

2019 ITTF PARA TABLE TENNIS EVENTS

Fa20 and Fa40 TOURNAMENTS

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1. FACTOR 40 PARA TABLE TENNIS REGULATIONS (to be read in conjunction with Chapter 3 and 4 of the ITTF Handbook)

1.1 Application:

1.1.1 The application for the Factor 40 PTT Competition should be submitted to ITTF Headquarters from the National Associations no later than the given deadline in the application form.

1.2 Sanction and participation fees:

1.2.1 A sanction fee of USD 700.00 must be paid at the time the application is submitted.
1.2.1 Participation fees of USD 30.00 per participant must be paid on receipt of invoice.

1.3 Site inspections:

1.3.1 After the Fa40 has been awarded, one site inspection by a person/s nominated by the ITTF PTT Committee shall take place.
1.3.2 LOC shall pay for the travel expenses, provide hospitality and a daily allowance of USD 25.00 per person during the period of the inspection.

1.4 Limit of entries:

1.4.1 Up to 4 players with an international classification card per association per gender per class into the competition.
1.4.2 The Host Association may enter up to 6 classified players per gender per class into the competition.
1.4.3 More information is in section 4.9 Format of Play.

1.5 Medals:

1.5.1 Gold, silver and two bronze medals will be awarded.
1.5.2 Medals will be awarded to all player in a team event.

1.6 Technical requirements:

1.6.1 A minimum of 14 tables in the FOP.
1.6.2 A minimum of 4 days competition.
1.6.3 Approved ITTF floor in the FOP.
1.6.4 A warmup area near to FOP with a minimum of 12 tables.
1.6.5 LOC must provide internet streaming in at least 2 tables (1 for wheelchair and 1 for standing)
1.6.6 At least one 4* hotel must be offered for accommodation.

2. FACTOR 20 PARA TABLE TENNIS REGULATIONS

(to be read in conjunction with Chapter 3 and 4 of the ITTF Handbook)

2.1 Application:

2.1.1 The application for the Factor 20 PTT Competition should be submitted to ITTF Headquarters from the National Associations no later than the given deadline in the application form.

2.2 Sanction and participation fees:

2.2.1 A sanction fee of USD 400.00 must be paid at the time the application is submitted.
2.2.2 Participation fees of USD 25.00 per participant must be paid on receipt of invoice.

2.3 Site inspections:

2.3.1 After the Fa 20 event has been awarded, one site inspections (if needed) by a person/s nominated by the ITTF PTT Committee shall take place.
2.3.2 LOC shall pay for the travel expenses, provide hospitality and a daily allowance of USD 25.00 per person during the period of the inspection.

2.4 Limit of entries:

2.4.1 Up to 4 players with an international classification card per association per gender per class into the competition.
2.4.2 The Host Association may enter up to 6 classified players per gender per class into the competition.
2.4.3 More information is in section 4.9 Format of Play.

2.5 Medals:

2.5.1 Gold, silver and two bronze medals will be awarded.
2.5.2 Medals will be awarded to all player in a team event.

2.6 Technical requirements:

2.6.1 A minimum of 12 tables in the FOP
2.6.2 A minimum of 3 days competition

3. JUNIOR PARA TABLE TENNIS REGULATIONS

(to be read in conjunction with Chapter 3 and 4 of the ITTF Handbook)

3.1 Application:

3.1.1 The application for the Junior PTT Competition should be submitted to ITTF Headquarters from the National Associations no later than the given deadline in the application form.

3.2 Sanction and participation fees.

3.2.1 There is no sanction fee or participation fees for Junior events provided that Junior tournament is organized together with a Fa20 or Fa40 tournament.

3.3 Site inspections:

- 3.3.1 After the Junior event has been awarded, one site inspections (if needed) by a person/s nominated by the ITTF PTT Committee.
- 3.3.2 LOC shall pay for the travel expenses, provide hospitality and a daily allowance of USD 25.00 per person during the period of the inspection.

3.4 Limit of entries:

- 3.4.1 Up to 6 players per Association per event.
- 3.4.2 The Host Association may have up to 6 players in an event.
- 3.4.3 More information is in part 4.9 Format of Play.

3.5 Medals:

- 3.5.1 Gold, silver and two bronze medals will be awarded.
- 3.5.2 Medals will be awarded to all player in a team event.

4. INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS

(to be read in conjunction with Chapter 3 and 4 of the ITTF Handbook)

4.1 Cycle of sanctioned international PTT competitions:

- 4.1.1 Year 0: Paralympic Games
- 4.1.2 Year 1: one Continental Championships in each ITTF PTT continent.
- 4.1.3 Year 2: World PTT Championships (both single and team).
- 4.1.4 Year 3: one Continental Championships in each ITTF PTT continent.
- 4.1.5 Yearly there will be an open number of Factor 20 tournaments, but a maximum 6 Factor 40 tournaments in different continents can be organized according to the applications. This may be changed by the ITTF PTT Committee.

