

Procedures and Protocols 2020



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EXPLANATORY NOTES:

- 1.- Except when stipulated otherwise, all references to "Player" in these regulations include both sexes.
- 2.- In order to consider all situations that may not have been taken into account in these Regulations, WPT may update it throughout the 2020 season, and must inform the Players Association for its correct implementation in due time.

SECTION 1. PLAYERS

PARTICIPATION

The player subscribed to the service provision agreement agrees to participate in all the events and tournaments that are part of the national and international WPT Circuit calendar, except due to force majeure (being understood as such those subject to the criteria contemplated in the Article 1105 of the Civil Code) that may prevent him / her from doing so and so justifies it. He / she will do it according to his / her classification or ranking and with the quality, diligence and professionalism inherent in his / her activity as a professional player and in the most appropriate way in accordance with his / her physical condition, ensuring that his / her physical, technical and tactical capabilities are at the highest levels, performing the individual game autonomously and independently, according to their own game tactics as well as in coordination with the Circuit Organization and the other players for the sake of team play in order to achieve the best results in them.

The said participation does not suppose for the player any incompatibility with other championships and tournaments in which he freely participates as a professional player. In any case, the player always assumes the participation in the WPT Circuit as a priority.

The player (subscribed to the contract) is free to participate in any other paddle tournament or activity as long as he / she abides by the obligations and rules of the contract and its annexes and does not coincide in place or time with any event of the WPT Circuit within seven (7) days before or after it.

Due to the special characteristics of the matches, the player is aware that the dates and venues of the matches can be modified with respect to the initially planned calendar. Both, players and WPT, consider sufficient time to assume their celebration the notification of any modification in this respect seven (7) in advance.

The participation of all players (with or without a valid contract), requires compliance with the rules, regulations, ethical codes and sports regulations of WPT by which the Circuit is governed, for the purposes of the proper celebration, management and coordination of the tournaments and activities of WPT in all its aspects, and particularly, with those established by sports, technique, graphics, aesthetics and sports apparel regulations, as well as those that refer to organization and the system of penalties.

Any player who is part of the Official WPT Ranking, may not participate or be accredited as a Coach. He / she can only be accredited as a coach, if he / she renounces his / her status as a WPT player (termination of contract if applicable, and exclusion from the official ranking), not being able to return to the official competition as such, until 12 months later (without having been accredited as a coach, in the last four months prior to the end of that period).

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EXCLUSIVITY

The player subscribed to the contract will not be able to carry out any kind of activity during the week of the tournament, although the autograph session, photos and some other activity of similar characteristics with their sponsors are exclusively authorized. The player will try to get the sponsor to do the former activities in the WPT Village if they have a tent in it. If it does not, and the activity will take place in another space, WPT will be entitled to decide if it wants to be present with its logo in all the promotional elements or it discards it due to incompatibility with its own official sponsors. If so, the player will be obliged to notify their sponsor so that they insert the WPT brand at no cost to WPT.

The player may participate in other tournaments according to the official ranking.

All PLAYERS, linked or subscribed to the Service Provision Contract, without distinction of ranking, may only and exclusively play the following tournaments:

- Absolute Spanish Championship.
- Championship of Spain or other countries by Teams.
- European Championship.
- **World Cup of Teams.**

That is, a maximum and exclusive total of four (4) championships not organized by WPT for each year of the contract which they are subjected to and without affecting the WPT Calendar.

Male players classified from 1 to 20 and female players classified from 1 to 8 of the official WPT ranking will have the absolute exclusivity of participation in the Tournaments by WPT.

Players classified between the 21st position in men, and 9 in women, will be able to play any tournament complying with WPT norms except tours that are under direct control of WPT. This authorization will be without effect immediately in the event that the player in question reaches number 20 or a higher position for men or number 8 or a higher position for women in the WPT Ranking.

The player may also participate in inter-club leagues in other countries. The player may also play regional championships once his / her participation in the WPT tournaments ends, which will always be a priority, even in the case that the championship coincides in time with WPT.

In the event that a new international team championship format might emerge, WPT would study the possible participation in it of players who have signed a contract with the organization, although the player will not be able to participate in it until obtaining the final authorization from the Organization.

The player may wear an advertisement for the beer industry on the representative shirt of his/ her country if it is an inseparable part of it, although, if this is not absolutely inevitable, the player will wear his / her seasonal sponsors.

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EXHIBITIONS, FOUR-TEAM AND PROMOTIONAL TOURNAMENTS

THE PLAYER is not obliged to request authorization from WPT to participate in Exhibitions, Clinics or other promotional activities outside the WPT Circuit provided that it complies with the Organization's Official Regulations and with the provisions of this contract.

WPT will supervise the activities carried out by THE PLAYER, adopting the measures that are contained within the technical regulations and legally applicable in the event of non-compliance by the player.

Exhibitions:

In the case of exhibitions authorized or organized by WPT, it is agreed that the rules set forth in the Technical Regulations of the Organization and the present Regulations will be followed.

In the specific case of players who are classified in the WPT ranking below number 20, WPT allows them to play in any type of tournaments except Tours that are direct competitors of WPT. This authorization will be void immediately in the event that the player in question reaches the number 20 or higher position in the WPT ranking.

In Spain: the player will not be allowed to participate in exhibitions, four-team and promotional tournaments in the previous 30 days and in the following 15 days in the same city where the WPT tournament is held or in any other that is held less than 250 kilometers from it.

Outside Spain: the player will not be allowed to participate in exhibitions, four-team tournaments and / or promotional activities or tournaments in the previous 60 days and the following 30 days in the same city where the WPT tournament is held or in any other that held is less than 300 kilometers from it, with the sole objective of protecting the investment of the international sponsor and promoting the expansion of paddle tennis abroad.

