

## ITF Masters Tour – 2026 Summary of Regulation Changes

Please find below a summary of the key Regulation changes being implemented on the ITF Masters Tour in 2026. Please note that this document highlights the main rule changes for 2026 – please refer to the full ITF Masters Regulations 2026 [here](#).

### **Masters Tour Regulations**

#### **5. International Player Identification Number (IPIN) – increase (Page 3)**

Each tournament entry (whether for Singles or Doubles or both) must be accompanied by a USD \$12.00 IPIN fee (Tournament IPIN Fee). The IPIN Fee shall be paid for the first Five (5) tournaments in a calendar year, up to a maximum of \$60.00 USD, after which the fee will be waived.

#### **5. International Player Identification Number (IPIN) (Page 3)**

Revision of regulation to mandate the \$12 IPIN fee payment through electronic payment on IPIN for MT400, MT700 & MT1000 effective from 3 April 2024.

#### **14. Sanction Fee - increase (Page 11):**

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|---------------------------|--------|---------|
| Grade                     | MT1000 | \$ 1300 |
| Grade                     | MT700  | \$ 1150 |
| Grade                     | MT400  | \$ 850  |
| Grade                     | MT200  | \$ 625  |
| Grade                     | MT100  | \$ 450* |
| National Team Events      |        | \$ 500  |
| Regional Team(Club/State) |        | \$ 650  |
| Regional Team(National)   |        | \$ 900  |

New tournaments at MT100 will pay a discounted sanction fee of \$150 USD in their first year only. The amount of \$450 shall only be charged if a Grade MT100 Tournament has 100 or more players in the Tournament and/or 5+ age and gender events. Existing Tournaments with less than 100 total players and who stage 4 or less age and gender events shall pay a sanction fee of \$125 per age and gender that is held.

#### **27. Criteria for Acceptance – introduction of WTN DA at all grades (Page 23)**

ITF Ranking to remain the primary measure of singles acceptance. Main Draw Direct Acceptances will be determined accordingly. Additionally, the Verified World Tennis Number (WTN) will be used to allocate a designated number of Main Draw Direct Acceptances within each draw size as set out in the table(s) below:

#### **MT100, MT200 and MT400 Singles Main Draw**

| Position   | 8 draw | 16 draw | 24 draw   | 32 draw    | 48 draw    | 64 draw    | 96 draw    | 128 draw   |
|------------|--------|---------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| DA Ranking | 4      | 10      | 8<br>(16) | 14<br>(22) | 24<br>(32) | 36<br>(44) | 58<br>(66) | 80<br>(88) |
| DA WTN     | 2      | 4       | 6         | 8          | 12         | 16         | 24         | 32         |
| Q          | N/A    | N/A     | 8         | 8          | 8          | 8          | 8          | 8          |
| WC         | 2      | 2       | 2         | 2          | 4          | 4          | 6          | 8          |

## MT7000, MT1000 and World Championships Singles Main Draw

| Position   | 8 draw | 16 draw | 24 draw | 32 draw | 48 draw | 64 draw | 96 draw | 128 draw |
|------------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| DA Ranking | 5      | 12      | 11 (19) | 18 (26) | 30 (38) | 44 (52) | 72 (80) | 96 (104) |
| DA WTN     | 1      | 2       | 3       | 4       | 6       | 8       | 10      | 16       |
| Q          | N/A    | N/A     | 8       | 8       | 8       | 8       | 8       | 8        |
| WC         | 2      | 2       | 2       | 2       | 4       | 4       | 6       | 8        |

This rule change is especially important when draws are oversubscribed.  
Increase in number of Wild Cards (WC) for 96 or 128-player draws.

### **37. Seed Exempts – Singles and Doubles – Further Guidance (Page 39)**

Additional guidance offered regarding seed exempts, to clarify how they can be used. The regulation has been updated to directly reference WTN, supporting tournaments in making decisions. Seed exempts can be ranked or unranked players / teams.

Tournament Committees are advised to consider a player's World Tennis Number (WTN) when determining seed exempts, particularly in cases where the player may have limited or no ITF ranking but demonstrates a strong WTN. This consideration should form part of the seed exempt process to ensure fairness and recognition of competitive ability.

Based on rankings, the seeded players are projected to be:

1. ITF Ranking = 10. WTN = 6.5.
2. ITF Ranking = 25. WTN = 8.2.
3. ITF Ranking = 47. WTN = 8.7.
4. ITF Ranking = 65. WTN = 12.2.

This document offers a more detailed explanation of seed exemptions.

[www.itftennis.com/media/14614/itf-masters-seed-exempt-guidance.pdf](http://www.itftennis.com/media/14614/itf-masters-seed-exempt-guidance.pdf)

### **44. Bonus Draws – Starting matches prior to draw being created - Further Guidance (page 47)**

If time and court availability allow, the Tournament Organiser should hold a Bonus draw for players who lose their first match in the first or second round of the Main Draw singles events.

Bonus draw matches can be scheduled by the Referee prior to making and publishing draws. Where this occurs, the draw will be made by 18.00pm on the same day as the first matches that are played in the bonus draw event unless all matches are not complete on the following day

## **National Closed Championships**

### **MT100 and MT200 Tournaments – IPIN Fee - Increase – (Page 110)**

Each tournament entry (whether for Singles or Doubles or both) must be accompanied by a USD \$5.00 IPIN fee ("Tournament IPIN Fee"). The Tournament IPIN Fee will only be fully refunded to a player that withdraws from the Tournament prior to the Withdrawal Deadline.

**MT400 and MT700 Tournaments – IPIN Fee - Increase – (Page 110)**

Each tournament entry (whether for Singles or Doubles or both) must be accompanied by a USD \$12.00 IPIN fee (“Tournament IPIN Fee”). The Tournament IPIN Fee will only be fully refunded to a player that withdraws from the Tournament prior to the Withdrawal Deadline.

**MT700 - Use of Tournament Software Programme (TP) – (Page 110)**

Tournament Organisers hosting a MT700 level must use the official ITF tournament software (TP) for collecting and submitting results to the ITF. Tournament organisers are strongly encouraged to use the online entry facility provided by the ITF.

**MT100, MT200 & MT400 - Use of Tournament Software Programme (TP) – (Page 110)**

If a Tournament Organiser hosting a MT100, MT200 or MT400 level tournament chooses not to use the ITF Tournament Planner (TP), as their main software, Tournament Planner (TP) must be used alongside as the primary program. For Tournaments not using Tournament Planner as their main program, results must be uploaded into Tournament Planner within 7 days of the tournament end date.

**World Championships Regulations****47. Entitlement to Rest (Page 81)**

If the schedule is delayed, players may play up to three matches per day at the World Team Championships, including singles or doubles.