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TABLE TENNIS

WORLD RANKING

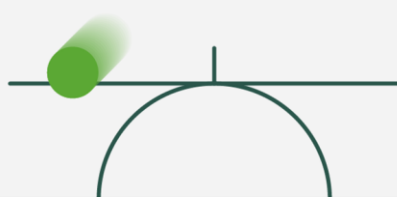
REGULATIONS



LATEST UPDATE

27th January 2026

Updated WTT Champions R16 points.



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1. BASIC PRINCIPLES

- 1.1 The ITTF Table Tennis World Ranking is the objective merit-based method used for entries and seeding at ITTF and WTT events.
- 1.2 The ITTF Table Tennis World Ranking is composed of the following lists:
 - Men's Singles
 - Women's Singles
 - Men's Doubles Pairs
 - Women's Doubles Pairs
 - Mixed Doubles Pairs
 - Men's Doubles Individuals
 - Women's Doubles Individuals
 - Mixed Doubles Individuals
- 1.3 Ranking lists are published on a weekly basis on Mondays.
- 1.4 Ranking lists are published for the Senior age category.
- 1.5 Players and pairs are ranked when having non-expired points awarded at sanctioned events.
- 1.6 Each ranking list consists of a list of players or pairs sorted by descending number of points. In case of ties, for presentation, entries selection and seeding, players and pairs are sorted by:
 - The player or pair who is not under ranking protection.
 - The player or pair with fewest non-expired, non-zero results.
 - If still tied, the player or pair with the non-expired result with the greatest number of points.
 - If still tied, the player or pair with the best non-expired result in WTT Grand Smash events.
 - If still tied, the player or pair with the best ranking in the previous week.
 - If still tied, the youngest player or pair (sum of the ages of the players).
 - If still tied, randomly sorted by the ranking calculation software.
- 1.7 Ranking points are awarded at any sanctioned events.
- 1.8 Awarded points have a validity of one (1) year, expiring next year on the same week on which they were included in the ranking, except for Continental Championships, Continental Games and Continental Cups, which shall not expire for up to twenty-six (26) extra weeks if the number of such events counting for the ranking from the corresponding Continent is not of at least two (2). After expiring, events are no longer eligible to be included in the ranking record of a player or pair.



- 1.9 The ranking of a player or pair is composed of the sum of the points of the eight (8) non-expired results with the greatest number of points, with the following restrictions:
 - 1.9.1 A maximum of one (1) result from events which exclude or forbid any player(s) from a Member Association from being permitted to enter due to their nationality (i.e., Continental, Regional or similar events).
 - 1.9.2 A maximum of four (4) results from non-Senior events.
- 1.10 Players have the right to request being removed from the rankings by submitting the retirement letter at <https://ittf.com/rankings>, signed by themselves and their Member Association, to rankings@ittf.com. Coming back to competition after that implies starting ranked with no ranking points.



2. EVENTS

2.1 The following event(s) are automatically sanctioned in the ITTF Table Tennis World Ranking:

- WTT Grand Smash
- Olympic Games
- ITTF World Table Tennis Championships Finals, Continental and Regional stages
- ITTF World Team Table Tennis Championships Finals, Continental and Regional stages
- WTT Finals
- ITTF World Cup
- ITTF Mixed Team World Cup
- WTT Champions
- WTT Star Contender
- Continental Championships (Africa, Americas, Asia, Europe, Oceania)
- Continental Cups (Africa, Americas, Asia, Europe, Oceania)
- WTT Contender
- Continental Games (African Games, Pan American Games, Asian Games, European Games)
- Multi-Sport Games (Pacific Games, Commonwealth Games)
- WTT Feeder
- U21 Continental Championships / Games (Africa, Americas, Asia, Europe, Oceania)
- U19 WTT Youth Grand Smash
- U19 ITTF World Youth Table Tennis Championships
- U19 WTT Youth Star Contender
- U19 WTT Youth Contender

2.2 The sanctioning of events listed in point 2.1 that are not organized by the ITTF/WTT is subject to abiding to the rules established in the *"ITTF Manual for Inclusion of Third-Party Events"*, available at <https://ittf.com/rankings>.