4.2 Other competitions sanctioned:

- 4.2.1 No other competitions will be sanctioned within a period of 2 weeks prior to or following:
 - 4.2.1.1 the Paralympic Games
 - 4.2.1.2 World PTT Championships
 - 4.2.1.3 Continental PTT championships
 - 4.2.1.4 Other international PTT competitions except in the same region one week before, or one week after the competitions in this region as well as a multi-sports games in the continent.

4.3 Minimum participations requirement for a tournament

- 4.3.1 If according to the entries less than 8 class events can be organized in total at a PTT event, or there are less than 50 players entered, the competition can be cancelled by the ITTF PTT Manager.
- 4.3.2 If one tournament is cancelled due to the low number of players, ITTF has no financial responsibility with LOC or the participants.

4.4 Sanction and participation fees:

- 4.4.1 Should an application be declined, the sanction fee will be refunded.

4.5 Appointment of technical officials:

- 4.5.1 Officials will be appointed by the ITTF PTT Committee as follows:

- 4.5.1.1 a TD and a deputy TD for competitions with 201 and more players or more than 1 playing hall;
- 4.5.1.2 a classification panel:
 - 4.5.1.2.1 1 classifier for Fa40 international competitions that don't allow reevaluation or class 11 classification.
 - 4.5.1.2.2 2 to 4 classifiers for Fa40 international competitions that allow reevaluation or class 11 classification.
 - 4.5.1.2.3 2 classifiers for Fa20 international competitions.
 - 4.5.1.2.4 2 classifiers for junior competitions.
- 4.5.2 Officials (referees, umpires, and other officials) will be appointed according to the Directives for Match Officials at World Title Competitions and ITTF Sanctioned Events. Continental and international PTT competitions are defined as ITTF Sanctioned Events in terms of those Directives.
 - 4.5.2.1 Umpires:
 - 4.5.2.1.1 for Fa40 and Fa20 international competitions: the number of tables x 3 plus 4, of whom 75% may be from the Host Association and at least 25% from foreign Associations representing at least 3 Associations.
 - 4.5.2.2 officials managers as necessary;
 - 4.5.2.3 computer operators for Dr Wu's program as necessary.

4.6 Expenses for technical officials:

- 4.6.1 The Host Association shall cover the following costs for officials appointed by the by the ITTF PTT Committee (TDs, referees, classifiers and those specified in 4.5):
- 4.6.2 international economy class travel (including costs of getting to and from the airport of origin, visa and airport parking);
- 4.6.3 daily allowance of: USD 50.00 per day for the officials in 4.5 and USD 30.00 for referees and umpires who are present at the competition;
- 4.6.4 local travel costs for umpires;
- 4.6.5 Full hospitality for:
 - 4.6.5.1 TDs:
 - 4.6.5.1.1 Fa20 and Junior competitions: from dinner 2 days before the first day of competition to dinner on the day after the end of the competition;
 - 4.6.5.1.2 Fa40 tournaments: from dinner 2 days before the first day of competition to breakfast on the day after the end of the competition;
 - 4.6.5.2 the classification panel:
 - 4.6.5.2.1 Fa20 and Junior competitions: from dinner 3 days before the first day of competition to dinner on the day after the end of the competition;
 - 4.6.5.2.2 Fa40 tournaments: from dinner 2 days before the first day of competition to breakfast on the day after the end of the competition;
 - 4.6.5.3 Referees: dinner 2 days before the first day of competitions to breakfast on the day after the end of the competition.
 - 4.6.5.4 Umpires: dinner 1 day before the first day of the competition to breakfast on the day after the end of the competition.

4.7 Prospectus and entry forms:

- 4.7.1 Once the competition is confirmed, the Host Association shall submit the prospectus as well as other information to the ITTF PTT Committee for approval and publication on the website.
- 4.7.2 Entries:
 - 4.7.2.1 Local Organizing Committee (LOC):

