Of course there will be special care for wheelchair users. The last shuttle will be available one hour after the end of the last match.

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The catering in Ahoy is open till one hour after the end of the last match. Lunch and diner will be in Ahoy. There will be drinking water available for the players. The tables and buffets used for catering should be wheelchair friendly (buffets not too high or special help available).

### 3. Entry, ranking and draw

- Around 23 January: the first entry closes.
- 8 March: the second entry will close.
- 20 March: deadline for late entries.
- 31 March: final check of entries has been done. Nico Verspeelt will check all entries carefully. He will also make a preliminary team proposal (if teams have not been entered yet, including mixed teams (players from more than 1 association, where the weakest players per association can be combined, according to the general rules)). Nico will send the team proposal to the associations/coaches involved, asking for confirmation before 13 April.
- 30 April: deadline for mutations. All mutations (replacements of players) are still allowed. After 1 May only players within the same class may be replaced or players may be withdrawn.
- The draw of the singles groups and the teams groups is ultimately 2 days before the start of the DO.
- The draw for further rounds will be handled immediately after the group matches (round robin). The ITTF Para TT rules will be followed: numbers 1 and 2 will proceed in a knock out schedule.

### 4. Crew needed

- There will be 1 referee and 1 or 2 deputy referees.
- There will be an ITTF Technical Delegate (TD) and a Classifier.
- Ball boys and girls will be needed for class 1, 2, 3 and 6 and on request for class 4, 5 and 7. There will be clear instructions.

### 5. Ceremonies

- There will be maximally 38 ceremonies: 19 single and 19 teams classes. Classes F1 and F2 are (nearly) always combined.
- Ceremonies will be in the hall where the finals have been played, most of them will thus be in Hall 1.
- No flags or anthems are needed.
- The opening ceremony may consist of a march-in.
- There will be a farewell party on 15 May.

### 6. Further details and notes

- There will not be racket control.
- No doping control is scheduled. However, the (Dutch) doping authority may be active.

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