3. POINTS

3.1 The awarded points at each event for a given player consist of:

3.1.1 Singles, Doubles and Mixed Doubles competitions:

3.1.1.1 Points for the round reached at either the Main Draw or the Qualifying Draw, or the final position in the Qualifying Group for players not progressing to the Main Draw.

3.1.1.2 Additional Qualifying points (QUAL) if the player reaches the Main Draw starting in the Qualifying stage.

3.1.2 Team competitions: points for the round reached by the team to be split between the members (players and pairs), based on their share of wins of the total number of matches (or games, for game-based competitions, e.g. ITTF Mixed Team World Cup) won by the team, with the following conditions:

3.1.2.1 Requirement to achieve a minimum of 10% share to have points awarded.

3.1.2.2 Maximum of 70% share shall be awarded to any player/pair.

3.2 Players or pairs having a bye in the first round of the Main Draw and then losing in the next round, shall have points awarded for the round in which they had the bye.

3.3 Players or pairs eliminated in the Qualifying Stage and progressing to the Main Draw as *lucky-losers* shall be awarded points for the final position reached either in the Main Draw or the Qualifying Stage, whichever of the two has the greatest number of points, and without any additional Qualifying points (QUAL).

3.4 Ranking points are awarded as per the following tables, depending on the event kind, subevent and final position, where:

- QUAL: additional Qualifying points as per point 3.1.1.2.
- QER: Qualifying Elimination Round for events with Qualifying played in Groups and an additional round between the Groups and the Main Draw.
- MD: Main Draw size. E.g. MD32 – Main Draw of 32 players.
- Q: Qualifying Draw size. E.g. Q64 – Qualifying Draw of 64 players.
- Gr: Qualifying played in Groups.



SINGLES														
EVENT	MAIN DRAW								QUAL	QUALIFYING				
	W	F	SF	QF	R16	R32	R64	R128		QER	R4 / Gr. 4 th Last	R3 / Gr. 3 rd Last	R2 / Gr. 2 nd Last	R1 / Gr. Last
Olympic Games	2000	1400	900	580	380	100	20							
WTT Grand Smash (Q48 / Q64)	2000	1400	900	580	380	100	20		50			45	20	10
WTT Grand Smash (Q24 / Q32)	2000	1400	900	580	380	100	20		50				30	10
WTT Grand Smash (Q16)	2000	1400	900	580	380	100	20		50					10
ITTF World Table Tennis Championships Finals	2000	1400	900	580	380	250	70	10						
WTT Finals	1500	1050	680	450	100									
ITTF World Cup	1500	1050	680	450	300								40	15
WTT Champions	1000	700	450	300	140	15								
WTT Star Contender (Q64)	600	420	270	175	115	30	5		20			12	8	3
WTT Star Contender (Q96)	600	420	270	175	115	30	5		20		15	10	6	3
Continental Cup	500	350	175	90	10									
Continental Championships / Games	500	350	175	90	45									
WTT Contender (Q64)	400	280	180	120	30	4			15			10	6	2
WTT Contender (Q96 / Q128 / Gr)	400	280	180	120	30	4			15	15	12	7	4	2
WTT Feeder (MD32)	125	90	60	40	10	2			8	8	6	3	2	1
WTT Feeder (MD48)	125	90	60	40	25	8	2		8	8	6	3	2	1
Multi-Sport Games A	100	70	35	20	10									
ITTF WTTTC Continental Stage	100	70	35	20	10									
ITTF WTTTC Regional Stage	75	55	25	15	5									
U19 WTT Youth Grand Smash	50	35	22	15	10								2	1
U19 ITTF World Youth Championships	50	35	22	15	4	2								
U19 WTT Youth Star Contender	30	20	12	8	2								1	
Multi-Sport Games B	30	20	10	5	2									
U21 Continental Champs. / Games	20	15	8	4	2									
U19 WTT Youth Contender	10	7	5	3	1									



