

2022 MEN'S AND WOMEN'S ITF WORLD TENNIS TOUR REGULATIONS Summary of Key Rule Changes

The following pages provide a summary of the key changes to the 2022 Men's and Women's Regulations. These are not the regulations. The full Regulations can be seen on the ITF website in the Tour Regulations section [here](#).

Changes made from the previous year (2021) are shown in underlined text.

(Men's and Women's) Section I. PURPOSE AND APPLICABILITY

- C. National Association and Tournament Personnel
- 4. Officials

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Regulations, the Code of Conduct for Officials or the Tennis Anti-Corruption Programme, the ITF has the absolute right to deny approval of any official's appointment to officiate at any ITF World Tennis Tour Tournament(s), and to revoke any previously given approval. The ITF may exercise that right as it sees fit, with or without providing reasons (but may include for integrity or performance-related reasons).

(Men's and Women's) Section II. DEFINITIONS

Entry Deadline

For Advance Entry in Doubles, the Entry Deadline is at 14:00 hours Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) on the Tuesday six (6) days prior to the Monday of the Tournament Week.

To reflect this regulation change through the document, changes have also been made to rules V.E.2 and VI.A.2.

Committed *(for Men's regulation only)*

[...] In singles, committed players can, however, remain on ATP/Challenger Alternates lists and be accepted into the Main Draw or Qualifying Acceptance List of an ATP Tour or ATP Challenger tournament until 10:00 Eastern Standard Time (GMT-5) on the Friday before the Tournament Week without penalty.

To reflect this regulation change through the document, changes have also been made to 'Definition - Freeze Deadline' and rule V.E.2. Code of Conduct Article II & III – Entry Offences.

Withdrawals

When a player withdraws from a Tournament pursuant to the applicable Regulations. Singles and Doubles Withdrawals are to be made online through the player's IPIN account prior to the Qualifying Sign-In Deadline. [...]

Note: Except in exceptional circumstances, sending a Withdrawal Form is no longer an acceptable method for players to withdraw from a Tournament after the Freeze Deadline.

The change to withdrawing online after the freeze deadline will apply from the tournament week, 17th January 2022. Prior to that the withdrawal form method will apply. Various changes have been made to the regulations to reflect this new rule including 'Definition – Withdrawal Form' and rule V.B, V.E.2, V.F, V.I, VI.A.1, VI.A.4. Code of Conduct Article II & III – Entry Offences.

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Section III. MEN'S ITF WORLD TENNIS TOUR TOURNAMENTS

C. Tournament Events

For every four (4) Men's ITF World Tennis Tour tournaments organised at the \$15,000 level, National Associations are required to organise at least one (1) Men's tournament at the \$25,000 level.

(Women's)

Section III. WOMEN'S ITF WORLD TENNIS TOUR TOURNAMENTS

D. Tournament Events

For every four (4) Women's ITF World Tennis Tour tournaments organised at the \$15,000 level, National Associations are required to organise at least one (1) Women's tournament at the \$25,000, \$60,000, \$80,000, or \$100,000 level.

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Section III. [MEN'S / WOMEN'S] ITF WORLD TENNIS TOUR TOURNAMENTS

J. Junior Player Images

Notwithstanding Regulation I above, it is prohibited for any Covered Person to obtain, transmit, store or distribute any images and/or recordings (whether audio or visual) of junior players (being players who are under 18 years of age), unless they are the parent or legal guardian of the player, without the express written authorisation (which includes permission about how the image(s) will be used) of i) the parent or legal guardian of the player, and ii) the ITF Supervisor. Images and/or recordings taken with permission under this Regulation must be exclusively of tennis matches, practice or the presentation of trophies. Please see the ITF's *Process for ITF Tournament Supervisors, Coaches and Parents on Video Recording of Junior Matches For Performance Analysis*.

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Section V. SINGLES ENTRIES AND WITHDRAWALS

I. Wild Cards

As stated in the Code of Conduct in Article II, B.4., a player who is Committed by way of Entry or Wild Card to a Tournament may only accept the offer of a Wild Card into another Tournament in the same week, if the Player makes an official late withdrawal before the Qualifying Sign-in Deadline and the Player meets one of the two requirements below:

- i) A player accepted into Qualifying of a Men's ITF World Tennis Tour Tournament is nominated to receive a Wild Card into the Main Draw of another Professional tournament (ITF, ATP or Grand Slam) (i.e. moving from Qualifying to Main Draw);
- ii) A player accepted into Qualifying or Main Draw of a Men's ITF World Tennis Tour Tournament is nominated to receive a Wild Card into the Qualifying or Main Draw of

another Professional tournament in a higher prize money category (ITF, ATP Tour, ATP Challenger or Grand Slam) (example \$15,000 to \$25,000.)