In the case of authorized exhibitions, it is agreed that the following rules will be followed:

a) Couples classified in the WPT ranking, with numbers 1 and 2, will be allowed to play a match per exhibition, clinic or any other activity, whereas other Couples will not.

b) In the case of exhibitions of 4 Couples, a Couple from among those classified as 1 and 2 and a Couple from those classified as 3 and 4 may participate. The other Couples must be classified from No. 5 onwards. However, and in the specific case of players who are classified in the WPT ranking (as regulated in the Fourth Pact) below No. 20 will be allowed to play in any type of tournaments held within the Spanish Autonomous Region in which they have their residence. This authorization will be void immediately in the event that the player in question reaches the position No. 20 or higher in the WPT ranking. In Spain, only exhibitions with a maximum of 4 Couples can be played.

c) In those exhibitions outside of Spain, with the participation of more than 4 Couples, the organizer must carry them out under the format "WPT Exhibition", or another format authorized by WPT. In this case, a maximum of those Pairs that can participate is as follows:

- A Couple classified in the WPT ranking with numbers 1 or 2. The Couple will be selected by the organizer or WPT.

- A Couple classified in the WPT ranking with numbers 3 or 4. The Couple will be selected by the organizer or WPT.

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- Three Couples classified in the WPT ranking between numbers 5 and 8. The three Couples will be selected as follows : one by the organizer, another by the WPT and the third by the organizer or WPT.

- The other Couples must be classified in the WPT ranking from number 9 onwards. One of these Couples will be selected by the organizer and the others by the WPT.

These same rules will be applied to all exhibitions, including those of the WPT circuit, and it is in the latter's judgment to grant authorization to organize another types of exhibitions other than those contained in this Regulation.

When the participants in an exhibition form Couples that are not the usual ones, the player with the highest ranking will be considered to define the order of the Couple.

Players must refrain from carrying out any type of sponsorship or advertising support within the WPT framework in relation to any beer brand other than those marketed by DAMM, as well as the commercial category of Tour Title Sponsor, in the event that a brand other than Estrella Damm is referred to.

Extra days of free disposal for WPT: All the players between numbers 1 and 100 of the WPT ranking guarantee the Organizer their participation in two (2) Exhibitions or any other promotional tournament that WPT considers without receiving any compensation except for travel and subsistence expenses which will be borne by WPT. The maximum extra time of use granted to the player will be five (5) competitive days per annual Tour, which will be repeated each year the contract is in force. The round trip of a Player to the trip to the city or the host country of the event will not be counted within these 5 extra days of free disposal of the player.

CLINICS, PROAM'S AND MASTER CLASS

The player will not be able to carry out any specific activity in the city where the WPT tournament is held seven (7) days before it takes place, except for the autograph sessions and photos with fans in the WPT Village.

The player may participate in Clinics, Pro-Am's or Master Class up to four (4) days before their official participation in the WPT tournament if the activity takes place in a place that is more than 250 kilometers from the venue where the WPT tournament will be held.

WPT authorizes the player to carry out the activity in clubs that have a product in the beer industry that is not DAMM or that have some type of sponsorship with another brand in this sector, provided that in no case the player is the image or advertises the said brand. The player may promote the said activity on their social networks and other means of communication before, during and after that activity.

WPT PRESENTATION EVENTS

It will be the express duty of the player, when summoned by WPT for it, to participate in the presentation events determined by the Circuit Organization following the guidelines of performance and clothing that it stipulates.

The player subject to the contract must participate in at least four (4) promotional activities of the WPT Circuit throughout the year, which may take place in Clinics, Pro-Am Tournaments, commercial events, sponsorship presentations, lunches, dinners, talks, etc.

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The foregoing may only be excepted due to injury - which must be confirmed by the head doctor responsible for the WPT Medical Service - and only when traveling may harm the player's recovery. Otherwise, the Organization will decide if he / she should attend the event in question, even if he / she cannot participate in it athletically.

The event in which the player's participation takes place must be communicated to the player by the Organization with a minimum of seven (7) days prior to the date on which it must take place, providing as much detailed information as possible.

The unjustified withdrawal of the player from these events will lead to the application of disciplinary measures that may be relevant.

At least one (1) month must elapse between each player's participation in events organized by WPT.

The costs of the player's participation in these promotional events for travel and accommodation will be borne by the Organization.

MEDIA ROUNDTABLES/PRESS CONFERENCES/TELECONFERENCES

Interviews with players after the game:

Once the match is over, the winning couple will exclusively attend WPT and the main television broadcaster of the match, or a quick interview (flash interview) of a maximum duration of 5 minutes if required.

All post-match interviews will take place wherever designated by the WPT Communications Department and in front of a photocall with the image of the official WPT sponsors.

Press conference

Post-match press conference:

- Once the match is over, it will be considered mandatory for both couples of players (loser and winner) to offer a press conference consisting of an initial assessment of the match held and answer any questions that the media attending it may require.
- The maximum time that THE PLAYER, accompanied by his partner, is obliged to stay in the press room when requested by the media is approximately fifteen (15) minutes.
- Each player's point of view on the match must have a minimum duration of 20 seconds before answering the questions of the journalists.
- The WPT Communications Department will decide on the nature and duration of the players appearance before the press.
- The WPT Communications Department will designate the place or space to hold the press conferences after the matches.
- Failure of the PLAYER to attend the press conference or the stipulated prior attendance will be considered a serious fault.

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- The coordination work for the correct development of the press conferences will correspond to the WPT Communication Department, which will also be responsible for communicating to the General Directorate of the Organization the non-compliance of any of the protagonists to this mandatory activity or the breach of the protocol established in the previous article for the opening of the corresponding sanctioning file.

