

## INTERNATIONAL TABLE TENNIS FEDERATION Headquarters, Operations, Olympic and Paralympic Games

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TO:ITTF Member AssociationsCC:International Paralympic Committee

Subject: ITTF Tournament Credit System for Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games

Dear Member Associations Presidents, Dear Secretaries General,

As a follow-up to our letters Ref. **2020\_rc\_0016** and **2020\_rc\_0029**, we would like to provide you an update as follows:

The situation with the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak has been somehow unprecedent in recent times, and it has forced the ITTF, in agreement with the China Administration of Sport for Persons with Disabilities (CASPD), and with the Italian Table Tennis Federation (FITET), to postpone the ITTF Factor 40 Para China Open, Hangzhou (CHN), and the ITTF Factor 20 Lignano Masters Open 2020, Lignano (ITA), which were due to be held in March.

Identically, the organization of the IWAS World Games decided to postpone the IWAS World Games 2020 (Factor 20), scheduled for the month of February in Nakhon Ratchasima (THA).

With the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games Tournament Credit System (TCS) period being from 01/01/2019 until 31/03/2020, conscious of the limited options of participation in Factor 40 Tournaments during this cycle, and the total number of opportunities to compete over the 15 months qualification period, the ITTF, in consultation with the International Paralympic Committee and the ITTF Athletes Commission has decided to waive the need to meet criterion A of the TCS for all players.

Therefore, in order to become eligible to participate at the Table Tennis events at the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games, the players will need criterion B only, and not criteria A and B.



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