

APTA Tournament Entry, Seeding, and Ranking Table

Men's and Women's National Championships	
Entry/Eligibility	Top 60 teams based on combined individual NRT ranking points approximately 2 weeks prior to the tournament. Four wildcard spots may be allocated by the National Tournament Committee (NTC).
Seeding	NRT Points used for Team Seeding are calculated as described in footnote #1 below. Teams will be randomly placed in the draw based on the following groupings: 1, 2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, 9-12, 13-16, 17-20, 21-24, 25-32, 33-40, 41-48, 49-64. Refer to footnote #2.
PTI Rated	Yes
Rating/Other	Nationals weighting will be evaluated yearly and adjusted by the NTC.
APTA Grand Prix Events	
Entry/Eligibility	Entry based on combined individual NRT ranking points as of the Monday prior to the tournament. Wildcard spots may be allocated by the National Tournament Committee (NTC).
Seeding	NRT Points used for Team Seeding are calculated as described in footnote #1 below. The number of teams participating will determine the number of seeded teams, which will be randomly placed in the draw based on the following groupings: 1, 2, 3-4, 5-8, 9-12, 13-16, 17-20, 21-24, 25-32, 33-40, 41-48. All unseeded teams will be randomly drawn as one group, except for teams meeting or exceeding the bottom-placing benchmark or the top-placing benchmark. Refer to footnote #2.
PTI Rated	Yes
Rating/Other	All Grand Prix's will be weighted 4.25 and must allow for at least 32 team draws.
Non Grand Prix Tour Events (Tour NRTs)	
Entry/Eligibility	Entry based on combined individual NRT ranking points as of the Monday prior to the tournament. Wildcard spots may be allocated by the National Tournament Committee (NTC).
Seeding	NRT Points used for Team Seeding are calculated as described in footnote #1 below. The number of teams participating will determine the number of seeded teams, which will be randomly placed in the draw based on the following groupings: 1, 2, 3-4, 5-8, 9-12, 13-16, 17-20, 21-24, 25-32, 33-40, 41-48. All unseeded teams will be randomly drawn as one group, except for teams meeting or exceeding the bottom-placing benchmark or the top-placing benchmark. Refer to footnote #2.
PTI Rated	Yes

Rating/Other	Capped at 4.0. Refer to footnote #3.
Secondary draws at all Tour Events (including GPs) “Challenger Draw”	
Entry/Eligibility	All teams for Tour and Challenger Draws will be registered/waitlisted in one pool of teams. All teams who do not qualify for Tour Draw based on combined NRT points will remain on the waitlist and then placed in the Challenger Draw based on combined NRT points. Wildcard spots may be allocated by the National Tournament Committee (NTC).
Seeding	Seeding based on a team’s combined PTIs. Refer to footnote #4.
PTI Rated	Yes
Rating/Other	Refer to footnote #3 for rating calculation. Rating may be capped by the NTC.
All non Tour NRTs	
Entry/Eligibility	Tournament directors may choose either 1. Entry based on combined PTI, all teams waitlisted OR 2. First-Come, First-Serve 3. Wildcard spots may be allocated by the National Tournament Committee (NTC) if using option #1 above.
Seeding	Seeding based on a team’s combined PTIs. If the draw is filled on a first-come, first-serve basis and there are players without PTIs, the NTC and the local Tournament Director will work together to seed the tournament based on estimated PTIs, which may include bottom placing teams and avoiding local match-ups in the first round. Refer to footnote #4.
PTI Rated	Yes
Rating/Other	Refer to footnote #3 for rating calculation.
All other PTI Skill Level Tournaments (except Team and PTI Nationals	
Entry/Eligibility	Tournament directors may choose either 1. Entry based on combined PTIs, all teams waitlisted OR 2. First-Come, First-Serve 3. If there are players without PTIs, the NTC and the local Tournament Director will work together to seed the tournament based on estimated PTIs. 4. Wildcard spots may be allocated by the National Tournament Committee (NTC) if using option #1 above.
Seeding	Seeding based on a team’s combined PTIs. Refer to footnote #4.

