

## ITF BEACH TENNIS WORLD TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

Week Commencing 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019

Moscow, Russia

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**INTRODUCTION**

The World Team Championship is a mixed competition open to all ITF member National Associations in which nations compete against each other on a knock-out basis. The World Team Championship is one of the flagship events on the ITF Beach Tennis Tour.

The Main Draw ('Finals') will be limited to 16 nations. Further details are provided in the 'Adult Competition' section of this fact sheet.

A Junior competition will again be held for players aged 14 & Under to recognise and stimulate the development of the sport at a junior level. Please refer to the Junior Competition section at the end of this fact sheet for full details.

**GENERAL INFORMATION (applicable for adult and junior competitions)****DATES**

The ITF Beach Tennis World Team Championship 2019 will take place in the week commencing 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019.

A provisional schedule is provided below and will be finalised once entries are confirmed:

- The Main Draw and the Junior competition will begin on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July unless otherwise advised.
- The Main Draw final will take place on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July and the Juniors final and Prize Giving Ceremonies will take place on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July unless otherwise advised.
- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July will be the official departure day.

**VENUE**

National Tennis Centre of Russia,  
Leningradskoe shosse, 45-47,  
Moscow  
Russia

**EVENT INFORMATION**

Ball Type: Quicksand  
Match courts: 6  
Practice courts: 2  
Referee: Philippe Gros

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## TEAM ENTRIES

The ITF Beach Tennis World Team Championship is open to all member nations of the ITF. The ITF is the entry authority for the event. The National Association of each nation is responsible for the entry and nomination of the team (Main Draw and/or Junior).

The Entry Form must be completed by the National Association and submitted to the ITF (email: [beachtennis@itftennis.com](mailto:beachtennis@itftennis.com), Fax +44 020 8392 4735) **by no later than Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2019**.

**Nations will be informed of their position on the Acceptance List (Main Draw and Junior competition) immediately following the Entry Deadline.**

## TEAM NOMINATIONS

Player and captain nominations must be submitted to the ITF (email: [beachtennis@itftennis.com](mailto:beachtennis@itftennis.com), Fax +44 020 8392 4735) **by no later than Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2019**.

All nominated players and captain(s) must meet the requirements to represent that nation under the 'Eligibility of a Player or Captain to Represent a Nation' in the ITF Beach Tennis Tour Rules and Regulations 2019.

## ENTRY FEE

### Adult

#### Main Draw

The entry fee of US\$1250 per nation is payable to the ITF upon entry.

#### Junior

The entry fee of US\$250 per nation is payable to the ITF upon entry.

## TRAVEL AND TRANSPORT

A complimentary airport transfer service will be provided for all players and captains of the Main Draw and Junior competition on the official arrival (30<sup>th</sup> June & 1<sup>st</sup> July) and departure (8<sup>th</sup> July) days. For additional team members and guests, airport and railway transfers will be charged as follows:

1. **Passenger car:** SVO 1800 rub (approx. US\$28); DME 2160 rub (approx. US\$34); VKO 2160 rub (approx. US\$34), railway station 1800 rub (approx. US\$28).
2. **Minibus up to 8 seats:** SVO 4560 rub (approx. US\$71); DME 4800 rub (approx. US\$74); VKO 4560 rub (approx. US\$71), railway station 4200 rub (approx. US\$65)
3. **Minibus from 6 to 20 seats:** all airports 7920 rub (approx. US\$123) ; railway station 6600 rub (approx. US\$102).

All teams (Main Draw and Junior) wishing to use the official transportation service must email their airline, flight number, arrival airport and time to Maria Karpenko ([btwtc@mail.ru](mailto:btwtc@mail.ru) tel: +7-910-477-87-45) by no later than 24 June 2019.

Nearest international airport: Sheremetyevo (16 km to hotel).

Nearest train station: Belorusskiy (10 km to hotel).

Free daily shuttles between the hotel and tournament site will be provided throughout the Main Draw and Junior competition.

Other travel costs will not be covered or reimbursed by the Host Organiser or the ITF.

## VISA

Most individuals will require a Visa to enter Russia. Please contact the Russian Tennis Federation (email: [visa@russport.ru](mailto:visa@russport.ru) or tel: +7 916 2143837) with a passport copy for each person a minimum of 1 (One) month before travelling. The Visa application process can take significantly longer than ten (10) days in some countries. The Visa Deadline period starts in 1(one) week before the tournament.

All professional players and their support personnel should apply for Humanitarian Sport Visa. Persons found participating in tennis tournaments in the Russian Federation on the wrong Visa type (tourist Visa, work Visa, etc) may have their Visa cancelled according with Immigration legislation of the Russian Federation.