- 4.7.2.1.1 must not accept entries if they are not sent to the ITTF PTT Committee at the same time.
- 4.7.2.1.2 accept the final entries by name only if they are approved by the ITTF PTT Committee.
- 4.7.2.1.3 can never accept changes on the final entries without preliminary approval of ITTF PTT Committee.
- 4.7.2.1.4 must use the entries only for own needs (hospitality, payment, transportation etc.).
- 4.7.2.1.5 must manage the entries using only offline template documents or online software that ITTF PTT Committee authorizes.
- 4.7.2.1.6 must not accept entry after the publication of players list on ITTF-website.
- 4.7.2.1.7 must keep the player list confidential until publication on ITTF website.
- 4.7.2.1.8 must not accept any entry without Date of Birth.
- 4.7.2.2 The Participant Associations:
- 4.7.2.2.1 must send all entries to ITTF PTT Committee and to LOC. If ITTF PTT Committee does not receive the entry, this entry will not be approved.
- 4.7.2.2.2 For participation of new players in a tournament, the participant Association must firstly send a scanned copy of passport to ITTF PTT Committee together with player's personal details. Then the Association will receive an ID number for player from ITTF PTT Committee. This ID number will be used in the final entry.
- 4.7.2.2.3 Changes in the final entry are similar to new entry and need to follow the procedure for entries by name.
- 4.7.2.2.4 Final entry must include the player Date of Birth, without it the entry will not be accepted.
- 4.7.2.2.5 must send the entries using only offline template documents or online software that ITTF PTT Committee authorizes.

4.8 Events:

- 4.8.1 The events in competitions specified shall be:
 - 4.8.1.1 class singles for men and women in classes 1 to 10, combined as necessary plus class 11;
 - 4.8.1.2 team events for men and women in classes 1 to 10, combined as necessary plus class 11;
 - 4.8.1.3 Junior single event in classes 1 to 10, combined as necessary plus class 11
 - 4.8.1.4 any other event decided by the ITTF PTT Committee from time to time for international competitions, combined as necessary.
 - 4.8.1.5 The singles events will be played before the team event.
 - 4.8.1.6 In all events, gold, silver and two bronze medals will be awarded except:
 - 4.8.1.6.1 Bronze medals will be awarded in Fa20 and Fa40, events to both players and teams without a play off.
 - 4.8.1.6.2 Medals will be awarded to all players in a team event.
 - 4.8.1.6.3 Where a round robin involving 5 players or 5 teams in an event is played, only one bronze will be awarded.

Singles	Medals awarded	Teams	Medals awarded
4 players	Gold and silver only	4 teams	Gold and silver only
5 players	Gold, silver, 1 bronze	5 teams	Gold, silver, 1 bronze

- 4.8.2 In Fa 20, Fa40 and Junior tournaments, single events will be organized if there are 4 or more players from two different National Associations. Single events with less than 4 players or with only 1 National Association must be combined by the referee in consultation with the TD such that the lower classes are given priority.
- 4.8.3 Only team events with 4 or more teams will be played and events with less than 4 teams must be combined by the referee in consultation with the TD such that the lower classes are given priority.
- 4.8.4 If there are less than 4 teams in the highest class possible combination, the event will be played. In that case, rating points will be awarded together with the title but medals will not be awarded.

Example:

Entry for event	No of teams	Event possible
TF1	0	No event possible
TF1-2	1	No event possible
TF1-3	4	Event must be organised
TF4	2	No event possible
TF4-5	3	Event organised, rating points and title will be awarded but no medals

4.9 Format of play:

4.9.1 Singles events:

4.9.1.1 In Factor events

- 4.9.1.1.1 When 4 players per Association per class are allowed to enter;
- 4.9.1.1.1.1 if 2 classes are combined, there may be up to 5 players per Association with a maximum of 3 players from the same class;
- 4.9.1.1.1.2 if 3 classes are combined, there may be up to 7 players per Association with a maximum of 3 players from the same class;
- 4.9.1.1.2 When 5 players per Association per class are allowed to enter;
- 4.9.1.1.2.1 if 2 classes are combined, there may be up to 6 players per Association with a maximum of 3 players from the same class;
- 4.9.1.1.2.2 if 3 classes are combined, there may be up to 8 players per Association with a maximum of 3 players from the same class;
- 4.9.1.1.3 When 6 players per Association per class are allowed to enter;
- 4.9.1.1.3.1 if 2 classes are combined, there may be up to 7 players per Association with a maximum of 3 players from the same class;
- 4.9.1.1.3.2 if 3 classes are combined, there may be up to 9 players per Association with a maximum of 3 players from the same class.

4.9.2 In all competitions:

- 4.9.2.1 When after the 1st entry by number events are combined due to low entries in one event and the combination gives an Association more than the number of players allowed in the combined event, LOC will inform that Association that only the number of competitors allowed per event may be entered and its entry for that event will be revised;
- 4.9.2.2 After the player list has been published on the PTT website (usually 15 days before the tournament) if a player is withdrawn for any reason points will be lost according to the ITTF PTT "Ranking Default Policy".
- 4.9.2.3 if a singles class 5 or 10 does not have 4 entries, the TD must combine this with the next lower class or with the next lower combination of classes to make a minimum of 4 entries;

