

USATT PARALYMPIC TABLE TENNIS IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Please read carefully if you plan on competing internationally in 2011.

Please be advised that athletes are responsible for all costs associated with participation. No coaching or other on-site support will be provided unless indicated by USATT.

USATT will provide coaching support of 1 coach for up to 3 events (including 2011 US Para Open – Factor 20 – in Milwaukee, WI Jun 29-Jul 3). Coach support will be assigned to those tournaments with most participants (at least 5 athletes). Please note that USATT coaching support will include 1 Factor 20 and 1 Factor 40 tournaments respectively. However, USATT might reallocate coaching support depending on participation of athletes.

Information about entry fees, events and other details related to the 2011 tournaments will be available at the ITTF PTT calendar web page once the tournament is approved at:
<http://www.ipttc.org/calendar/index.htm>

Therefore, all players interested in participating at international tournaments in 2011 should send their intention of participation and events they want to enter to Doru@usatt.org by or before January 10, 2011. If you are not planning to participate in any tournaments in 2011, please let us know as well.

NOTES:

- There are five (5) types of tournaments under the ITTF PPT circuit. They are Factors 20, 40, 50 (Regional – Parapan American Games every 4 years), 80 (Para World Championships every 2 years) and 100 (Paralympic Games every 4 years). Classification of players is available at tournaments Factors 20 and 50. There are no Classifications at tournaments Factors 40, 80 and 100. In order to participate in a Factor 40, 80 and 100 tournaments you must have an International Classification Card (ICC).
- If players in Class 5 were not at the Para World Championships for re-assessment, they would have to participate in tournaments in 2011 in order to be eligible for the Paralympic Games. It is likely that a Classification Officer might be available at Factor 40 events at the cost of the tournament organizers.
- For Lignano, Italy (Factor 40) March 22-27 – 1st Entry Form and deposit payment is due on January 4th, 2011. So, if you are interested in participating in this tournament, please let USATT know ASAP.
- For Amman Jordan (Factor 20) and Rotterdam Netherlands (Applied Fa 40) the 1st Entry Form and deposit payments are due by January 15th, 2011.
- “Applied” for tournament doesn’t mean that the tournament is “Approved” by ITTF PTT. Therefore, it is very important that you understand the terms and conditions for tournaments and ramifications of airline tickets if purchased before a tournament is not “Approved” or “Cancelled” for any reasons and/or any payments submitted with Entry Forms.

By or before January 31st, USATT will advise which events will receive coaching support.

Please check with USATT Headquarter to enter any international events:
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