## HOSPITALITY

### Adult

Main Draw teams will receive hospitality in the official hotel for two male and two female players and a non-playing captain starting with dinner on the Main Draw arrival day (Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July) and ending with breakfast on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July. Hospitality shall include full board accommodation (breakfast, lunch and dinner) on twin room basis (two players per room).

Accommodation rates in the official hotel for all other competitors and accompanying persons are provided below.

## Junior

All junior teams will receive hospitality in the official hotel for a maximum of three girl and three boy players and a non-playing captain starting with dinner on the Junior competition arrival day (Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July) and ending with breakfast on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July. Hospitality shall include full board accommodation (breakfast, lunch and dinner) on a twin/triple room basis for the players (two/three same-sex players per room) and a single room basis for the non-playing captains.

## Official Hotel

All participants should contact Maria Karpenko ([btwtc@mail.ru](mailto:btwtc@mail.ru) tel: +7-910-477-87-45) to book a place in the official hotel.

Accommodation rates in the official hotel and meal prices are for all other competitors and accompanying persons are provided below.

### Name: Holiday Inn Seligerskaya

Address: Korovinskoye Schosse, 10, Moscow

Hotel room prices (in Russian Roubles) for a standard room per night, including breakfast are below:

Single	Twin	Triple
4850 (approx. 75 USD)	5650 (approx. 88 USD)	6250 (approx. 97 USD)

A lunch service will be available on-site for 1,500 Roubles (approx. US\$23). Dinner at the hotel is available for 1,790 Roubles (approx. US\$28).

## ADULT COMPETITION

### ALLOCATION PROCESS

The Main Draw will consist of 16 nations, which will be comprised of **14** Direct Acceptances and **2** Wild Cards.

Acceptance Type	Total
Direct Acceptance	14
Wild Card	2
Draw Size	<b>16</b>

### Direct Acceptance

Direct Acceptance slots will be allocated according to the final standings from the 2018 World Team Championship. The highest placed nations from each Region will qualify, up to the maximum quota per Region outlined below:

Region	Quota of nations per region
Africa	2
Asia/ Oceania	2
Europe	6
North America (USA/Canada), Central America and Caribbean	2
South America	2

If it is not possible to fill a regional quota based on the 2018 final standings, the remaining regional slot will be offered to the next nation within that region to submit an entry, based on the strength (combined ranking of best two male and best two female players) of the nation's provisional nomination

If a regional slot(s) remains unallocated, i.e there is not a sufficient number of entries received from nations within a region to fill the allocated regional quota, the slot will be released and awarded to the next eligible entered nation from any region in accordance with the 2018 final standings. This may result in an amendment to the regional quotas.

### Wild Cards

Wild Cards will be appointed by the ITF. If a Nation would like to apply for a Wild Card, please email [beachtennis@itftennis.com](mailto:beachtennis@itftennis.com) as soon as possible to register an expression of interest.

#### **FORMAT**

The Main Draw is a knock-out format with a reverse draw to provide a finishing position for each nation. A tie is comprised of one Women's Doubles, one Men's Doubles and one Mixed Doubles match.

Each team must consist of a minimum of two male players and two female players and a maximum of three male and three female players and one non-playing captain.

Each nation has the right to include a non-playing captain in their team or to nominate a playing member of their team as captain. The captain must have reached a minimum age of 23 by the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019.

#### **RANKINGS**

ITF Beach Tennis Ranking points will be awarded to players based on their team's final standing for that year.

Please refer to 'World Team Championship Regulations' in the ITF Beach Tennis Tour Rules and Regulations for full details.

## **JUNIOR COMPETITION**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

Participation in the Junior competition is not a requirement for participation in the adult competition.

The Junior competition is a separate event and the results will not count towards the adult competition.

There are no Ranking points available for the junior event. No member of the junior team (including the captain) is permitted to compete in the adult competition.

#### **AGE ELIGIBILITY**

Players must be born between 1<sup>st</sup> January 2004 and 31<sup>st</sup> December 2007 to be eligible to compete. The captain is responsible for all members of the team throughout the competition (on and off site). The captain must have reached a minimum age of 23 by the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019.

#### **FORMAT**

Ties between nations will comprise of a boys' doubles, girls' doubles and mixed doubles match.

The format for the junior event will be determined by the ITF and Organising Committee and will be based on the number of entries received.

A junior team must consist of a minimum of two boys and two girls and a non-playing captain but may consist of a maximum of three boys and three girls. The captain shall not be a member of the adult team.