- 4.9.2.4 the first stage of the event will be played in round-robin groups and the second by knock-out; the number of players in a group shall be 4 where possible but there shall not otherwise be less than 3 and more than 5 players in a group and priority must be given to groups of 4 players. If there are 5 or less players the event will be played in a round-robin group only;
- 4.9.2.5 the numbers of groups will be decided by the referee in consultation with the TD;
- 4.9.2.6 if the number of groups in an event is not a multiple of 2, winners from the groups with the highest ranked seeded players shall have byes in the first round of the second stage, in seeding order;
- 4.9.2.7 the winner and the runner-up of each group will advance to the second stage which will be played as a knock-out;
- 4.9.2.8 a player may only play in the class indicated on his/her international classification card unless, due to the low number of players, his/her class is combined with the next class when he/she may play in the event for the next highest class;
- 4.9.2.9 all matches will be the best of 5 games.
- 4.9.3 Teams:
- 4.9.3.1 In Fa40 and Fa20 competitions, a maximum 2 teams per Association may be entered where all players are from the same Association.
- 4.9.3.2 Players from different Associations may form a team in the team event in Fa40 and Fa20 competitions, but if there are 3 players in the same event from the same Association, only the 3rd lowest rated player may form a team with a player from another Association.
- 4.9.3.3 Mixed class teams are allowed but the team must play in the class of the player with the highest class, the highest class player must play in every team match in singles or in doubles.
- 4.9.3.4 No player may represent more than one team in competition.
- 4.9.3.5 Where events are combined due to low entries in an event and the combination gives an Association more than 2 teams in a combined event, LOC will inform the Association that only 2 teams per event may be entered and its entry for that event is to be revised.
- 4.9.3.6 The team event format, for the PTT championships: best of 3 matches (1 doubles and 2 singles). A team shall consist of 2 or 3 players. The order of play shall be:
1. Doubles
 2. Single 1 (A-X)
 3. Single 2 (B-Y)
- All players shall be selected from those nominated for the event. Before a team match the right to choose A, B or X, Y shall be decided by lot and the captains shall name their teams to the referee or his representative, assigning a letter to each singles player. All names must be nominated before start the team match.
- Individual matches are played best of 5 games.
- 4.9.3.7 In all Para TT events under the authority of ITTF PTT Committee the team competition system will be organized in group system in the 1st stage with priority given to groups of 4 teams with the winner and runner-up in each group advancing to play in the knock-out rounds, without team match for bronze medal. If there are 5 or less teams, the event will be played in a round-robin format without knock-out.

- 4.9.3.8 Should a large number of teams cause trouble in the time schedule, the TD in cooperation with the Referee and the organizing committee may decide to play the team event under the knock out format only.

4.10 Seeding:

- 4.10.1 For all competitions, the latest world ranking list published on the 1st day of each month or as soon as possible thereafter will be used for seeding.
- 4.10.2 In a team event, the list of seeds will be decided by combining the rating points of the 2 strongest players in the team.
- 4.10.3 Alterations to the draw may be made if a player is re-classified.

4.11 Draw:

- 4.11.1 For all competitions, the draw must be done by the referee, before the technical meeting, using the required competition management program and distributed at the technical meeting.

4.12 Jury:

- 4.12.1 The independent jury for Fa 20, Fa40 championships and junior competitions, will be decided by the TD on arrival.

4.13 Discipline:

- 4.13.1 Walk over rules: if the match is not played for any reason, no ranking points are given to opponent.
- 4.13.1.2 If the match started, even if only 1 point is played, then points are given to opponent;
- 4.13.1.3 If the player is unable to play temporarily due to the nature of his/her disability or condition, the referee may, after consulting a medical classifier or doctor at the competition, allow a medical recovery time of the shortest practical duration, but in no circumstances more than 10 minutes.
- 4.13.2 Cancellations:
- 4.13.2.1 If a player cancels his/her participation
- 4.13.2.2 Before the second entry deadline, the entry fee paid in the first entry will be forfeited.
- 4.13.2.3 After the second entry deadline, an additional 30% of the entry fee must be paid, except for circumstances beyond his/her control.
- 4.13.2.4 If the penalties are not paid, the ITTF will publish the name of the Association and player on its website.

4.14 Seminars:

- 4.14.1 Five days classification seminar may be organized at some Fa20 and Fa40 international competitions on request of the LOC to the PTT Manager. Approval of classification seminar is at ITTF PTT's sole discretion.
- 4.14.2 LOC shall pay hospitality to the trainers for the duration of their stay;
- 4.14.3 Hosting country of the classification seminar can reserve up 25% of the available places for their participants.
- 4.14.4 LOC shall offer a package at a fixed priced for participants that will include meals, refreshments, accommodation and transportation.
- 4.14.5 Participants will only be admitted to the seminar after an application process that will be assessed by the ITTF PTT Classification Officer.
- 4.14.6 The participants shall pay their own travel and accommodation expenses.

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