

# WHEELCHAIR TENNIS



## LONDON 2012 PARALYMPIC GAMES

MEDAL EVENTS (6)	MEN (2)	WOMEN (2)	MIXED (2)
	Singles Doubles	Singles Doubles	Singles - Quad Doubles - Quad

ATHLETE QUOTA*	Male	between 64 and 80
	Female	between 32 and 48
	Total	112

\* Includes sixteen (16) male or female athletes to qualify for the mixed quad events.

<b>ALLOCATION OF QUALIFICATION</b>	<p>For NPCs qualifying four (4) or less athletes in the men's and women's events, qualification is allocated to the individual athlete(s), not the NPC.</p> <p>For NPCs qualifying more than four (4) athletes in the men's and women's events, qualification is allocated to the NPC, not the individual athlete.</p> <p>For NPCs qualifying three (3) or less athletes in the quad event, qualification slot is allocated to individual athlete(s), not to the NPC.</p> <p>For NPCs qualifying more than three (3) athletes in the quad event the qualification slots are allocated to the NPC.</p> <p>In the case of a Bipartite Commission Invitation the qualification slot is allocated to the individual athlete not to the NPC.</p>
<b>MAXIMUM QUOTA ALLOCATION PER NPC</b>	<p>An NPC can be allocated a maximum of four (4) male and four (4) female qualification slots for athletes competing in the men's and women's events and no more than three (3) qualification slots in the quad sport class for a maximum quota allocation of eleven (11) qualification slots per NPC.</p>



<b>MAXIMUM QUOTA ALLOCATION PER NPC (continued)</b>	<p>The maximum qualification slots to be allocated per gender per sport class is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• sixty-four (64) qualification slots for the men's open sports class</li><li>• thirty-two (32) qualification slots for the women's open sport class</li><li>• sixteen (16) qualification slots for the mixed quad sport class</li></ul>
<b>ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY</b>	<p>To be eligible for selection by an NPC, athletes must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Have competed in at least one ITF Wheelchair Tennis competition between 1 January 2010 and 31 January 2012;</li><li>• Have an official ranking on the ITF Wheelchair Tennis Singles World Ranking List dated Monday 21 May; and</li><li>• Must be internationally classified with a "Confirmed" sport class status;</li><li>• For athletes receiving Bipartite Commission Invitations, the ITF and the IPC may consider athletes that do not have an official ranking on the ITF Wheelchair Tennis Singles World Ranking List dated Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May</li></ul>
<b>MAXIMUM ENTRY PER NPC</b>	<p>An NPC can enter a maximum of four (4) qualified male athletes and four (4) qualified female athletes in the men's and women's singles events, respectively.</p> <p>An NPC can enter a maximum of three (3) qualified athletes in the quad singles - (mixed gender)</p> <p>An NPC can enter a maximum of two (2) qualified men's teams and two (2) qualified women's teams comprised of two (2) athletes on each team in the men's and women's doubles events, respectively.</p> <p>An NPC can enter a maximum of one (1) qualified team comprised of two (2) athletes in the quad doubles - (mixed gender)</p>



<b>QUALIFICATION SYSTEM PRINCIPLES</b>
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<b>METHOD</b>	<b>QUALIFICATION</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>ITF WHEELCHAIR TENNIS SINGLES WORLD RANKING ALLOCATION</b>	<p>The top forty-six (46) ranked male athletes on the ITF Wheelchair Tennis Singles World Ranking list dated 21 May 2012 qualify.</p> <p>The top twenty-two (22) ranked female athletes on the ITF Wheelchair Tennis Singles World Ranking list dated 21 May 2012 qualify.</p> <p>The top twelve (12) ranked quad athletes on the ITF Wheelchair Tennis Singles World Ranking list dated 21 May 2012 qualify.</p>	<p>46 male athletes</p> <p>22 female athletes</p> <p>12 athletes</p>
<b>ITF WHEELCHAIR TENNIS REGIONAL GAMES</b>	<p>One (1) male and one (1) female qualification slots will be allocated in each one of the following Regional Games:</p> <p>2010 Asian Para Games: 1 male, 1 female</p> <p>2011 Parapan American Games: 1 male, 1 female</p> <p>The winner of the men's singles at each of the Regional Games qualifies.</p> <p>The winner of the women's singles at each Regional Games qualifies.</p> <p>Any qualification slots under this method that are not allocated will be redistributed through the ITF ranking dated Monday 21 May 2012.</p>	<p>2 male athletes</p> <p>2 female athletes</p>



