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REGULATIONS

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1. BASIC PRINCIPLES

- 1.1. The ITTF Table Tennis Youth Ranking is the objective merit-based method used for entries and seeding at ITTF and WTT Youth events.
- 1.2. The ITTF Table Tennis Youth Ranking is composed of the following lists:
 - Boys' Singles
 - Girls' Singles
 - Boys' Doubles Pairs
 - Girls' Doubles Pairs
 - Boys' Doubles Individuals
 - Girls' Doubles Individuals
 - Mixed Doubles Pairs
 - Mixed Doubles Individuals
- 1.3. Ranking lists are published on a weekly basis on Tuesdays.
- 1.4. The ITTF Table Tennis Youth Ranking is a unified ranking list with all the Under 19 ranked players. For seeding and qualification purposes, ranking lists are published for the following age categories:
 - U19
 - U17
 - U15
 - U13
 - U11
- 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 with fewest results.
 - If still tied, the player or pair with the result with the greatest number of points.
 - If still tied, the player or pair with the best result in Senior 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 1 year, expiring next year on the same week on which they were included in the ranking, regardless of the age category they were awarded at, or the age of



the player or pair. After expiring, they 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 ten (10) non-expired results with the greatest number of points, with the following restriction:
 - 1.9.1 A maximum of the best result counting for the ranking 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).
- 1.10. Players have the right to request being removed from the rankings by submitting a retirement letter 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 Youth Ranking:
 - All the Senior events sanctioned in the ITTF Table Tennis World Ranking
 - WTT Future Stars Cup
 - ITTF World Youth Championships (U19 and U15)
 - WTT Youth Star Contender (U19 and U15)
 - WTT Youth Contender (U19, U17, U15, U13 and U11)
 - Continental Championships (Africa, Asia, Europe, Oceania, Pan America in U19 and U15)
 - Regional events qualifying to the Continental Championships (U19 and U15)
- 2.2. The sanctioning of events from point [2.1](#) not organized by ITTF/WTT to be subject to abiding to the rules established by the “ITTF manual for inclusion of third-party events”.

3. POINTS

- 3.1. Points are awarded at sanctioned events either for the round reached at the Main Draw or for the position in the Qualifying Group, if not qualified to the Main Draw.
- 3.2. Players or pairs participating in more than one age category in the same event are awarded points separately for each age category, all eligible to be part of the best results counting for the ITTF Table Tennis Youth Ranking, as of point [1.9](#).
- 3.3. The number of awarded points for each event kind, age category, competition and Main Draw size are:

	SINGLES	W	F 2 nd	SF 3 rd /4 th	QF 5 th - 8 th	R16	R32	R64	R128	Qualifying		
										Groups 2 nd / 3 rd Last	Groups Last	
SEN	<i>[All Senior events sanctioned in the ITTF Table Tennis World Ranking are awarded 5x times their points at the ITTF Table Tennis Youth Ranking]</i>											
U21/ Youth	WTT Future Stars Cup	2700	1890	945	470	150						
U19	ITTF World Youth Championships	3000	2100	1050	525	265	30					
	WTT Youth Star Contender	2250	1575	790	395	195				90	40	
	WTT Youth Contender (MD 128)	750	565	420	315	235	180	135	100	10	5	
	WTT Youth Contender (MD 64)		525	365	255	180	125	90				
	WTT Youth Contender (MD 32)		450	270	160	95	60					
	WTT Youth Contender (MD 16)		375	190	95	45						
	WTT Youth Contender (MD QF)		300	120	50							
	WTT Youth Contender (MD SF)	225	70									
	Continental Events	500	350	175	90	45						
	Regional Events	100	70	35	20	10						
U18	Youth Olympic Games	2400	1680	840	420	210				24	12	
U17	WTT Youth Contender (MD 128)	350	265	195	150	110	85	60	45	8	4	
	WTT Youth Contender (MD 64)		245	170	120	85	60	40				
	WTT Youth Contender (MD 32)		210	125	75	45	25					
	WTT Youth Contender (MD 16)		175	90	45	20						
	WTT Youth Contender (MD QF)		140	55	20							
	WTT Youth Contender (MD SF)		105	30								