Mixed Zone

- Whenever the space conditions allow it, once the match of each tournament is finished, the media will be allowed to access to the area attached to the players' locker rooms, known as the Mixed Zone.

- When this is not possible, an area will be determined for this that is an obligatory passage for the players and that meets the necessary conditions for a correct contact between them and the accredited media.

- The WPT Communications Department will be responsible for the coordination and mandatory presence of the players of both couples in the Mixed Zone of the pavilion after leaving the locker room to favor the post-match work of the assistant press.

- Failure to comply with the presence of the players in the Mixed Zone will be considered a serious offense.

Start and End of Season Media Day

- In order to promote media attention and get more media coverage, the players must carry out a "Media Day" or eWPTcial attendance to the media in the week prior to the start of the WPT Circuit (Presentation of the season) and in the week end of it (Master Final), except for exceptional situations that will be studied by WPT to find the ideal solution for all parties.

- All players will be available to the media in the format decided by the WPT Communication Department and for a minimum time of 30 minutes.

- The attention to the media that during the Presentation of the Season and the Final Master will have a unified image alluding to the event and will be organized by WPT. The image will be produced by the WPT marketing department and will feature the logo of the official WPT sponsors and suppliers.

- THE PLAYER'S failure to appear before the Media will be considered a serious offense unless there is a reason that justifies his absence.

Official Venues Presentations

- THE PLAYER called by the Organization must necessarily attend the presentation ceremony of each official venue and tournament organized by WPT.

- WPT will organize a presentation of the event, which could either be in "Photo-Opportunity" or in a Press Conference format, with a maximum of 6 protagonists at opening and promotion of the event.

- THE PLAYER must be notified by WPT with a minimum of seven (7) days in advance, which may be less if a player summoned by the Organization in the first instance have any justifiable problem that prevents his / her presence

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which would force the Organization to urgently summon another protagonist. WPT will bear the costs arising from their attendance to the event.

- Non-compliance with this article will be considered a serious offense.

Additional Tournament Special Dedication Activities

- THE PLAYER must participate in those events where WPT organizes special promotional events (signatures, photos or other type of interaction with supporters in the central court, club or village).

- THE PLAYER will be available to the Organization for a maximum time of fifteen (15) minutes.

- WPT will ensure a schedule to attend the fans that does not interfere in THE PLAYER's training.

- THE PLAYER will be notified of promotional activities that will be carried out two (2) days before traveling to the city organizing the event, as well as the people from the Organization responsible for monitoring and executing them.

- It will be considered a serious offense if The Player fails to appear at the place designated by the Organization.

SOCIAL NETWORKS

- THE WPT PLAYER must maintain proper conduct at all times in their communication with fans through their official channels, whether it is their official website, Social Networks or any other channel of public contact with their supporters.

- For this purpose, any inappropriate and derogatory comment that may encourage violence or dishonesty towards the Organization, another player, entity or person will be subject to serious or very serious penalty depending on the case.

- THE PLAYER must communicate to WPT the list of official communication channels and / or Social Networks in which he / she is present in order to offer suitable coverage as well as promoting them by mentioning them when possible. The list must be provided to the WPT Communications Department before the start of the official competition as late as two weeks before the start of the Tour. If anything new occurs during the course of the Tour, THE PLAYER must notify the same department as quickly as possible.

- WPT may use on its official website and other formats the links to the WPT players' websites, blogs or public profiles on Social Networks, as well as the comments published on them, provided THE PLAYER'S non-approval.

- The comments of players, coaches and other protagonists of the Tour (anyone who enters the court or has any professional sports relationship with the WPT Tour) attached to WPT on their web pages, blogs or public profiles of Social Networks will have the same consideration as the statements in the Media and will be considered for all purposes in the same way before a possible sanction.

PHOTO OPPORTUNITIES AND TV TOURS

- THE PLAYER will be obliged to facilitate the carrying out of the photo opportunities necessary for the implementation of the different communication and audiovisual projects on the dates established by the Circuit Organization.

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- The duration of the exclusive WPT photographic and audiovisual session, which will be carried out with the official game uniform, and will last no less than one (1) hour to ensure the correct realization of the planned graphic, audiovisual and radio cuts.
- The session will be held where determined by the WPT Communication Department, which will be responsible for general coordination.
- Failure to attend the photographic and audiovisual session will be considered a serious offense and will entail, in addition to what is determined by the WPT Sanctioning Regime, that THE PLAYER bears all the costs arising from the organization of an extra session.

USE OF GRAPHIC AND AUDIOVISUAL MATERIAL

- WPT generates, for the promotion of professional competition and the dissemination of the sport of paddle tennis, a series of audiovisual content (photographs, videos, reports, etc.) the exclusive use of which pertains the WPT. THE PLAYER may not make use of this material without a grant of express use by WPT. The said grant of use, where appropriate and upon explicit request, will be limited to the previously requested purposes, with the agreed time limitation and through the agreed media.
- THE PLAYER will be obliged to warn all his / her sponsors of any type of the existence of this rule, these being subject to the same procedure when requesting audiovisual material from WPT.
- The Organization also undertakes to help THE PLAYER to have access to any material that will allow him / her to enhance his / her career as well as the competition.
- THE PLAYER may make use of and communicate through his / her Social networks any audiovisual content that the WPT makes available to the public in the same way that any user can. That is, by replicating the content owned by WPT, never downloading the material and disseminating it as its own.
- It is in the spirit of the Organization to organize, based on the professional criteria that govern all world-wide professional competitions, the use and handling of such sensitive and important material for the growth and prestige of the Tour as is the audiovisual content. The breach of any of the paragraphs of this section will be considered a serious fault.