The 2022 regulations have removed the 'third requirement' from the 2021 regulations. ~~iii) A player accepted into the Qualifying or Main Draw of a Men's ITF World Tennis Tour Tournament is nominated to receive a Wild Card into the Qualifying or Main Draw or Qualifying of a Challenger or ATP Tour event., provided 1) the wild card is for a tournament in the same country as the player's official nationality, and 2) the Tournament Organiser from the ITF World Tennis Tour tournament provides a written release to the player.~~

To reflect this regulation change through the document, changes have also been made to Code of Conduct Article II.B.4.v.

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Section V. SINGLES ENTRIES AND WITHDRAWALS

I. Wild Cards

Players who are not subject to the AER may receive during a calendar year a maximum number of Wild Cards as follows:

\$25,000-\$100,000 Tournaments

- a) Six (6) wild cards into singles at \$25,000-\$100,000 Tournaments on the Women's ITF World Tennis Tour, with a maximum of three (3) of these allowed in the Main Draw. In addition to these wild cards, a player who wins one (1) or more matches at a tournament where they are allocated a Main Draw wild card will receive an additional Main Draw wild card for use in the same calendar year (a "Merited Increase"). A player can receive up to 3 Merited Increases each year at \$25,000-\$100,000 level (i.e. 6 Main Draw wild cards in total, in addition to 3 Qualifying wild cards). For the purposes of determining the Merited Increases, wins by retirement or default (after the match has started) count as wins, but byes and walkovers do not; and

\$15,000 Tournaments

- a) Six (6) wild cards into singles at \$15,000 Tournaments on the Women's ITF World Tennis Tour, with a maximum of three (3) of these allowed in the Main Draw. In addition to these wild cards, a player who wins one (1) or more matches at a tournament where they are allocated a Main Draw wild card will receive an additional Main Draw wild card for use in the same calendar year (a "Merited Increase"). A player is able to receive up to 3 Merited Increases for Main Draw wild cards each year at \$15,000 level (i.e. 6 Main Draw wild cards in total, in addition to 3 Qualifying wild cards). For the purposes of determining the Merited Increases, wins by retirement or default (after the match has started) count as wins, but byes and walkovers do not; and

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Section VI. DOUBLES ENTRIES AND WITHDRAWALS

A. Advance Entry at \$25,000 Tournaments

2. Doubles Entry Deadline

The Doubles Entry Deadline is at 14:00 hours GMT on Tuesday, 6 days prior to the Tournament. In the event of any technical issues that prevent the ITF from processing the Doubles Entry Deadline 6

days prior to the tournament, then the Doubles Entry Deadline in that week will revert to On-Site entry.

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Section VII. SYSTEMS OF MERIT

A. Singles System of Merit at \$15,000 Tournaments

4. Method D – Junior Reserved

Entered players with an approved ITF Combined Junior Ranking of 1-100 shall be selected for a maximum of three (3) Main Draw places. A Top 100 ITF Combined Junior Ranking can be achieved in 2 ways:

ii) “Carry-over” ITF Junior ranking

In addition, players born in 2003 may carry over their 20 December 2021 ITF Combined Junior ranking for the purposes of entering \$15,000 Tournaments until the week in which they turn 19 years of age. The Monday of each week determines the player’s age for that week. Thus, a player who is 18 on Monday but turns 19 on Tuesday would be eligible to use their ITF Combined Junior Ranking for that week but would no longer be able to use their ITF Combined Junior Ranking the following week.

E. Doubles System of Merit at \$25,000 Tournaments

Each Tournament will have a Doubles competition for 16 teams, with teams entering as follows:

- Up to seven (7) teams by Advance Entry

The teams will be selected in accordance with their combined Doubles’ Rankings added together and the total used to determine acceptances as of the Monday seven (7) days before the Tournament Week.

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Section VIII. DRAWS

A. Composition of Draws

1. Singles

a) Qualifying

Subject to the paragraph directly below, the singles Qualifying draw size at all \$15,000 and \$25,000 Tournaments must be either 32 48, or 64 players. All draw sizes are subject to ITF approval during the Tournament Application process.

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Section VIII. DRAWS

A. Composition of Draws

1. Singles

a) Qualifying (\$15,000-\$100,000)

Subject to the paragraph directly below, the singles Qualifying draw size at all Women's ITF World Tennis Tour Tournaments must be either 32, 48 or 64 players. All draw sizes are subject to ITF approval during the Tournament Application process, especially tournaments with prize money of \$60,000, \$80,000, and \$100,000 where Qualifying draw sizes larger than 32 players will only be approved by exception in weeks of few playing opportunities.

[...]

b) Main Draw

The singles Main Draws shall consist of 32 players at \$15,000 Tournaments and shall consist of 32 or 48 players at \$25,000 - \$100,000 Tournaments. Tournaments running 48 player Main Draws must have a 32 qualifying draw. All draw sizes are subject to ITF approval during the Tournament Application process.