DOUBLES <i>(pairs and individuals)</i>										
EVENT	MAIN DRAW							QUAL	QUALIFYING	
	W	F	SF	QF	R16	R32	R64		R2	R1
Olympic Games	2000	1400	900	230	10					
WTT Grand Smash	2000	1400	900	580	150	10				
ITTF World Table Tennis Championships Finals	2000	1400	900	580	380	100	10			
WTT Star Contender	600	420	270	70	5			20		3
Continental Championships / Games	500	350	175	90	45					
WTT Contender	400	280	180	45	4			15		2
WTT Feeder	125	90	60	15	2			8	4	1
Multi-Sport Games A	100	70	35	20	10					
ITTF WTT Continental Stage	100	70	35	20	10					
ITTF WTT Regional Stage	75	55	25	15	5					
U19 ITTF World Youth Championships	50	35	22	6	2					
U19 WTT Youth Star Contender	30	20	10	5						
Multi-Sport Games B	30	20	10	5	2					
U21 Continental Champs. / Games	20	15	8	4						
U19 WTT Youth Contender	10	7	4	2						



MIXED DOUBLES (pairs and individuals)										
EVENT	MAIN DRAW							QUAL	QUALIFYING	
	W	F	SF	QF	R16	R32	R64		R2 / Gr. 2 nd Last	R1 / Gr. Last
Olympic Games	2000	1400	900	230	10					
WTT Grand Smash	2000	1400	900	580	150	10				
ITTF World Table Tennis Championships Finals	2000	1400	900	580	380	100	10			
WTT Finals	1500	1050	270	20						
WTT Star Contender	600	420	270	70	5			20		3
Continental Championships / Games	500	350	175	90	45					
WTT Contender	400	280	180	45	4			15		2
WTT Feeder	125	90	60	15	2			8	4	1
Multi-Sport Games A	100	70	35	20	10					
ITTF WTTTC Continental Stage	100	70	35	20	10					
ITTF WTTTC Regional Stage	75	55	25	15	5					
U19 ITTF World Youth Championships	50	35	22	6	2					
U19 WTT Youth Star Contender	30	20	10	5						
Multi-Sport Games B	30	20	10	5	2					
U21 Continental Champs. / Games	20	15	8	4						
U19 WTT Youth Contender	10	7	4	2						



TEAMS <i>(split between team members, see 3.1.2)</i>									
EVENT	MAIN DRAW						QUALIFYING		
	W	F	SF	QF	R16	R32	Pre. Round	Gr. 2 nd Last	Gr. Last
Olympic Games	2500	1750	1150	300	30				
ITTF Mixed Team World Cup	2500	1750	1150	300	30				
ITTF World Team Table Tennis Championships Finals	2000	1400	900	580	380	250	100	50	20
ITTF WTTTC Continental Stage	250	175	90	45	20	10			
ITTF WTTTC Regional Stage	40	30	15	8	4				



4. INCIDENTS AND PENALTIES

- 4.1 A penalty is a result of a player or pair at a sanctioned event, awarding zero (0) points, with a validity of one (1) year and always included in the best player or pair results as per point 1.9. Penalties shall only replace other non-zero results when the player or pair has reached the maximum number of results counting for the ranking.
- 4.2 Penalties are decided by the ITTF World Ranking Manager based on the report filed by the ITTF Competition Manager or the WTT Event Supervisor on site, evaluating any additional medical reports or proof provided by the involved players and/or their respective Member Associations. The decision shall be made interpreting the regulation if needed, applying fairness and equality principles.
- 4.3 Penalties may be contested by the Member Association(s) of the affected player or pair, by writing an e-mail to rankings@ittf.com maximum fourteen (14) days after the publication of the ranking in which the penalty was added.

The appeal shall be accepted for consideration if it fulfils the following requirements:

- The Member Association(s) of the player or pair submitted documents, such as a medical certificate, visa denial letter, etc. in due time.
- The reason for the penalty was either an interpretation as *unjustified* of a certain situation, or and administrative mistake on ITTF's side.
- There aren't any previous appeals for the same penalty.

The appeal shall be evaluated by a panel of members from the ITTF World Ranking Working Group. Response time: max seven (7) days. The decision of this body shall not be contested to any other bodies within the ITTF.