PRO-AM PARTICIPATION

Attendance at the Pro-Am will be compulsory for those PLAYERS who are in the top 32 of the WPT ranking and that the calendar so marks. Attendance at the Pro-Am will be from the start time of the Pro-Am until its end, not being able to withdraw from it, even if the Player has already been eliminated. The Pro-Am men's category will be held on Tuesday afternoons unless otherwise indicated for justified reasons. The Pro-Am of the female category will be held on Wednesday or Friday afternoons, unless otherwise indicated for justified reasons.

ACCREDITATIONS

- WPT, will provide players (first 100men and 56 first women in the Ranking) with their corresponding credentials, both in physical format (card) and in virtual format (through the Player's APP). It will be mandatory for the players to show their credentials whenever they are requested to do so.

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For a better control in relation to the management and accreditation procedure of the players, they must access the facilities (Club - Pavilion) by the exclusive entrance that will be set up for such purposes.

GAME ATTIRE

- **Clothing:** Players must participate properly equipped, with the Chair Umpire or Referee being responsible for deciding on this point. In particular, all players in the main draw must have their name (initial and last name) on the back of their clothing. They must wear an updated patch or logo of the WPT Tour in a visible place (on the chest). In 2020, and for all the games that are broadcasted, the player will be required to wear clothes that are as similar in color as possible to that of his teammate.

- In the case of a change of attire, the player will remove his / her shirt as quickly and discreetly as possible, trying not to expose the naked torso and will continue with the obligation to wear clothes of a similar color.

- In any case, for everything related to game uniforms and their regulations, they must comply with the conditions stipulated in the Manual for Game Uniforms and Advertising (Annex IV), available for consultation in the Player's APP, and under no circumstances wear a uniform with logos or serigraphies that conflict with the interests of WPT.

TRAVELS

- THE PLAYER will bear the cost of his / her trips, both inside and outside Spain, to participate in the WPT Tour except for the Exhibitions and / or promotional tournaments, which will be borne by WPT.

- WPT will collaborate actively with the eight (8) foreplay players who qualify at the last minute to play an international tournament outside of Spain. WPT will make the best efforts in management and logistics in common agreement with the aforementioned players, although they will be responsible for paying the best price achieved by WPT in the negotiations held with the different travel operators.

REGISTRATIONS

THE PLAYER with the Contract for the Provision of Professional Services in force, shall not pay the inscription in the tournaments of the WPT Tour. For the 2020 Season, WPT will charge the registration to the rest of the players who play the WPT tournaments that have not signed this contract. This measure may be reviewed year by year by WPT. In any case, the conditions for the registration payment (procedures, cost, etc.) will be communicated to the players through the Player APP (tournament technical sheet).

HOTEL AND FOOD EXPENSES

HOTEL

- WPT will pay for the hotel night stay, corresponding to the day before the official game is held, of the PLAYER that qualifies to play the final table of all the national and / or international tournaments of the WPT Circuit of each season until eliminated from the competition. The Organization will also be in charge of the reservation of the player's hotel room.

- THE PLAYER will be entitled to accommodation in a hotel of a minimum category of four (4) stars as long as the host city offers this type of accommodation. Otherwise, WPT will house THE PLAYER in the highest possible category hotel.

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- THE PLAYER's accommodation will include a room and breakfast from the day before the start of his / her participation in the final draw until the end while they remain in the competition.

- The hotel will be at a maximum distance of 40 kilometers from the pavilion where the tournament competition is held.

- If THE PLAYER does not use the official hotel of the tournament, he must notify the Organization at least 24 hours in advance. Otherwise, WPT will have the right to charge the cost of the room to THE PLAYER, discounting it from the amount to be received as prizes for the event, or from the following, in the event of not receiving any amount in the tournament where the problem aroused.

Travel expenses

- WPT will bear the economic cost of the food of THE PLAYER who qualifies to play the final draw of all tournaments of the WPT Circuit of each season of this contract while he remains in the competition and has not been eliminated. The Organization will also be in charge of the player's reservation.

- THE PLAYER will have the right to:

- A breakfast from the day of his / her arrival until the day of his / her elimination or return trip to the hotel where his / her is accommodated.
- Lunch and dinner while he / she is playing the tournament.
- If the Final of the tournament is played in the morning (until 14:00 pm. maximum), WPT will not pay for THE PLAYER's lunch or dinner. In the afternoon, the Organization will pay both.
- WPT will make available to THE PLAYER a closed menu in the Club / Hotel / Hall of the tournament or a restaurant very close to the Hotel, which must not be more than one (1) kilometer away.
- Players who are not going to make use of their lunches and / or dinners as stipulated in this contract must notify the organization at least 24 hours in advance.

TRANSPORTATION

WPT will pay for the transportation of THE PLAYER member of the Final Draw in the host city of the national and / or international tournament of the WPT Circuit of each season of this contract from the day before the start of the player's participation in the competition until he / she has been eliminated from the tournament.

The Organization will make available to THE PLAYER a transportation service that will make periodic trips from the concentration hotel to the host club and central court. There will be a schedule that THE PLAYER will know in advance from the Organization and that he / she must scrupulously comply with if he / she want to make use of this service.

TICKETS – BOXES AND VIP AREA

Tickets:

WPT will have tickets or passes for every PLAYER who qualifies to play the final draw (and all those games that are played on the central court) while he / she remains in the competition and is not eliminated, according to the following table:

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Local	6	6	8	8	8
Non local	4	4	5	5	5

Access To Boxes:

WPT will allow and regulate the access to the boxes to those accompanying the players who are playing their game on the center court. Each couple will be entitled to a box with six seats (6). For this they must be holders of one of the invitation-tickets corresponding to the player. After the match, the invitation-ticket will grant access to the general stand.