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Section XII. PRIZE MONEY AND ATP/ITF POINTS

C. Defaults, Byes, Withdrawals and Retirements

4. Withdrawals and Retirements

- a) A doubles team withdrawing or retiring after the first round, or that retires in any round, will receive loser's points and loser's prize money from the previous round unless one of the following exceptions below is applicable in which case both players will receive loser's points and loser's prize money from the round in which they withdraw or retire. The player causing the withdrawal or retirement will not be allowed to play in any other tennis Tournament starting Monday of the next Tournament Week (unless he is still playing in singles). The exceptions are:
- i. neither player was in the singles main draw;
 - ii. both players used, or could have used, their ATP/ITF doubles ranking for entry into the doubles draw (does not apply to wild card teams);
 - iii. the retiring/withdrawing player is still in the singles competition and at the time of the medical examination is declared unfit to play in the singles of that event or, if no longer involved in the singles competition of that event, is forced to withdraw from the singles or doubles of a tournament in the following week;
 - iv. if the retiring/withdrawing player was not in the singles draw of that event and is forced to withdraw from the following week's event (single or doubles);
 - v. if the retiring/withdrawing player had withdrawn/retired from his singles match, which was scheduled the same day, or if the doubles match is scheduled for a following day the player is examined by the tournament Doctor and is declared unfit for competition in the doubles event; or
 - vi. the retiring/withdrawing player had withdrawn/retired from his doubles match due to confirmed COVID-19 positive test result, or was ruled ineligible to compete by the Supervisor based on recommendation from the Tournament Doctor in consultation with the COVID Officer and/or Public Health Authorities for suspected COVID-19 infection, or was quarantined/isolated due to being in close contact with a confirmed COVID-19 case.

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Section XIII. ITF WORLD TENNIS RANKINGS

A. Introduction

ITF World Tennis Ranking points are also awarded in ITF World Tennis Tour Tournaments. The ITF World Tennis Ranking system is a 52-week, cumulative system in which the number of Tournament results that comprise a player's ranking is capped at a player's best fourteen (14) Tournament results for singles and best fourteen (14) Tournament results for doubles. This system was modified in 2020 and again 2021 due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Points from all tournaments played 4th March 2019 onwards were frozen and therefore eligible to be counted amongst a player's best fourteen (14) tournaments. Subject to any further amendments, the ITF World Tennis Ranking is scheduled to return to a 52-week system in Week 1 of 2023 by the following procedure:

- All remaining points from 2019 (March to December) drop on 4th April 2022.
- Points from 2020 drop on a weekly basis from January 2022.
- Points from 2021 are dropped on a weekly basis, as normal during 2022.
- Ranking returns to a 52-week system in Week 1 2023.

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APPENDIX D

2021 JUNIOR EXEMPT PROJECT

A JE Application Form must be completed by each player and sent to the ITF. Applications received by or on 3 January 2022, for published tournaments in the calendar, will be processed by the ITF and tournaments allocated based on a player's position in the ITF Top 20 year-end junior ranking list in 2021. If two or more players apply for the same tournament, the JE position will be allocated to the player with the highest year-end junior ranking.

All applications received after 3 January 2022 will be treated in the order that they are received. A player may change/add tournaments at any point during the year as more tournaments are added on the ITF World Tennis Tour calendar. However, the player is required to request to the ITF the use of their Junior Exempt position at least one (1) week before the relevant entry deadline.

The ITF will not enter a player into a tournament allocated to a player under the JE Project. It is the responsibility of the player to enter into an allocated tournament by using the player's IPIN account.

If at the Entry Deadline, or at any time until the Freeze Deadline, a player moves into a Main Draw position as a result of their ranking, and the JE allocated to the player is not required, then the JE allocation shall be retained by the player for future use.

If after the Freeze Deadline a player moves into the Main Draw as a result of their own ranking, and the JE allocated to the player is not required, then the JE allocation shall not be retained by the player for a future use.

After being allocated a JE place, if a player withdraws after the Entry Deadline, the ITF shall have discretion over whether the player will retain their JE allocation for a future use or not. For example, a player who withdraws through injury before a tournament where they had been allocated a JE place may be able to retain that JE place for future use. If such withdrawals happen on several

occasions, the ITF, after prior advice, may choose not to allow the player to retain the use of the JE place.

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APPENDIX F
MEDIA, COMMERCIAL AND DATA RIGHTS

2. Media Rights

Note: These Media Rights provisions are subject to change during early 2022, as a result of the Connected Court project previously notified to National Associations. Tournaments taking place from 1 March 2022 onwards must not enter into any agreements to exercise their Media Rights without prior approval from the ITF.

