

ITF World Tennis Tour Advance Entry in Doubles

The ITF is pleased to announce that from August (exact date to be confirmed) ITF World Tennis Tour Men's \$25,000 and Women's \$25,000, \$60,000, \$80,000, and \$100,000 Tournaments will have an Advance Entry system for the Doubles competition.

The ITF has been working on introducing a system to allow doubles teams to enter ITF tournaments in advance rather than only being able to sign in onsite. This change will allow players to plan their schedules more effectively and at less cost, as well as professionalising the entry system for Doubles entries.

Some key principles:

- ITF World Tennis Tour Doubles competitions will remain 16-team competitions.
- Up to 7 teams can be accepted by Advance Entry. The remaining teams, including any vacancies from the Advance Entry period, will be filled by onsite entries and wild cards.
- Advance Entry teams will be accepted by ATP/WTA/ITF Doubles ranking; onsite teams will
 continue to be accepted by "Best of" ATP/WTA/ITF Singles and/or Doubles ranking
- Advance Entry deadline is 12 days prior to the tournament at 14:00 GMT. This is the day after the ITF singles withdrawal deadline.
- All entries will be made through IPIN. One player of the team will propose the partnership and the partner will need to confirm acceptance.
- To make a doubles entry in IPIN, players will need their partner's IPIN number or their IPINregistered email. All partnerships must be confirmed before the 14:00 GMT Entry deadline or the partnership will be removed.
- Teams are Committed to the event at the Doubles Withdrawal/Freeze Deadline, 4 days prior to the Monday of the Tournament Week, which is the same time as the Singles Freeze Deadline.
- Prior to the Withdrawal/Freeze Deadline, withdrawals from Advance Entry Doubles positions may take place without penalty.
- \$15,000 tournaments will not offer Advance Entry for Doubles. Entry at these tournaments will be On-Site only.

More detailed information around the rules and answers to "Frequently Asked Questions" will be sent in the following weeks. Please do not hesitate to contact www.womens@itftennis.com or mens@itftennis.com with questions.

We look forward to the implementation of Advance Entry for Doubles and we look forward to feedback.