ITF Beach Tennis 2020 Section A: Rule Changes

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Regulation	Principle of Change	Additional info
B. Definitions	New definitions section to be added to the Regulations. The section is a glossary for key vocabulary on the Tour such as Entry Deadline and Fact	
	Sheet.	
C. The Competition 1. Title	Amendment to definition of The Competition, from ITF Beach Tennis Tour to ITF Beach Tennis World Tour	
C. The Competition 7.	All Beach Tennis players will require an IPIN to enter ITF Beach Tennis tournaments.	
International Player		
Identification Number (IPIN)		
Membership		
E. Rules and Regulations of the	Naming and prize money brackets of tournaments to be revised as per ITF Beach Tennis re-brand. BT10 (previously Category 5/\$0) BT50	See Figure 1
Tour 12. Categories of	(previously Category 4/\$3,000) BT100 (previously Category 4/\$10,000) BT200 (previously Category 2/\$15,000), BT400 (previously Category	
Tournament	1/\$35,000)	
E. Rules and Regulations of the	Sand Series and Regional Team Cup to be added as new Tournament Categories.	See Figure 1
Tour. 12 Categories of		
Tournament		
E. Rules and Regulations of the	Amend rule so tournament week is defined by the Monday of the tournament week rather than by ISO (International Organisation for	
Tour 13. Tournament Week	Standardisation)	
E. Rules and Regulations of the	Prize money distribution table to be generic so that percentages can be applied to any prize money amount. Columns relating to specific prize	See Figure 2
Tour 15. Prize Money	money categories have been removed.	
Distribution a) Distribution per		
team		
F. Entry and Withdrawal	New section which outlines entering and withdrawing from tournaments via IPIN.	
Deadline 3. Entry and		
Withdrawal Procedures		
F. Entry and Withdrawal	Entry and Withdrawal deadline to be amended to 11 days (Thursday) and 4 days (Thursday) respectively before the Monday of the tournament	
Deadline 4. Entry and	week. Entry and Withdrawal deadlines were previously 18 days and 13 days respectively.	
Withdrawal Deadline		
F. Entry and Withdrawal 5.	Freeze deadline to be introduced and to be the same as the Withdrawal deadline – 14:00 GMT on Thursday preceding the tournament week.	
Freeze Deadline		
G. Tournament Regulations 4.	Pairs to be accepted into tournaments by best combined ranking points, as opposed to best combined ranking.	
Knock out Draws b) Seeding II		
Selection		

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G. Tournament Regulations 8.	Hospitality for the top four men's and women's teams in the acceptance list to become a requirement at all BT100, BT200 and BT400	
Hospitality	tournaments (previously just a requirement for BT200 and BT400) and should be until the day following the pair's elimination from the tournament.	
	Where the hospitality bundle is offered, hospitality should be offered to pairs 5-8 in the acceptance list in addition to pairs 1-4 (already covered by minimum requirements). Hospitality for all 8 pairs should be extended and offered until the day after the last day of the tournament.	
G. Tournament Regulations 11.	Referee's responsibilities to be amended to include the use of Tournament Planner.	
Referee		
G. Tournament Regulations 13. Match Format	Standard match format to become best of three sets, two tie-break sets with a match tie-break (10 points) in the third set should the score reach one set all. Previous standard match format was best of three tie-break sets.	
G. Tournament Regulations 15. Conditions of Play b) Between	Rule to be amended so the maximum number of rounds permitted per day is two (2) for all tournaments with the exception of BT10 and BT50 tournaments where up to 4 matches per day can be held (to allow for 16 draws at one day tournaments). Previously the rule allowed for BT100,	
Matches	BT200 and BT400 tournaments to hold four (4) rounds on all days except finals day.	
G. Tournament Regulations 17. Prize Money	Prize money payment methods clarified to outline that prize money can be paid by bank transfer in addition to cash or cheque.	
H. World Cup Regulations	ITF Beach Tennis World Team Championship to become ITF Beach Tennis World Cup in line with re-brand.	
H. World Cup Regulations D. Qualification	Line added to the Rules to state that information on the qualification process for the World Cup will be included in the Qualification System to be published separately at a later stage.	
Appendix B Tournament Categories and Ranking Points	Modest changes to ranking points and bundle points. Bundles to be available at BT100 and above only.	See Figure 3
Appendix B Tournament Categories and Ranking Points - Sand Series	Ranking points for Sand Series to be added to the Rules with 500 points on offer for the winners.	See Figure 4
Appendix B Tournament Categories and Ranking Points, Consolation Draw	Consolation draw points to be reduced and principle to be amended so that any points won in the Consolation Draw will be added to any Main Draw points won. Standard format of the consolation to be defined as 2 standard tie-break sets and 10-point match tie break in third set if score reaches one all.	See Figure 5

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Key: Pro Tour (ITF Beach Tennis Tour) Junior Tour (ITF Beach Tennis Junior Tour).

