



## PARALYMPIC TABLE TENNIS CLASSIFICATION SCHEDULING AND PROCEDURES

We are seeking to provide appropriate classification services to all Paralympic Table Tennis venues for the next competition year. Based on the criteria established by Wheelchair and Ambulatory Sports USA (WASUSA) for Tournament levels as submitted by Jennifer Johnson, the Technical Delegate for Table Tennis, the USATT Subcommittee on Classification has made the following determinations:

1. All tournaments holding Paralympic Table Tennis events that require classifier(s) be present will be ranked by the WASUSA standard as Level 1, Level 2, and Level 3 Competitions. Level 3 events, for the purposes of classification only are to be further subdivided into Level 3R (regional) or Level 3N (national).
2. Classifier needs are recognized by these levels as follows:
  - Level 1 Events: 1 Regional or National Classifier
  - Level 2 Events: 1 National Classifier
  - Level 3R Events: at least 1 National Classifier
  - Level 3N Events: 2 National Classifiers, one Medical or Paramedical and one Technical
3. All tournaments requiring classifiers are to request classification services from the USATT Classification Officer. Tournaments may not directly contact and arrange for classifiers without first making contact with the USATT Classification Officer.
4. Tournament Organizers are responsible for the costs of transportation and accommodations for Classifiers for the time of classification at the tournament through the completion of table tennis competition at that event in order to permit full functional assessment as well as observation during competition.
5. Any event offering Classes 1-10 may have any type of classifier present, providing that classifier is a Nationally Certified Classifier.
6. Any event offering Class 11 only or Classes 1-11 must have 2 classifiers, and one MUST be a Technical classifier.
7. There may be events that have both National and International Classification. Those events are always considered Level 3R with at least 1 National classifier present as well as International classifiers.
8. Events may request USATT Classification services by completing the attached form and submitting it to the Classification Officer at: [usattclass@gmail.com](mailto:usattclass@gmail.com). All efforts will be made to schedule classifiers that are as close as possible to reduce costs to LOC's.

For any additional inquiries, please contact:

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**CLASSIFICATION SERVICES REQUEST FORM:**

**EVENT NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CONTACT PERSON NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**EVENT LOCATION:** \_\_\_\_\_

**EVENT DATE(S):** \_\_\_\_\_

**TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT LEVEL:** LEVEL 1:  LEVEL 2:  LEVEL 3R:   
LEVEL 3N:

**CLASSES TO BE PLAYED AT THIS EVENT:** WHEELCHAIR ONLY (1-5)  STANDING ONLY (6-10)   
ID ONLY (CLASS 11)  ALL CLASSES (1-11)

**ORGANIZING / CERTIFYING BODY (IES)** (eg. USATT, WASUSA, Veterans Group, AWL) \_\_\_\_\_

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The following conditions must be present for USATT Classification to be performed:

1. The classification area must be equipped with both a medical examination table (a sturdy massage table will do) with privacy screens, as well as a competition quality table tennis table with adequate space for functional trial testing, and conditions that are comparable to those of the competition venue (lighting, flooring, environmental conditions).
2. The classifier will be provided with a flash drive onto which the USATT classification card will be recorded. If it is possible for the local organizers to assist in printing the card, a hard copy will be provided at the tournament to be signed by both the classifier and the player. If this is not possible, the player will receive his/her card by mail, signed by the classifier and to be signed by the player upon receipt. The player is responsible for maintaining his/her USATT Classification Card for presentation at any USATT sanctioned

event to provide proof of minimal disability eligibility as well as to document service variations or equipment exceptions.

3. All USATT cards are subsequently sent electronically to the USATT Classification officer for review and maintained by that office as well as by the USATT National Office and the USATT Paralympic Division Coordinator. USATT updated records will be maintained with classification updates as received and will be available to Tournament Organizers for confirmation of classification of entrants.

**Signature of Applicant / Representative:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_