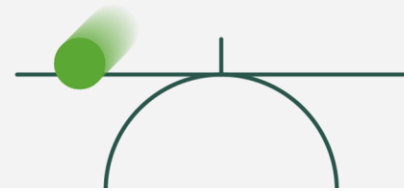
If an appeal is accepted, any changes affecting rankings shall be applied in the next rankings to be published, provided that the decision is made before Sunday 20h GMT, otherwise in the following rankings. The corrected ranking points shall be applied to the selection of entries and/or seeding at any upcoming ITTF/WTT events if the qualification and/or playing system of the event allows it. No updates shall be applied to previously published rankings.

- 4.4 Penalties are applied on the following lists depending on the competition:
- 4.4.1 Singles: Singles ranking list.
- 4.4.2 Doubles / Mixed Doubles: corresponding Pairs list and Individual list for each of the players deemed responsible for the penalty reason.
- 4.4.3 Teams: Singles or Doubles Pairs / Individuals ranking lists for the players responsible for the penalty reason.
- 4.5 A penalty shall be waived for every eight (8) ITTF/WTT events the player or pair participates in after the incident that caused the penalty.



4.6 Incidents to have consequences as per the following table:

Incident	Reason examples	Event(s)	Ranking points	Penalty?
Entry cancellation after entries deadline / entries cancellation deadline (if any)	Injury, illness, accepted in another ITTF/WTT higher tier event or any other reason considered as <i>justified</i> with provided proof at the cancellation time	All	No points	No
	Other reasons: personal decision, missed flight, budget problems, etc.	WTT Grand Smash (Main Draw), ITTF World Table Tennis Championships, ITTF World Cup, WTT Finals, WTT Champions	No points	Yes
		WTT Grand Smash (Qualifying Draw) and Rest of ITTF/WTT events	No points	Yes, on the third (3 rd) or subsequent incidents in a 12-month period
Walk-over or retirement in the first match of a subevent / Cancellation after draw	Injury, illness, or any other reason considered as <i>justified</i> with provided proof no later than the end of the event	All	No points	No
	Other reasons: personal decision, missed flight, budget problems, etc.	All	No points	Yes
Walk-over or retirement in the second or a later match of a subevent	Injury, illness, or any other reason considered as <i>justified</i> with provided proof no later than the end of the event	All	Points for the round	No



Incident	Reason examples	Event(s)	Ranking points	Penalty?
	Other reasons: personal decision, missed flight, budget problems, etc.	All	Points for the previous round	Yes
Disqualification from match	Disqualification for unsporting conduct, quitting the match because of disagreeing with umpire's decision, etc.	All	Points for the previous round	No
Disqualification from subevent / retirement from a match			No points	Yes, for the subevent
Disqualification from event			No points for all subevents	Yes, for all subevents



5. RANKING PROTECTION

- 5.1 Ranking protection is the right of players to keep, for a limited period, the ranking points that they had at the moment they requested it, which shall be used for entry and seeding at sanctioned events.
- 5.2 Ranking protection shall be applied to the Singles, Doubles Individuals and Mixed Doubles Individuals competitions based on the corresponding ranking lists.
- 5.3 Ranking protection may be requested by the Member Association of a player if the player is injured, sick, pregnant or under any other circumstances that prevent him/her from competing in table tennis events, including sanctioned and non-sanctioned events, leagues or exhibitions, for a time between 6 and 18 months.
- 5.4 The ranking protection must be requested within six (6) months after the last sanctioned event where the player competed, by filling out and sending the Ranking Protection form at <https://ittf.com/rankings> to rankings@ittf.com, together with proof documents supporting the reason of the request, such as medical certificates.

The request shall be evaluated by the ITTF Events department and a decision taken and communicated to the requesting Member Association within seven (7) days.

If the ranking protection is approved, the Member Association of the player must communicate in advance of the entries deadline of the corresponding first events in which the player is back to competition their intention to participate, entering the player into them in case of events without automatic entry by ranking.

The ranking protection must be applied to the first consecutive events of the player after the protection comes into effect, and shall be applied to one or more of the subevents (singles, doubles mixed doubles) in which the player participates in. The cancellation of the entry of the player with ranking protection shall be discounted from the number of used protected events if it is deemed as unjustified as per the ranking penalties rules from chapter 4.