Regulation	Principle of Change	Additional info
Age Eligibility	The Junior Tour should be open to under-18s players. Boys and girls born between 1st January 2002 and 31st December 2006.	
Tournament Categories	Categories available for Junior players to be added:	
	World Championships	
	World Cup	
	Regional Championships	
	Regional Cup	
	Junior Tour U18s (one category only for first year)	
Maximum Entry Fee	Maximum entry fees for the Junior Tour:	
,	World Championships (US\$75), Regional Championships (US\$50), Junior Tour tournaments (US\$25).	
Tournament Categories and	Ranking points for Junior Tour and Regional Individual Championships to be added, with 100 points on offer for the winners.	Figure 6
Ranking points – Tour and		
Regional Individual		
Championships		
Tournament Categories and	Ranking points for World Championships to be added with 200 points on offer for the winners.	Figure 7
Ranking points – World		
Championships		
World Cup and Regional Cup	Introduction of ranking points for World and Regional Team competitions.	Figure 8 and 9
Ranking points		
Ranking	Introduction of official ITF Beach Tennis Junior Ranking. Best 4 tournaments played to contribute.	

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Appendix I Alternative Court	Standard net height for men only to increase to 1.8m (women's net height to remain 1.7m) and to remove references to the net	
Measurements – 1.8m net	height being at the discretion of the Referee.	
height		
Appendix III – The Ball	Flexibility enabled to test alternative ball colours off competition.	

Section B: Rule Changes Tables ITF Beach Tennis Tour 2020

Regulation	Proposed Tables f	or 2020		Current Tables in	n 2019 (whei	e applicable)			
Figure 1 –	World Champion	ships (Individual)		World Champic	onships (Indi	vidual)				
Categories of Tournaments	World Cup (Tean	<u>n)</u>		World Team Ch						
	Regional Champi	onships (Individual)		Regional Cham	pionships (Ir	idividual)				
	Regional Cup (NE	EW, Team)		NA						
	Sand Series (NEV	V, \$35,000+)		NA						
	BT400 (\$35,000 -	- \$100,000)		Category 1 (\$35	5,000+)					
	BT200 (\$15,000 -	- \$24,000)		Category 2 (\$15	5,000)					
	BT100 (\$10,000 -	- \$14,000)		Category 3 (\$10	0,000)					
	BT50 (\$4,000 – \$	9,000)		Category 4 (\$3,	000)					
	BT10 (No prize m	noney)		Category 5 (No	prize money	/)				
Figure 2 – Prize	Finishing	Proportion of total		Finishing	\$3,000	\$10,000	\$15,000	\$35,000	Proportion of total	
Money Distribution	position	Prize Money		position					Prize Money	
	Winner	20%		Winner	600	2,000	3,000	7,000	20%	
	Runner-up	12%		Runner-up	360	1,200	1,800	4,200	12%	
	Semi-finalist	5%		Semi-finalist	150	500	750	1,750	5%	
	Q-finalist	2%		Q-finalist	60	200	300	700	2%	
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Regulation	Proposed	d Table	es for 2020								Cı	urrent Table	s in 2019 (whe	re appli	cable)					
Figure 3 – Tour Ranking Points		Tourn	ament Catego		Vinne r	Final	Semi Final	Quarter Final	R16	R32			Tournament cat	egory	Winner	Final	Semi Final	Quarter Final	R16	R32
		BT40	00		400	240	144	72	36	18			Category 1		400	240	144	72	36	18
		BT20	00	-	200	<u>120</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>18</u>	9			Category 2		150	90	54	27	14	7
		BT10	00		100	60	36	18	9	5	1		Category 3		100	60	36	18	9	5
		BT50	<u>)</u>		<u>5</u> 0	<u>30</u>	<u>18</u>	9	<u>5</u>	-			Category 4		30	18	11	5	3	-
		BT10			10	6	4	2	-	-			Category 5 (r prize money)		10	6	4	2	-	-
	Optio nal Bundl	abov			<u>40</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>14</u>	7	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>	<u> </u>	Optional Bundles	TV (+T) Categ	ory 1-	60	36	22	11	5	3
	es	BT10	oitality (+H) 00 and abov		<u>20</u>	<u>12</u>	7	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>	1			Hospitality (+ Category 1-4		40	24	14	7	4	2
			iating (+O) 10 and abov	<u>e</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>			Officiating (+ Category 1-4		20	12	7	4	2	1
Figure 4 – Sand Series Ranking Points	Wini	ner_	<u>Final</u>	Semi Fir	nal_	Quart Fina		<u>R16</u>	R32	2	N,	/A					I	ı	l	l_
	<u>50</u>	<u>0</u>	300	<u>180</u>		<u>90</u>		<u>45</u>	<u>23</u>											
Figure 5 –		Catego	ory	Winner	rs		<u>I</u>	•		,		Category	Winner	Final	Semi					
Consolation Draw Ranking Points		BT40	<u>10</u>	<u>17</u>								2	36 14	18	3 7	9				
		BT20	10	<u>8</u>								3	9		5	3				
												4	5		3	-				
		<u>BT10</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>4</u>								5	4		-	-				
		<u>BT50</u>	0	<u>2</u>																
		BT10	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>																