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APPENDIX I
ATP / ITF WORLD TENNIS RANKING POINT TABLES

A. ATP Ranking points

ATP Ranking points will be awarded in Men’s ITF World Tennis Tour Tournaments in singles and doubles as follows:

Singles

Tournament Level	Winner	Finalist	SF	QF	R16	R32	QFR [^]	FQR [*]
\$25,000 & \$25,000 + H	<u>25</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>8</u>	3	1	-	-	-
\$15,000 & \$15,000 + H	<u>15</u>	<u>8</u>	4	2	1	-	-	-

[^] Qualifier

^{*}FQR – Qualifying Finalist

Doubles

Tournament Level	Winner	Finalist	SF	QF	R16
\$25,000 & \$25,000 + H	<u>25</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>8</u>	3	-
\$15,000 & \$15,000 + H	<u>15</u>	<u>8</u>	4	2	-

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APPENDIX K

WTA / ITF WORLD TENNIS RANKING POINT TABLES

A. WTA Ranking points

WTA Ranking points will be awarded for tournaments played in 2022 at all Women's ITF World Tennis Tour Tournaments in singles and doubles as follows:

Category (Draw Size)	W	F	SF	QF	R16	R32	R64	R128	QFR	FQR	Q2	Q1
ITF \$100,000 + H (48S, 32Q)	150	90	55	28	14	7	1	-	6	4	-	-
ITF \$100,000 + H (32S,32/24Q)	150	90	55	28	14	1	-	-	6	4	-	-
ITF \$100,000 + H (32S,48/64Q)	150	90	55	28	14	1	-	-	6	4	-	-
ITF \$100,000 + H (16D)	150	90	55	28	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ITF \$100,000 (48S, 32Q)	140	85	50	25	13	7	1	-	6	4	-	-
ITF \$100,000 (32S,32/24Q)	140	85	50	25	13	1	-	-	6	4	-	-
ITF \$100,000 (32S, 48/64Q)	140	85	50	25	13	1	-	-	6	4	-	-
ITF \$100,000 (16D)	140	85	50	25	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ITF \$80,000 + H (48S, 32Q)	130	80	48	24	12	6	1	-	5	3	-	-
ITF \$80,000 + H (32S,32/24Q)	130	80	48	24	12	1	-	-	5	3	-	-
ITF \$80,000 + H (32S, 48/64Q)	130	80	48	24	12	1	-	-	5	3	-	-
ITF \$80,000 + H (16D)	130	80	48	24	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ITF \$80,000 (48S, 32Q)	115	70	42	21	10	6	1	-	5	3	-	-
ITF \$80,000 (32S,32/24Q)	115	70	42	21	10	1	-	-	5	3	-	-
ITF \$80,000 (32S, 48/64Q)	115	70	42	21	10	1	-	-	5	3	-	-
ITF \$80,000 (16D)	115	70	42	21	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ITF \$60,000 + H (48S, 32Q)	100	60	36	18	9	5	1	-	5	3	-	-
ITF \$60,000 + H (32S,32/24Q)	100	60	36	18	9	1	-	-	5	3	-	-
ITF \$60,000 + H (32S, 48/64Q)	100	60	36	18	9	1	-	-	5	3	-	-
ITF \$60,000 + H (16D)	100	60	36	18	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ITF \$60,000 (48S, 32Q)	80	48	29	15	8	5	1	-	5	3	-	-
ITF \$60,000 (32S,32/24Q)	80	48	29	15	8	1	-	-	5	3	-	-
ITF \$60,000 (32S, 48/64Q)	80	48	29	15	8	1	-	-	5	3	-	-
ITF \$60,000 (16D)	80	48	29	15	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ITF \$25,000 + H (48S, 32Q)	60	36	22	11	6	3	1	-	2	-	-	-
ITF \$25,000 + H (32S,32/24Q)	60	36	22	11	6	1	-	-	2	-	-	-
ITF \$25,000 + H (32S, 48/64Q)	60	36	22	11	6	1	-	-	2	-	-	-
ITF \$25,000 + H (16D)	60	36	22	11	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ITF \$25,000 (48S, 32Q)	50	30	18	9	5	3	1	-	1	-	-	-
ITF \$25,000 (32S,32/24Q)	50	30	18	9	5	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
ITF \$25,000 (32S, 48/64Q)	50	30	18	9	5	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
ITF \$25,000 (16D)	50	30	18	9	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ITF \$15,000 (32S,32/24Q)	10	6	4	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ITF \$15,000 (32S, 48/64Q)	10	6	4	3	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ITF \$15,000 (16D)	10	6	4	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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ARTICLE VI: MAJOR OFFENCES

E. COMMENCEMENT OF PENALTY

Any breach by a player or Related Person of the terms of their penalty under this section VI shall be referred to the ITF Internal Adjudication Panel and dealt with pursuant to clause 5 of the *Procedural Rules governing an Internal Adjudication Panel convened under ITF Rules.*