

**INTERNATIONAL TENNIS FEDERATION  
WHEELCHAIR TENNIS  
Classification Rules**

**Summary of Changes – Version 3.0  
January 2023**

**Part Three: Player Evaluation**

**6. Overview of Eligibility and Classification**

6.9 In accordance with article 7.8 in the IPC International Standard for Athlete Evaluation, the ITF may rely on the Player’s MRF, supporting evidence and certification that he/she satisfies the requirements of Articles 6.1 and 6.2 to allow him/her to start competing in the Open or Quad Division (subject to the provisions of Article 16.3), but by doing so it does not waive any rights. In accordance with Article 16.3, the ITF will designate the Player with Sport Class Status New (N), and it has the right at any time in its absolute discretion to investigate and/or to require the Player to demonstrate to its satisfaction that he/she does in fact satisfy the requirements of Articles 6.1 and 6.2.

**Part Four: Classification Panels, Evaluation Sessions, and Sport Class Status**

**13. Classification Panel Responsibilities**

13.3 Save where the Player is being Observed in Competition, the Evaluation Session must take place in a controlled non-competitive environment that allows for the repeated observation of key tasks and activities.

**16. Sport Class Status**

*Note: As indicated in previous editions of these Classification Rules, from 1 January 2023, Sport Class Status Review Transition (RT) has been removed.*

16.3 In accordance with Article 6.9, a Player who meets the requirements of Articles 6.8 will be designated Sport Class Status New (N) by the ITF. A Player wishing to compete in the Open or Quad Division must file a Medical Registration Form with the ITF at least three months prior to the first ITF Wheelchair Tournament in which he/she wishes to compete. The Head of Classification will undertake an initial review of the Medical Registration Form (and any supporting Diagnostic Information), or assign responsibility to a Classification Panel, as required, to determine (on a provisional basis only) whether the Player meets the requirements of Part Three of Appendix One. Provided that the Head of Classification (or Classification Panel, if appointed) determines (provisionally) that the Player meets the requirements of Part Three of Appendix One, the ITF will designate him/her with Sport Class Status New (N), and he/she will be provisionally eligible to compete in the assigned Division pending full Classification (i.e., without first attending an Evaluation Session), subject to the following:

16.3.1 he/she may only participate in a maximum of four ITF Wheelchair Tournaments, all of which must be at ITF3 or ITF Futures Series (and following which the Player will not be eligible to compete in any further ITF sanctioned Wheelchair Tournaments before attending an Evaluation Session); and

16.3.2 he/she may at any time during the period of provisional eligibility be required to attend an Evaluation Session, at the absolute discretion of the ITF.

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