- 5.5 The ranking protection duration, that is, the number of events or period when the entry and seeding using the protected ranking is applied, is determined by the duration of the player's absence as:
 - Between 6 and 12 months: 3 events or up to 6 months after the start date of the first sanctioned event where the player competes after the absence, whichever occurs first.
 - Between 12 and 18 months: 5 events or up to 9 months after the start date of the first sanctioned event where the player competes after the absence, whichever occurs first.
- 5.6 In the case of a player who returns to competition after an absence and gets injured again having a protected ranking status, a freeze of the status at that moment may be requested up to two times during the protection. The player's absence must be of at least 3 months, after which the player would continue with the original protection and remaining months and events.



6. CONTACT AND REGULATION

- 6.1 The ITTF Table Tennis World Ranking and all its applications are regulated by the most updated version of the ITTF Table Tennis World Ranking Regulations.
- 6.2 The main contact medium for any ranking matters shall be the e-mail address: rankings@ittf.com
- 6.3 In case of any issues or disputes related to these regulations, they shall be reviewed by the ITTF World Ranking Manager, who may refer them to the ITTF World Ranking Working Group.



PREVIOUS UPDATES

28th December 2025

Ranking publication day advanced to Monday.

Added first tiebreaking rule considering players under ranking protection.

Updated table of points with a new distribution of points per round for ITTF/WTT events by which middle rounds see their points increased from a 50% reduction per round to a 65% reduction, and adjustments to the different draw sizes of WTT events for 2026 season.

Added Men's / Women's Doubles and Mixed Teams points for Olympic Games as newly sanctioned subevents.

Updated the ranking penalties decision and appealing process to specify its steps and timelines.

Updated the incidents table to add the ITTF World Table Tennis Championships and ITTF World Cup as events with directly penalty for cancellations after the entries' cancellation deadline, consider any cancellations after the draw as walkovers, and discern between the three types of disqualifications with different consequences.

Updated the ranking protection procedure to include the details about the application of the protection once approved.

22nd April 2025

Added two categories of Multi-Sport Games (A and B) to the point tables.

Increased points awarded at the ITTF Mixed Team World Cup and ITTF World Team Table Tennis Championships.

Updated incidents policy to align it with the WTT Series adjustments regarding cancellations after the entries cancellation deadline.

18th December 2024

Added the WTT Youth Grand Smash as a sanctioned event.

Adjustment of the points awarded at Youth events to include the WTT Youth Grand Smash as the highest tier of Youth events together with the ITTF World Youth Championships.

WTT Finals Doubles subevent points replaced with Mixed Doubles.

WTT Star Contender and WTT Contender qualifying stage updates for Singles and Doubles, aligned with the different possible competition formats.



4th March 2024

Adapted ITTF World Cup ranking points to the playing format of the 2024 edition.

Cancellations after entries deadline in the Qualifying Draw of WTT Grand Smash event to be counted together with the rest of ITTF/WTT events for maximum 2 without penalty every 12 months.

27th February 2024

Modification of the expiration rule with exception for Continental events.

2nd February 2024

Updated R32 points for the ITTF World Team Table Tennis Championships.

1st February 2024

Added the ITTF World Table Tennis Team Championships, Continental Team Championships and ITTF WTTTC Regional Stage as sanctioned event in the rankings.

Added allocated points for the ITTF World Table Tennis Team Championships, Continental Team Championships and ITTF WTTTC Regional Stage.

Added restrictions on the minimum and maximum share of points awarded in team competitions.

10th December 2023

Updated R16 points for the ITTF Mixed Team World Cup.

24th November 2023

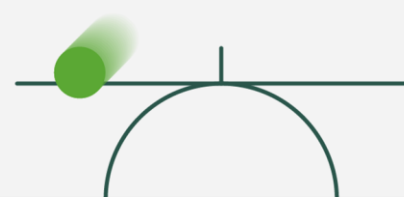
Added the ITTF Mixed Team World Cup as sanctioned event in the rankings.

Added method for awarding points at Team competitions.

Added allocated points for the ITTF Mixed Team World Cup.

Added penalized lists for team competitions.

Removed exceptional extended expiration of 2021 events.



3rd March 2023

Added R32 points to WTT Grand Smash Mixed Doubles.

Added Qualifying Elimination Round (QER) and Groups 4th Last points for the Qualifying Stage played in groups at WTT Feeder events.