VIP zone:

WPT will provide three (3) passes to access the VIP AREA per PLAYER who qualifies to play the final draw whilst still in the competition and not has been eliminated. In the case of players competing on the center court of the Pavilion, these passes will only be for people with access to the box. The PLAYER will make a correct use of the passes, taking into account compliance with the rules of courtesy and decorum of the venue, especially regarding clothing (consult the Dress-Code published in the players' APP), both the players' and his / her companions.

USE OF PLAYERS' ROOM

WPT will make available to THE PLAYER a more personalized service in the Players' Lounge or rest area and pre and post match concentration.

The player must make good use of it, taking care of its cleanliness and maintaining appropriate behavior and clothing.

PLAYERS ENTERING AND LEAVING CENTER COURT PROTOCOL

Entrance to the Center Court:

Presentation:

1. Players must turn up in the starting area specified for this purpose, at least of 10 minutes before the match.
2. The player will have made each and every one of the necessary preparations to bring the competition to a successful conclusion (grips, shoelaces, isotonic drinks, kits, etc.)
3. To enter the court, the player must respect the access circuit of which he / she will be informed by the WPT staff in charge, without stopping or greeting any person (usually entering through the center of the court, on the opposite side of the bench area).
4. The speaker will announce the entry into the center court area of the four players. Firstly, that of the couple with the lowest ranking, secondly, the other couple (if the players are local, the order in which they are presented can be modified). The first player presented will arrive at the rest area, where he will leave his bag or backpack (he can only

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enter with one of the two accessories) and wait for his partner. The second player presented will arrive at the rest area and will leave his / her bag or backpack, and the pair will be waiting for their opponents to be presented. The third player presented will arrive at the rest area where he will leave his / her bag or backpack and wait for his / her partner. The fourth player presented will arrive at the rest area and will leave his bag or backpack. Once the four players have been presented, the chair umpire will ask the players to enter the court and greet them.

5. Once inside the court, the players will be placed next to the Chair Umpire to take the official photograph of the match.

6. The corresponding draw will be held and a 5 minute knock up will begin, which will end once the referee pronounces the word 'Time'.

7. Once the warm up is over, the player will have 2 minutes to go to his or her rest area or remain in the court. Within those 2 minutes, it is within the first minute that a player may request to go to the bathroom, which will be considered as an authorized break (See Toilet Breaks).

8. The players will enter the court when hearing the word "Time" and the first set will begin when the Chair Umpire says "Play".

Leaving the center court:

End of the match:

1. At the end of the match, the four players will proceed to their rest areas. The losing couple will have one minute to collect their belongings and exit the court (always together) where indicated (in all cases, the couple must leave the court before the first interviews with the press are held on the court). The winning couple will remain in the rest area, until called to the corresponding interview, after which, the players will leave the court immediately.

2. Players will NOT be allowed to sign autographs at the end of the matches, except where WPT sets up a special area for this purpose, where they can sign during the time indicated by authorized personnel.

REST AREA

The player may access the rest area or bench in the following situations:

- Start of the match:

o he will be allowed to: sit, drink, eat, dry himself / herself and receive instructions from their coach.

- Change of ends first game of each set:

o he will be allowed to: drink and dry himself / herself.

- 90 and 120 seconds rest:

o he will be allowed to: sit, drink, eat, dry themselves and receive instructions from their coach.

- Change of ends in Tie-Break:

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o he will be allowed to: drink and dry himself / herself.

- Between points and video review:

o he / she can request a towel from an assistant or volunteer, but under no circumstance can he leave the court to fetch one himself.

- End of the game (see PLAYERS ACCESSING AND LEAVING CENTER COURT PROTOCOL)

- For any other case, the player must request the authorization of the Competition Judges.

If the player approaches the bench area when changing ends in a Tie-Break or when switching sides after the first game of each set, the coach cannot him / her give any instructions and must stand up and walk away, remaining at a reasonable distance from the player.

No player, for any reason, may go to the rest area of his opponent, this area considered from the imaginary extension of the net to the right or left (except at side crossings).

Players and coaches will not be allowed to use phones, watches, tablets or any other device with an internet connection, whilst in this area.

The bench area belongs to the setup of the court and is therefore a WPT area. Therefore, it is not allowed to place advertising elements / brands that are not considered necessary in this area.

In the **Rest Area** the player will be provided with:

-Water.

- Energy / isotonic drink.

- Bananas.

- Towels.

For an effective control of the player's intakes during the match, it will be the player himself who makes sure he has everything he deems necessary that is not included as part of the above mentioned.

TOILET BREAKS OR CHANGE OF ATTIRE

A player may be authorized to leave the court to go to the bathroom (as long as he requests it within the first 20 seconds of the corresponding regulation time). A player has the right to go to the bathroom once per game. Interruptions to go to the bathroom should preferably be done at the end of a set, and can be done in a change of ends except in the 1-0 of each set and in the tie-break, and can be used for no other purpose.

The maximum time allowed is 2 minutes, and the Chair Umpire may extend it if he considers that the distance to the bathroom is large.

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If the players of a couple leave the court together, it counts as one of the couple's authorizations.

Whenever a player leaves the court for a toilet break it is considered one of the authorized breaks, regardless of whether or not the opponent left the court.

Any toilet break after the knock up has started is considered as one of the authorized breaks.

Additional interruptions will be authorized when the changes of ends take place, but will be sanctioned in accordance with the provisions of the "penalty program" if the player is not ready in the time allowed (90 or 120 seconds).

Case: In a game a player has made use of his only visit to the bathroom. The player informs the Chair Umpire that in the next change he would like to go to the bathroom again before his service.

Decision: The **Chair Umpire** may allow a player to leave the court, but must inform him that any delay beyond the established times will be sanctioned in accordance with the paragraph "penalty program".

Case: If the game has been suspended for an authorized toilet break, when does the "clock" start to resume play?

Decision: When the player returns to the court and has his / her racket, the Chair Umpire will announce "Time". This announcement will signal that players must resume the match.

