

Player Update

Rules and Regulations

The 2023 ITF Beach Tennis World Tour and Junior Tour Regulations have been published on the ITF website. To support the regulations, a summary of key changes document has been created.

Complementing the regulations are the 2023 ITF Beach Tennis Organisational Guidelines. These are also available on the ITF website.

Key changes to note for players:

- Net height the implementation of the 1.80m net height for men's competitions
 has been approved within the Rules of Beach Tennis. This rule will now apply for all
 ITF tournaments.
- Counting tournaments from the first ranking of 2023 (2 January 2023) the number of countable tournaments contributing to a players ranking will increase from eight (8) to ten (10) tournaments.
- Prizemoney the organisational requirements have been updated to require prizemoney paid by bank transfer to be in players' accounts ten (10) days after the conclusion of the tournament.
- Qualifier places in Main Draw for a Main Draw of thirty-two (32) players, there will now be eight (8) places available through qualifying, increased from four (4).
- Seedings seeding will now be based on the World Rankings from the Monday immediately preceding the Qualifying Sign-In Deadline.
- Hospitality tournaments offering hospitality must now provide this to eligible
 players from the day before the Main Draw commences until the day following the
 end of the tournament.
- Entry Fee the maximum entry fee for BT10, BT50, and BT100 tournaments has been increased.
- Ranking Points and Categories two new tournament categories have been created above the standard Sand Series tournament. World Ranking points have been amended to reflect these new categories and Bundle points have also been aligned with the level of tournament.

2023 Provisional Calendar

The 2023 Provisional Calendar has been published on the <u>ITF website</u>. This includes all 2023 tournaments as requested at this stage. As a provisional calendar, it does not guarantee these tournaments taking place as we have not received the application form for all tournaments. As standard, IPIN provides access to all tournaments open for entries with the ITF website holding all sanctioned tournaments.

ANOC World Beach Games

We would like to take this opportunity to confirm to all players that the ANOC World Beach Games will take place in Bali from 05-12 August 2023. Entries are managed by National Olympic Committees and the qualification system is available on the ANOC website.

Mixed Doubles Trial

Following the 2022 trial of mixed doubles at BT400 level tournaments and above, the department is producing a guidance document for tournaments delivering mixed doubles as part of their event. In addition, we will be opening the trial to include BT200 tournaments where requested.

The rankings system will continue to be run manually following tournaments with a Mixed Doubles component. In addition, tournaments will retain the ability to run the mixed doubles event in the way that works best for their tournament. Mixed Doubles events, except at World Cup and World Championships, will not be considered under the management of the ITF.