



## **Selection Criteria for 2018 World Team Cup**

In order to qualify as a member of the United States World Team Cup delegation, a player must:

- (1) maintain United States citizenship at the time of nomination and have a valid U.S. Passport that will not expire for six (6) months after the conclusion of the 2018 World Team Cup, with no travel restrictions at the time of nomination;
- (2) be in good standing with the USTA and the ITF; and
- (3) satisfy the requirements of Regulation XI of the ITF's Regulations For Wheelchair Tennis 2018.

### **I. MEN, WOMEN & QUAD TEAM SELECTIONS**

One (1) Man, one (1) Woman and one (1) Quad Team members will be selected based on the highest player's ITF singles ranking (including utilization of protected rankings, if applicable) as of 5:00 PM EST on February 26, 2017. In the event of a tie, the player with the higher ITF ranking from the week prior will be selected.

The United States World Team Cup Coach may select a second (2<sup>nd</sup>), third (3<sup>rd</sup>) and/or fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) player to the World Team Cup Team should the World Team Cup Coach determine in his/her sole discretion that such selection would improve the team's overall chance of success. Such selection, if applicable, will be based on the following factors, among others:

1. Ranking (ITF and USTA singles rankings as of 5:00 PM EST on February 26, 2017) including utilization of protected rankings, if applicable;
2. Historical performance in World Team Cup and international competitions;
3. Aptitude for specific World Team Cup event conditions (which shall include, without limitation, court surface, ball type, and competition format);
4. Physical health at the date of nomination; and
5. Providing a developmental player experience for future competitions.

### **II. JUNIORS SELCTIONS**

One (1) Junior will be selected based on the highest ITF Junior Rankings as of 5:00 PM EST on February 26, 2017. In the event no player has an ITF Junior Ranking, the player shall be selected using USTA Junior rankings. In the event of a tie, the player with the higher ITF Junior Ranking from the week prior will be selected.

The United States World Team Cup Coach may select a second (2<sup>nd</sup>), third (3<sup>rd</sup>) and/or fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) junior to the World Team Cup Team should the World Team Cup Coach determine in his/her sole discretion that such selection would improve the team's overall chance of success. Such selection, if applicable, will be based on the following factors, among others:

1. Ranking (ITF Open Division rankings as of 5:00 PM EST on February 26, 2017) including utilization of protected rankings, if applicable;
2. Historical performance in World Team Cup and international competitions;
3. Aptitude for specific World Team Cup event conditions (which shall include, without limitation, court surface, ball type, and competition format);

4. Physical health at the date of nomination; and
5. Providing a developmental player experience for future competitions.

### III. DOUBLES

The United States World Team Coach shall, in his/her sole discretion determine doubles partners for the World Team Cup. The factors that will drive the selection of doubles partners from the above list of selected players include, without limitation:

1. Historical performance in World Team Cup and international competitions;
2. Aptitude for specific World Team Cup event conditions (which shall include, without limitation, court surface, ball type, and competition format);
3. Physical health at the date of nomination; and
4. Prior playing experience and results with other doubles players in the eligible selection pool.