WPT may arrange for players to be escorted to the bathroom.

OTHER CONCEPTS

- Players may not throw balls to the spectators during a match or when a change of balls. Only at the end of the match.

- Players, for security reasons, will refrain from carrying out any action that, even without their intention, may affect the safety of the attending public (Example: throwing a racket to the spectators in the stands).

SECTION 2. COACHES

Explanatory note: Except when otherwise stipulated, any reference to coach in this section includes both sexes.

ENTERING THE COURT

The coaches of each couple must access the court when the Sports Manager or Event Director authorizes it. They will not be allowed to access it with rackets, padel backs or any advertising material, not previously agreed with.

RULES AND PROCEDURES

Coaches must:

- Be in possession of an Official Degree that certifies him / her as coach. In the case of other degrees (foreign countries, federations) it will be the WPT who validates them.

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- Introduce themselves to the judges who will inform the chair umpire before the warm up prior to the match begins. Once the warm up starts, they will not be allowed to enter the court (except when expressly requested and authorized by the competition judges and the Sports Department).

If during the game they should be absent at any time, they must leave and return to the court during the breaks authorized for the players, but never during the course of the game. In cases of extreme urgency and with the authorization of the chair umpire, they may leave the court.

- Dress and present themselves in a professional manner. They must wear appropriate and clean attire (flip flops are not allowed in any case. Whether a coach is dressed professionally shall be at the sole discretion of the organization).

- For matches on center courts, the coach will only be able to access with a notepad and pen.

- Maintain a correct position in the chair or players' bench, and must sit correctly in such a way that does not imply inconsideration.

- Must display high standards of behavior on the court, responding in a dignified manner to whatever goes on during a match. He must refrain from gestures deemed inappropriate, shouting to encourage his players, or shouting out any instructions to them. He may be penalized by the chair umpire if the permitted levels are exceeded.

- They will not be allowed to stand up during the match until a break authorized for the players or a change of ends takes place.

- They will not be allowed to wear advertisements that are not regulated by these protocols.

Therefor:

o If he is not in sports attire, his clothes must bear no advertising.

o Otherwise, it must meet the requirements set forth in the 2020 Uniforms and Accessories - Coach Manual:

Brand: The coaches' uniforms, in case they are sportswear, must consist of a polo and will show up to a maximum of 2 different brands, one of them being a logo of the apparel manufacturer:

- 1 logo on the front of the shirt (logo of the apparel manufacturer).
- 1 logo on the back of the shirt.
- Coach's name on the back of the shirt.
- Same regulation is applies for sweatshirts.
- Images and logo measurements, plus additional information, may be consulted in the Manual (available in the Trainers APP).

Deadline: Coaches must validate their uniforms with the Sports Department during the first tournament of the season.

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Sector Limitation: The coach may not carry any sponsorship in the WPT Circuit that belongs to the same commercial category of the current Title sponsor of the Circuit. The naming right of the Circuit will be Estrella Damm exclusively. WPT reserves the right to add a second naming right to the competition.

Sports gear on the court: It is not allowed to enter the center court with accessories. Eg. racket, padel bags, drink containers or any other item that might contain a manufacturer identification or a brand logo (except pre-match activations).

The coach may find more information in the aforementioned Manual, published in the Coaches APP.

- In pre-preliminary and preliminary stages, only one coach per pair and tournament can be accredited.
- In the Main Draw, two coaches may be accredited, a head coach and an assistant coach.
- The head coach can sit both in the club and in the pavilion (center court).
- Changes of coaches are not allowed in the pavilion (center and auxiliary court).
- The coach cannot be replaced by another during a match.
- The coaches can never approach a chair umpire to protest or ask for an explanation of any play. Neither can they can't discuss with the chair umpire the applications of the Discipline Regulations.
- The coach cannot be a player who appears in the Official WPT Ranking:
 - o In the event that a coach registered in the WPT database wants to participate as a player, he must formally notify WPT, and can do so only 12 months after the said communication (not having been accredited in any tournament in the last 4 months prior to the end of that period).
 - o A player can only be accredited as a coach if he renounces his status as a WPT player (termination of contract if applicable, and exclusion from the official ranking), not being able to return to the official competition as such, until 12 months later (not having been accredited as a coach, in the last four months prior to the end of that period).
- The coaches may give instructions in the regulatory breaks. In the tie break end changes and in the 1/0 of each set he may not give any sort of instructions and must stand up and walk away. Neither will they be allowed to communicate or provide coaching throughout the game except when the game is interrupted due to injury and there is a time-out for medical attention. They must wait for the Chair Umpire to authorize the start of the time-out to talk to their players.
- There will be a specific warning system for a coach / coaches that will not affect the couple except for "orders and instructions" given to the players outside the specified times, which will have an impact according to the general sanctions regime (as long as the players actively participate in receiving such orders)

The warning system for the coach in all other situations except verbal abuse or physical abuse (which will lead to his being directly disqualified) will be:

1.- Code of conduct, Mr Warning

2.- Code of conduct, Mr Disqualified from the match.

The chair umpire may give a pre-warning if he considers it necessary that does not imply a code of conduct, but that must be communicated to the team (coach and players) with the word "pre-warning".

- The table of penalties for coaches will be as follows:

o 1st infraction: 1 suspension match

o 2nd infraction (first recidivism): 2 suspension matches

o 3rd infraction (second recidivism): 1 suspension tournament

o 4th infraction (third recidivism): 2 suspension matches

o From the 5th infraction: (fourth recidivism): 1 suspension tournament.

- The penalties may also be monetary, maintaining the same proportionality (depending on the round of the tournament) with what is included in the table published in the WPT Discipline Regulations.

- Coaches may use the organization's transport, under the stipulated conditions.

