

## THE TABLE TENNIS FEDERATION OF INDIA

### Regulations for Ranking & Seeding Rules: 2008

1. (a) The Federation through its Classification Committee will announce Classification/Ranking for the purpose of seeding for Men and Women after the conclusion of each of the following Championships :-
  - (i) All India Inter-Institutional Championships.
  - (ii) National Ranking Championships, West Zone.
  - (iii) National Ranking Championships, East Zone.
  - (iv) National Ranking Championships, North Zone.
  - (v) National Ranking Championships, Central Zone.
  - (vi) National Ranking Championships, South Zone.
  - (vii) Prize Money Tournament of more than RS. 2,00,000/-
- B. Federation will also announce Classification/Ranking for Youth event, Juniors and Sub-Juniors after the conclusion of each of the following Championships :-
  - (i) National Ranking Championships, West Zone.
  - (ii) National Ranking Championships, East Zone.
  - (iii) National Ranking Championships, North Zone.
  - (iv) National Ranking Championships, Central Zone.
  - (v) National Ranking Championships, South Zone.
- C. The ranking for the year 2008 of all categories shall be announced after the conclusion of the National Championships.
- D. The Ranking List announced for the year 2007 will be considered for seeding purpose for the 1st Tournament for the year 2008.
- E. For the 2nd Tournament of the year 2008 Points equal to the Ranking Tournaments of the last Nationals and performance of the 1st Ranking Tournament of the year will be counted for the ranking purpose.
- F. For the 3rd Tournament of the year 2008, the performance of the last two Tournaments will be counted for the Seeding purpose.
- G. For the remaining Tournaments of the year 2008 the performance after every Tournament will be added for Seeding purpose.
- H. The Ranking and Classification shall be announced up to 16 positions in Men and Women and Eight positions, in Youth Boys & Girls, Junior Boys & Girls and Sub-Junior Boys & Girls.
- I. The Federation shall maintain through its Classification Committee, a record of the age and date of birth for the Youth, Junior, Sub-Junior and Cadet categories for Boys and Girls.
- J. The date of Birth for Youth Junior, Sub-Junior and Cadet categories for Boys and Girls for the year 2008 shall be as follows :
  1. Youth Boy's & Girls should have been born on or after 01.01.1988.
  2. Junior Boys and Girls-should have been born on or after 01.01.1992.
  3. Sub-Junior Boys and Girls-should have been born on or after 01.01.1995.
  4. Cadet Boys & Girls-should have been born on or after 01.01.1997.The above details shall be clearly mentioned in all the prospectus and entry forms of all the Championships organised by the Federation and also held under the auspices of the Federation.

- K. Only three appearances will be allowed to play their main eligible events in Junior and two appearances will be allowed in Sub-Junior and Cadet events.
- L. The entry forms for various Championships have a separate column for indicating the age of the players and the forms received without filling up the age details may be rejected by the Technical Committee/ Chief Referee of the Championships.
- M. A player who wishes to register him self/herself as a Youth, Junior Sub-Junior or Cadet player with the Federation and playing in any recognised Tournaments organised by the Federation must carry a Bonafide Age Certificate from the Educational Institution where he or she is studying, indicating the class at present irrespective of the fact whether he/she has already submitted the age certificate to the Federation earlier. Two copies of passport size photos should also be attached with the Age Certificate. On the basis of the above information the Photo identity Card will be issued to all the players by the host Association. All the Youth, Junior, Sub-Junior and cadet players must carry the Photo identity Card otherwise he or she will not be permitted to participate. The date of birth certificate submitted at the time of registration shall never be changed later at any stage during the player's playing career.

2. Ranking List will be based on the performance of players during the year under the norms prescribed below:

### 2.1 ANNUAL RANKING

The performance of a Senior Player (Men & Women) in the National Championships and best performance in all the following Championships will be counted for the Annual Ranking.

- (i) All India Inter-Institutional Championships.
- (ii) National Ranking Championships, West Zone.
- (iii) National Ranking Championships, East Zone.
- (iv) National Ranking Championships, North Zone
- (v) National Ranking Championships, Central Zone.
- (vi) National Ranking Championships, South Zone.
- (vii) Prize Money Tournament of more than Rs. 2,00,000/-

### 2.2 YOUTH BOYS & GIRLS, JUNIOR BOYS AND GIRLS, SUB-JUNIOR BOYS & GIRLS, CADET BOYS & GIRLS :

#### 2.2.1 ANNUAL RANKING :

The performance of Youth, Junior and Sub-Junior players in both the Boys & Girls categories in the National Championships and best performance in all the following Championships will be taken into consideration for the Annual Ranking.

- (i) National Ranking Championships, West Zone.
- (ii) National Ranking Championships, East Zone.
- (iii) National Ranking Championships, North Zone.
- (iv) National Ranking Championships, Central Zone.
- (v) National Ranking Championships, South Zone.

2.2.2 The performance of cadet players in Boys & Girls categories in National Championship will be taken into consideration.

### 2.3 PARTICIPATION IN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS:

### COMPULSORY FOR SENIORS, YOUTH & JUNIORS:

Participation in the National Championships and minimum three Tournaments carrying points is a must and any player who has not taken part in the National Championships and minimum three tournaments carrying points shall not be considered for Annual Ranking. However, the executive Committee of the Federation can exempt any player from this rule on valid grounds for non-participation.

### 3. SYSTEM FOR AWARDING OF POINTS FOR RANKING/CLASSIFICATION :

The points will be awarded as per the following table:

Position	National	Inter Institutional	National Ranking (Zonal) & Prize Money
Winner	180	120	90
Runner	120	80	60
L. Semi-Finalists	90	60	45
L. Quarter-Finalists	60	40	30
L. Pre-Quarter Finalists	30	20	15
17 to 32	20	15	10

Note : No Positional Matches will be played.

4.1 A player who after having given his entry for the above listed tournaments does not turn-up for the matches or refuses to play shall be penalized to the extent of a deduction of 20 points from the total number of points earned by him/her while arriving at the aggregate number of points for ranking in addition to any other penalty that may be imposed under rules. Every Ranked/Classified player desirous of participation in any of the above tournaments must send his/her entry to the conducting Association directly with copy to his/her Association.

4.2 A player may however, withdraw his entry in writing before the date of draw for the tournament by submitting valid satisfactory reason to the Federation in which case the penalty clause as above may be waived.

In case of equal number of points obtained by more than one players, the players may be jointly ranked. The order of precedence among the jointly ranked players will be at the discretion of the Classification Committee.

### 5.1 SEEDING RULES :

The seeding for various Championships shall be done by Technical Committee of the Federation as per the Classification and Ranking List issued by the Classification committee.

5.2 The number of players and pairs to be seeded shall be as follows :

For upto 24 entries, there shall be 2 or 4 seeds, for upto 25 to 48 entries there shall be 4 or 8 seeds, for 49 to 96 entries there shall be 8 or 16 seeds and for 97 or more entries there shall be 16 or 32 seeds.