

Proposed Amendments to USTA Bylaws

Note: Words underlined are proposed to be added. Deleted text is shown in strikethrough. References are to the 2025 Yearbook, unless otherwise noted.

B1. Proposed by Constitution and Rules Committee
Allon Lifshitz, Chair

PASSED

Amend **USTA Bylaw 43.c.** (pg. 130) as follows:

c. Jurisdiction. The Grievance Committee shall be responsible for investigating and deciding matters related to the following:

- i. Unless specifically limited herein, the Constitution and the Bylaws and the standards of conduct, fair play, and good sportsmanship;
- ii. Grievances arising out of alleged non-compliance by the Corporation of the USOPC Bylaws or the Ted Stevens Olympic and Amateur Sports Act;
- ~~iii.~~ Grievances arising out of or concerning tournaments as listed on the **USTA Regulation V.B.**;
- ~~iv.~~ Grievances concerning USTA players participating in international competitions;
- ~~v.~~ Appeals from tournament suspensions imposed under the USTA Suspension Point System as set forth in **USTA Regulation IV.F.14.**;
- ~~vi.~~ Appeals from Sectional Association tournament suspensions of six months or longer (two or more current suspensions may be aggregated to meet the jurisdictional requirement);
- ~~vii.~~ Requests for reinstatement from professional to amateur status as provided in **USTA Regulation VXIII.E.**;
- ~~viii.~~ Appeals from Decisions denying a request for a waiver of a **USTA Regulation** as provided in **USTA Regulation XX.**;
- ~~ix.~~ Matters referred to it by the Board;
- ~~x.~~ As specifically set forth in **USTA Regulations**, as amended from time to time;

Effective Date: Immediately

Rationale: To update the Bylaw and bring it into conformity with the requirements of the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee (USOPC).

B2. Proposed by Constitution and Rules Committee
Allon Lifshitz, Chair

PASSED

Amend **Bylaw 64.** (pg. 136) as follows:

64. Anti-Doping. All athletes and Organization Members shall comply with all anti-doping rules and all other policies and rules of the World Anti-Doping Agency (“WADA”); the International Tennis Integrity Agency (“ITIA”); the United States Olympic and Paralympic Movement, including the USOPC National Anti-Doping Policy; and the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency (“USADA”), including the USADA Protocol for Olympic and Paralympic Movement Testing (“USADA Protocol”). All athletes agree to submit to drug testing by the ITIA and USADA or their designees at any time and understand that the use of methods or substances prohibited by the applicable anti-doping rules make them subject to penalties including, but not limited to, disqualification, suspension, and revocation of membership. If it is determined that an athlete or Organization Member may have committed a doping violation, the athlete or Organization Member agrees to submit to the results management authority and processes of USADA, including arbitration under the USADA Protocol, or to the results management authority of the ITIA and USTA, if applicable or referred by USADA.

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