<b>BIPARTITE COMMISSION INVITATION ALLOCATION</b>	Sixteen (16) eligible male athletes will be considered by the IPC and the ITF for Bipartite Commission Invitation qualification slots. To be considered for a Bipartite Commission Invitation, the ITF must receive an official application in writing from the relevant NPC.	16 male athletes
	Eight (8) eligible female athletes will be considered by the IPC and the ITF for Bipartite Commission Invitation qualification slots. To be considered for a Bipartite Commission Invitation, the ITF must receive an official application in writing from the relevant NPC.	8 female athletes
	Four (4) eligible athletes in the quad sport class will be considered by the IPC and the ITF for Bipartite Commission Invitation qualification slots. To be considered for a Bipartite Commission Invitation, the ITF must receive an official application in writing from the relevant NPC.	4 athletes
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>between 64 and</b>
	<b>Female</b>	<b>80</b>
		<b>between 32 and</b>
		<b>48</b>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>112</b>

## TIMELINE

The ITF ranking of Monday 21 May 2012 will be used to determine selection for the 2012 Paralympic Tennis event. NB the winners of the men's and women's singles at the Asian Para Games and Parapan American Games will receive direct entry.

6 February 2012 Start of Bipartite Commission Invitation application process



20 April 2012	Deadline for London 2012 Organizing Committee to receive accreditation application forms submitted by NPCs
20 May 2012	End of the period for athletes to attain performances to be recorded on the ITF Wheelchair Tennis Singles World Ranking Lists
21 May 2012	ITF Wheelchair Tennis Ranking published
22 May 2012	The ITF confirms in writing to the NPCs the number of allocated qualification slots through the ITF Wheelchair Tennis Singles World Ranking Allocation method
4 June 2012	NPCs confirm in writing to ITF the use of qualification slots allocated through the ITF Wheelchair Tennis Singles World Ranking Allocation method
4 June 2012	Deadline to submit Bipartite Commission Invitation application to ITF Wheelchair Tennis
18 June 2012	The ITF confirms in writing the reallocation of unused qualification slots and the awarding of Bipartite Commission Invitations.
6 August 2012	Deadline for London 2012 Organizing Committee to receive sport entry forms submitted by NPCs

#### **DATES / PROCESS OF CONFIRMATION OF QUALIFICATION SLOTS**

By 4 June 2012, each NPC must confirm in writing (fax and e-mail are accepted) to ITF the number of qualification slots allocated through the ITF Wheelchair Tennis World Ranking Allocation method they will use.

By 18 June 2012, relevant NPCs must confirm in writing (fax and e-mail are accepted) to ITF the use of the qualification slots – if granted - allocated through the Bipartite Commission Invitation method they will use. NPCs that have not replied by these dates will have lost their qualification slots, and ITF may reallocate these slots.

By 18 June 2012, the ITF will confirm in writing the reallocation of all unused qualification slots.

By 18 June 2012, it is officially declared that the respective NPC's will use the allocated quota granted for the London 2012 Paralympic Games. Any NPC that does not use some or all of the qualification slots allocated may be subject to sanctions by the IPC and the ITF.



## **REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUALIFICATION SLOTS**

Any qualification slots that are not used by an NPC will be reallocated by the ITF to the next highest ranked unqualified athlete on the ITF Wheelchair Tennis World Singles Ranking List dated Monday 21 May 2012.

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