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Regulation	Proposed Tal	oles for 202	0			
Figure 6 – Tour and	<u>Winners</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>SF</u>	<u>QF</u>	<u>R16</u>	<u>R32</u>
Regional Individual						
Championships Ranking Points	<u>100</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>5</u>
Ranking Points						
Figure 7 - World						
Championship	<u>Winners</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>SF</u>	<u>QF</u>	<u>R16</u>	<u>R32</u>
Ranking Points	<u>200</u>	<u>120</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>9</u>

Figure 8 – World	Nation's Position	Ranking points	Nation's Position	Ranking points
Cup Ranking Points	<u>1st</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>17th</u>	30
	<u>2nd</u>	130	<u>18th</u>	<u>29</u>
	<u>3rd</u>	<u>110</u>	<u>19th</u>	<u>28</u>
	<u>4th</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>20th</u>	<u>27</u>
	<u>5th</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>21st</u>	<u>24</u>
	<u>6th</u>	<u>68</u>	<u>22nd</u>	<u>23</u>
	<u>7th</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>23rd</u>	<u>22</u>
	<u>8th</u>	<u>64</u>	<u>24th</u>	<u>21</u>
	<u>9th</u>	<u>56</u>	<u>25th</u>	<u>18</u>
	<u>10th</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>26th</u>	<u>17</u>
	<u>11th</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>27th</u>	<u>16</u>
	<u>12th</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>28th</u>	<u>15</u>
	<u>13th</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>29th</u>	<u>12</u>
	<u>14th</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>30th</u>	<u>11</u>
	<u>15th</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>31st</u>	<u>10</u>
	<u>16th</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>32nd</u>	<u>9</u>
Figure 9 – Regional	Nation's Position	Ranking points	Nation's Position	Ranking points
Cup Ranking Points	<u>1st</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>17th</u>	<u>21</u>
	<u>2nd</u>	<u>87</u>	<u>18th</u>	<u>20</u>
	<u>3rd</u>	<u>73</u>	<u>19th</u>	<u>19</u>
	<u>4th</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>20th</u>	<u>18</u>
	<u>5th</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>21st</u>	<u>17</u>
	<u>6th</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>22nd</u>	<u>16</u>
	<u>7th</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>23rd</u>	<u>15</u>
	<u>8th</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>24th</u>	<u>14</u>
	<u>9th</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>25th</u>	<u>13</u>
	<u>10th</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>26th</u>	<u>12</u>
	<u>11th</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>27th</u>	<u>11</u>
	<u>12th</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>28th</u>	<u>10</u>
	<u>13th</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>29th</u>	<u>9</u>
	<u>14th</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>30th</u>	<u>8</u>
	<u>15th</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>31st</u>	<u>7</u>
	<u>16th</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>32nd</u>	<u>6</u>