PTI Rated	Yes
Rating/Other	No NRT Points
Team Nationals/PTI National Championships	
Entry/Eligibility	Open to all players with 8 PTI-rated matches since 4/1/2024. Both players must have PTIs at or above the stated threshold (i.e., for the women's PTI 40+, both players must have PTIs at or above 40 to be eligible). Teams are guaranteed entry on a first-come, first-serve basis (until the tournament is full) if the combined team PTI is less than 20 points greater than 2x the stated threshold (i.e.; for the women's PTI 40+, a team is guaranteed in if the team's combined PTI is less than 100...or $2 \times 40 + 20$); these teams will be moved off the waitlist once eligibility is confirmed. However, the PTI Tournament Committee reserves the right to move or remove teams if PTIs have significantly changed from the time of sign up to the time draws are established. All teams are waitlisted until approved for entry.
Seeding	Seeding based on a team's combined PTIs. Refer to footnote #4.
PTI Rated	Yes
Rating/Other	No NRT Points
Mixed Tournaments	
Entry/Eligibility	First-Come, First-Serve
Seeding	Seeding based on a team's combined PTIs. Refer to footnote #4.
PTI Rated	National Championship draw - Yes. Other tournaments are up to TD.
Rating/Other	No NRT Points
Masters and Combined Age Tournaments	
Entry/Eligibility	Open to all players who meet individual (Masters) or combined age requirements. Tournament directors may choose either 1. Entry based on combined PTI, all teams waitlisted OR 2. First-Come, First-Serve
Seeding	Seeding based on a team's combined PTIs. Refer to footnote #4.
PTI Rated	Yes

Rating/Other	No NRT Points
Juniors	
Entry/Eligibility	Sign up open to all junior players based on age as of October 1st and every effort will be made to include everyone who wants to play.
Seeding	Junior team points will dictate seeding for National Championships.
PTI Rated	No

Additional Information on Seeding, Placement, PTI, and Tournament Rating Footnotes

- 1. Entry, Seeding, and Placement:** Player A NRT points (avg of a player's 4 highest individual results (as of 12/31/24) in the current ranking period, counted at 100%) + Player B points (avg of a player's 4 highest individual results (as of 12/31/24) in the current ranking period, counted at 100%) = Team NRT Points to be used for Seeding and Placement.

Prior to 12/31/24, only the average of each player's 3 highest individual results in the current ranking period will be used and counted at 100%. If either player does not have results from 3 current NRTs (4 current NRTs after 12/31/24), results going back two calendar years will be included to reach the number of tournaments, but at 75%. See Ranking Procedures below.
- 2. Bottom Placing** will be defined by taking the highest combined PTI of any placed teams and adding 24 points to create a bottom-placing benchmark. Teams whose combined PTI equals or is higher than the benchmark will be randomly drawn as a group, then placed in the final placement spots against seeds and/or higher-placed teams. When the number of teams on the waitlist exceeds the number of available spots and there is a tie in ranking (either matching NRT points or no NRT points) for the last available spot or spots, the team(s) with the lowest combined PTI will be moved into the tournament.

Top Placing will be defined by taking the highest combined PTI of any non-listed seeds/placed teams and subtracting 10 points to create a top-placing benchmark. Teams whose combined PTI equals or is lower than the benchmark will be the next placed team after all non-listed/placed teams.
- 3. Tournament Ratings** are calculated by adding up the total NRT points of the top 16 teams prior to each event. The total number of points will then be compared to the APTA Weighting Schedule below to get the rating, with a maximum rating of 4.0.
- 4. For PTI-based events,** PTIs will be frozen at the time the draw is established.
- 5. Scoring in all NRTs,** including APTA Tour events, GPs, and APTA Nationals will be based on scoring as laid out in the Official Rules of Platform Tennis, unless an alternate scoring method (e.g., no-ad, or second deuce, etc.) is approved by the NTC.