	SINGLES	W	F 2 nd	SF 3 rd /4 th	QF 5 th - 8 th	R16	R32	R64	R128	Qualifying	
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U15	ITTF World Youth Championships	480	335	170	85	40	10				
	WTT Youth Star Contender	360	180	90	45	25				10	4
	WTT Youth Contender (MD 128)	120	90	70	50	40	30	20	16	5	3
	WTT Youth Contender (MD 64)		85	60	40	30	20	14			
	WTT Youth Contender (MD 32)		70	45	25	15	10				
	WTT Youth Contender (MD 16)		60	30	15	8					
	WTT Youth Contender (MD QF)		50	20	8						
	WTT Youth Contender (MD SF)		35	10							
	Continental Events		80	55	28	14	8				
	Regional Events	16	12	6	4	2					
U13	WTT Youth Contender (MD 128)	65	50	35	25	20	15	10	8	3	2
	WTT Youth Contender (MD 64)		45	30	20	15	10	8			
	WTT Youth Contender (MD 32)		40	25	15	10	6				
	WTT Youth Contender (MD 16)		35	15	10	4					
	WTT Youth Contender (MD QF)		25	10	4						
	WTT Youth Contender (MD SF)		20	6							
U11	WTT Youth Contender (MD 128)	25	19	14	11	8	6	4	3	2	1
	WTT Youth Contender (MD 64)		18	12	9	6	4	3			
	WTT Youth Contender (MD 32)		16	11	7	4	3				
	WTT Youth Contender (MD 16)		15	9	5	3					
	WTT Youth Contender (MD QF)		13	6	3						
	WTT Youth Contender (MD SF)		10	4							



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	WTT Youth Contender (MD 16)		375	190	95	10			
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	WTT Youth Contender (MD SF)		225	10					
	Continental Championships		500	350	175	90	45		
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	WTT Youth Contender (MD 128)	120	85	65	45	35	25	20	6
	WTT Youth Contender (MD 64)		85	60	40	30	20	6	
	WTT Youth Contender (MD 32)		70	45	25	15	6		
	WTT Youth Contender (MD 16)		60	30	15	6			
	WTT Youth Contender (MD QF)		50	20	6				
	WTT Youth Contender (MD SF)		35	6					
Continental Championships	80		55	28	14	8			

	MIXED DOUBLES (pairs and individuals)	W	F 2 nd	SF 3 rd /4 th	QF 5 th - 8 th	R16	R32	R64	R128
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4. INCIDENTS AND PENALTIES

- 4.1. A penalty is a player or pair result at a sanctioned event, with a validity of one year, awarding 0 points and always included in the best player or pair results specified in 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 proposed by the World Ranking Manager and approved by the World Ranking Group 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 are applied on the following lists depending on the competition:
 - 4.3.1 Singles: Singles ranking list
 - 4.3.2 Doubles / Mixed Doubles: corresponding Pairs list and Individual list for each of the players deemed responsible for the penalty reason.
- 4.4. A penalty shall be waived for every five (5) ITTF/WTT events the player or pair participates in after the incident that caused the penalty.
- 4.5. Incidents at events to have consequences as per the following table:



Incident	Reason example(s)	Event(s)	Ranking points	Penalty?
Entry cancellation after entries deadline	Injury, illness, accepted in another ITTF/WTT higher tier event, etc. In any case, with provided proof at the cancellation time	All	No points	No
	Other reasons: personal decision, missed flight, budget problems, etc.	WTT Future Stars Cup, WTT Youth Star Contender	No points	Yes
		Rest of ITTF/WTT events	No points	No
Walk-over or retirement in the first match of a subevent	Injury, illness, etc. In any case, with provided proof no later than the end of the event	All	No points	No
	Other reasons: personal decision, missed flight, budget problems, etc.	WTT Future Stars Cup, WTT Youth Star Contender, ITTF World Youth Championships	No points	Yes
		Rest of ITTF/WTT events	No points	No
Walk-over or retirement in the second or a later match of a subevent	Injury, illness, etc. In any case, with provided proof no later than the end of the event	All	Points for the round	No
	Other reasons: personal decision, early departure, etc.	WTT Future Stars Cup, WTT Youth Star Contender, ITTF World Youth Championships	Points for the previous round	Yes
		Rest of ITTF/WTT events	Points for the previous round	No
Disqualification or retirement	Disqualification for unsporting conduct, quitting the match because of disagreeing with umpire's decision, etc.	All	No points	Yes



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 6 months after the last sanctioned event where the player competed, by filling out and sending the form at <https://ittf.com/rankings> to rankings@ittf.com.
- 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 Youth Ranking and all its applications are regulated by the most updated version of the ITTF Table Tennis Youth Ranking Regulation and the ITTF Table Tennis World Ranking Regulation (for points awarded at Senior events).
- 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

13th February 2023

Added R32 points for Mixed Doubles in WTT Youth Star Contender and ITTF World Youth Championships.

12th December 2022

Added procedure and rules for players retirement.

Added Regional events qualifying to the Continental Championships as automatically sanctioned.

Added conditions for non-ITTF/WTT sanctioned events to be included in the rankings.

Rewritten chapter 4 about incidents and penalties, including penalties for walk-overs in WTT Youth Star Contender events.