- Coaches may not make a personal use of the WPT logo under no circumstances.

INTERVIEWS

Interviews with coaches before the match: The coaches of both couples will attend to the main broadcaster of the match (WPT or the Television designated by the Organization) in the minutes prior to the start of the match in the bench area.

The schedule will be determined by the WPT Communications Department and agreed with the coaches.

SECTION 3. COURT OFFICIALS – GAME ANALYSIS

COURT OFFICIALS

The court officials will be appointed and informed before the closing of registration of each. The tournament officials are:

- Referee Supervisor.

- Chief Referee.

- Deputy Referee.

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- Assistant Referee

- Chair Umpire.

- Referee in Practice.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE UMPIRES OF THE COMPETITION

The referees of the competition must:

- Take the following items with them on court : a stopwatch, tape measure, vernier caliper or caliber and score cards. WPT will provide the referees with the tape measure, the referee sheets and the Rules and Regulations.

- Apply the W.O., Warnings and incidents, as established in the F.I.P game regulations, the WPT Technical Regulations and this Procedure. All this must be reflected exactly in the arbitration record, including the pre-warnings.

o W.O .: must be indicated with the pair's name and two surnames, indicating whether the pair notified in due time (24 hours before the established time).

o Warnings: Must indicate:

- Name and surname of the sanctioned player.
- Round, set and game where it occurs.
- The most complete description possible of the infraction.
- The player must be clearly informed of the infraction committed. The partner of the sanctioned player must also be informed of the said infraction.

Incidents: Same procedure as for those faults committed before or after the game, although they do not affect it, for subsequent evaluation by the WPT Sports Discipline Committee.

Signature book: All players registered in any competition on the Worldpadeltour professional circuit, before their first match, must sign in the competition's signature book that will be at all venues of the competition. In the case of not signing, WPT will have the right to deny its participation and declare it WO.

COURT PREPARATION

The competition judges or, if applicable, the Chair Umpire, must conduct the following pre – match checks:

- Check the general condition of the court. Make sure that there are no odd or non-regulatory elements on the court, in which case, they must regulate these situations and communicate them to the players prior to the start of matches.

- To measure the net and verify its height before the start of the warm up of each match, the posts that hold the net, etc. comply with the F.I.P. It will be done at the end of the match when a chair umpire is refereeing as match in a central court.

- An umpire high tennis chair is available that is centered on the imaginary extension of the network.

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- Be certain that a microphone can be attached to the Umpire Tennis Chair and that the sound system is working. It is advisable to switch it off during rest times and in those situations that the chair umpire considers appropriate.
- There are no media microphones installed near the Chair Umpire, except WPT's own media.
- The chairs for each couple of players are located on both sides of the Chair Umpire. There will be a third chair for the coach if the Chair Umpire authorizes it
- The balls are in good condition of use and in sufficient quantity. Check that the model of the ball corresponds with the match to be refereed. The organization must try to have some used balls available for replacement during the first days of the competition in case of need.
- The umpires are authorized and obliged to check the measurements of the racket periodically.

REQUIREMENTS

The Referee Judges must meet the following requirements:

- Study, understand and master the Rules and Regulations of the WPT circuit, The Code and any special regulations that might apply to the event they will be working. Everything that has to do with Refereeing. They must know the rules, on – court procedures and techniques thoroughly.
- Must be in good physical condition.
- Must have natural or corrected vision and normal hearing.
- Must arrive on time to all matches assigned to them, showing up on the court before the players do. During the competition they must be present at least 45 minutes before the first match is held and they will be available to WPT during the whole day at any venue of the competition as agreed.
- They should maintain a professional appearance at all times. They must wear appropriate and clean attire and abide by any rule or decision coming from the organization regarding the use of an official uniform.
- Learn to pronounce the name of the players correctly.
- They must not consume alcoholic beverages.
- Not criticize decisions or pass judgments on the performance of other judges / umpires during the course of the match or publicly, including statements to the media that may, otherwise, bring the sport into disrepute.
- During the match they must not communicate with the spectators unless a situation arises that deems their intervention necessary. It's the umpires job to help control a rowdy crowd. The umpire must not let spectators make any noises during a point, so the players aren't distracted. In the event that a spectator or group of spectators use foul language or make disrespectful and inappropriate comments about the players or any of the officials or referees, interrupting the match, the chair umpire or the chief referee will call the tournament or competition director to locate the mentioned group or spectator and take the appropriate actions. If spectators persist in breaking the etiquette and normal development of the match, the chair judge will notify the sports department to decide on a solution.

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- Permanently maintain strict impartiality with respect to all the players and must avoid any real or perceived conflicts of interest. They must not enter into any relationship or take any action on and off court that may call into question their impartiality as an Official.
- They may not referee / chair a match when any of the players involved in the match is a first or second degree relative. Greeting players at the beginning of the match must be correct and formal. Kissing cheeks is expressly prohibited.
- At all times conduct themselves in a professional and ethical manner, respecting the authority of the Supervisor / Chief Referee, the other Referees, the players and the spectators.
- Fill in the refereeing sheets, acts and information on the results at the following times:
 - o Results and final data of all matches: 5 minutes
 - o Acts of the matches: At the end of the day
 - o Final Act: 48 hours after the end of the last match of the competition

REFEREE SUPERVISOR

- Recruit a sufficient number of qualified referees for the Tournament.
- Conduct the necessary previous meetings with the Referees, where the paddle Rules, Duties and Procedures, Code of Conduct and the Regulations of the tournament in question will be reviewed.
- Prepare a list of Referees who will work in the Tournament.
- Program the daily appointments of the Referees on the court.
- Conduct meetings with the Referees to communicate the appointments, as well as the procedures to be used (announcements, signals, etc.), rotations and all their responsibilities.
- Assess the performance of the Umpires on the court.
- Be present in the tournament throughout the day of the match.
- The Referees supervisor may act as Chair Umpire in a tournament, in situations of force majeure and always with the authorization of the sports department.
- Help the sports department in everything related to the competition itself.
- The supervisor or the Chief Referee will be called to assist the chair umpire on court whenever necessary to resolve any doubts or disputes that the players may have over the correct application and interpretation of the regulations and this procedure.
- The referee supervisor may assume all the powers of the referee team, in and out of competition.
- On any court of the competition he will be seated in a special assigned place of relevance.