Removed Doubles and Mixed Doubles unused formats at WTT Star Contender and WTT Contender.

13th February 2023

WTT Feeder points updated, with a reduction of the tier points from 150 to 125.

WTT Grand Smash R64, additional Qualifying points and Qualifying Draw points increased.

Replaced points per win in the U19 WTT Youth Star Contender Singles Qualifying Groups stage with points for the final position in the group.

Increased WTT Contender QR4 points.

Added R32 points for Mixed Doubles in the U19 ITTF World Youth Championships.

Updated ITTF World Youth Championships Singles points.

Added point 3.3 about points policy for “lucky-losers”.

Added WTT Continental Stage points and as automatically included event in the rankings.

Added WTT Regional Stage Doubles and Mixed Doubles points.

12th December 2022

2021 and 2022 Senior events to expire from the rankings in a progressive way, until the 4th of July 2023, when events will start to expire one year after included as normally.

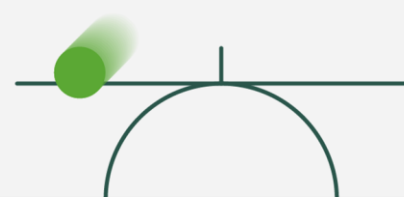
Restriction on the number of non-Senior results counting for the ranking to become a non-exceptional rule.

Added procedure and rules for players retirement.

Added WTT Continental and Regional Qualifier events as automatically sanctioned.

Removed procedure for the inclusion of third-party events.

Rewritten chapter 4 about incidents and penalties to align it with the WTT Handbook.



29th April 2022

End of the transition phase from 2020 December ITTF World Ranking and removal of the “initial points from the rankings.

Validity of 2021 Senior events exceptionally extended so that no event expires before the 31st of December 2022. Final duration of the points to be determined before 1st of January 2023.

Exceptionally restricted the number of non-Senior events that can count for the Senior ranking of a player to the best four (4). To be reviewed before 1st of January 2023.

Added Qualifying points to WTT Star Contender Doubles competitions.

Updated World Ranking Working Group composition.

30th January 2022

Validity of 2021 events exceptionally extended from 12 to 16 months, to be revised before 1st May 2022.

WTT Feeder points updated, including modified rounding of points at several rounds and points awarded for the ending position in groups stage if any.

Updated transition phase to reduce initial points from 2020 December ITTF World Ranking from 50% to 20% of their value, to be revised before 1st May 2022.

18th January 2022

Updated document title to remove “2021” prefix.

WTT Feeder points updated.

Updated transition phase to remove Olympic Qualification Ranking and already applied reductions on the initial points from 2020 December ITTF World Ranking.

Updated World Ranking Working Group composition.

21st September 2021

2021 ITTF Table Tennis World Ranking initial points freezing, at 60% of the 2020 December points, extended until week 47. Initial points to be reduced on week 48 to 50%, and to stay at 50% until the end of 2021.

3rd August 2021



2021 ITTF Table Tennis World Ranking initial points freezing, at 60% of the 2020 December points, extended until week 37.

17th June 2021

Rewording of the point 1.9.1.

Added U21 Continental Championships / Games as automatically sanctioned event.

Increased first-round loser points for International Events (singles), Continental Champs. / Games (mixed doubles) and Multi-Sport Games (mixed doubles).

Awarded points at Doubles and Mixed Doubles competitions for WTT Feeder events.

Added mandatory entry and penalty for WTT Cup Finals.

10th May 2021

2021 ITTF Table Tennis World Ranking initial points frozen at 60% of the 2020 December points. Calendar of reductions to be decided based on the calendar of events in the second half of 2021.

14th April 2021

Seeding at the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games will be conducted in accordance with the Olympic Qualification Ranking not the ITTF Table Tennis World Ranking.

20th January 2021

Following the change in the number of pairs accepted at the 2021 Middle East Hub events for Mixed Doubles, points to be awarded at QR1 and QR2 for WTT Star Contender and WTT Contender Mixed Doubles competitions with 32-pairs in the Qualifying Draw. Points awarded both at the ITTF Table Tennis World Ranking and the Olympic Qualification Ranking.