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- He will provide assistance in technical, regulatory and video review issues.

- He may enter a court in the event of a health emergency or any other situation that might affect the good shape of a court.

- Together with the sports team, based on the report of the umpires, will determine whether a player or any other person is disqualified from the competition.

CHAIR UMPIRE

Requirements:

1. He is the person directly responsible for controlling and refereeing the matches assigned to him, and it is for this reason that he has to make two kinds of decisions:

- Based on the correct application and interpretation of the regulation in respect to the specific plays that may have occurred. If the player does not agree with the decisions made by the Chair Umpire, he may appeal to the Tournament Supervisor or Referee, whose decision will be final and not subject to appeal.
- Based on the reality of the events that occur on – court (for example, a player steps on the service line when serving). These decisions must be accepted both by the players and the Referee.

2. Discuss with the players, when required, the application of the Regulation to a specific play or situation, provided that it has been politely requested, that it does not extend in time more than it should and that it is not repetitive.

3. Immediately before the start of the match, meet on the court with the players to:

- Provide and communicate any information that may be considered of interest to the players.
- Check that the players are equipped in accordance with the guidelines established in the Code of Conduct. A player who must change his / her attire will have 2 minutes to do so without losing his right to participate in the warm up.

4. Make sure that there are enough balls for the entire match. Have some used balls for replacement. The tennis ball container with which a match begins must be opened during the draw and in front of the players, provided that it is not played with 4 balls (see 5.) In this case there will be an open container with one or two balls that will be used for the first change. New ball containers during a game must be opened just before the ball change. In the Pre-Preliminary phase, only one container will be used per match (except if the third set is played).

5. Control all ball changes and determine when a ball is not fit to be used for play. Lost balls must be replaced as soon as practical or necessary. If a ball is to be replaced during the warm up or the first two games, it will be replaced with a new one; in any other case it will be replaced with a similar. The match may be started or resumed with two balls, normally three. In no case may the match be resumed with just one ball.

Establish the periodicity and apply the ball changes as established in the Technical Regulations:

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Types of Balls:

Male Category:

Ball changes are mandatory in the matches corresponding to the Preliminary Round and the Final Draw (in the Pre-Qualifying phase with special conditions).

In 2020, the Organization will continue using: "Head Pro" and "Head Pro-S" balls.

- On the Center Court (Curly Grass):

▸ More than 500 meters above sea level: "Head Paddle Pro" balls will be used. Matches will be played with 4 balls which will be changed after every 7 and 9 games.

▸ 500 meters below sea level: "Head Paddle Pro - S" balls will be used. Matches will be played with 4 balls which will be changed after every 7 and 9 games.

- In the club:

▸ "Head Pro" balls will be used. Matches will be played with 3 balls which will be changed after every 7 and 9 games.

▸ In Pre-Preliminary Round matches, balls will be changed only if a third set is played.

▸ In the case of using curly grass courts in the club, the same height criteria will be taken into account as with the Center Court and it will be played with 4 balls.

Female category:

Ball changes are mandatory in the matches corresponding to the Preliminary Phase and the Final Draw, at 7 and 9 games. In the Pre-Preliminary Phase, the change of balls will take place, only in the case of playing a third set.

All tournaments and rounds shall use the ball "HEAD Paddle Pro-S". On "curly grass" courts matches will be played with 4 balls.

Explanatory Table:

MASCULINA	TIPO BOLAS	Nº BOLAS	TIPO BOLAS	Nº BOLAS	
	500 +		500 -		CAMBIO
PABELLON	PRO	4	S	4	7/9
CLUB RIZADO	PRO	4	S	4	7/9
CLUB NO RIZADO	PRO	3	PRO	3	7/9
PRE PREVIAS RIZADO	PRO	4	S	4	3 SET
PRE PREVIAS NO RIZADO	PRO	3	PRO	3	3 SET
FEMENINA	TIPO BOLAS	Nº BOLAS	TIPO BOLAS	Nº BOLAS	
	500 +		500 -		CAMBIO
PABELLON	S	4	S	4	7/9
CLUB RIZADO	S	4	S	4	7/9
CLUB NO RIZADO	S	3	S	3	7/9
PRE PREVIAS RIZADO	S	4	S	4	3 SET
PRE PREVIAS NO RIZADO	S	3	S	3	3 SET

6. Ball Change Policy:

- Changes will be made as follows: the first change after the first 7 games and then after every 9 games. However, the Referee will decide to a ball change due to weather conditions or other factors. If the players omit the corresponding change, it will take place in the first service game of the pair that should have served with new balls. A ball change shall not take place at the beginning of a tie-break game.
- If for some reason the game were to be interrupted and a new 5 minute warm up decided, two games would be added to ball wear. When an interruption for medical treatment is required by a player for 3, 5 or 15 minutes, and the player's opponents and / or his / her partner want to warm up during the medical time - out, they will be given used balls. When there is a warm up, but all four players agree not to use it, the game will continue.

Score card

The Chair Umpire must:

1. Write down the name of the competition, the round, the name of the players, the expected time of the game, etc. before the game. In the "court number" section "PC" must be indicated when it is the center court of the tournament

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and "C or Club" when it is a club court. If the matches will be played on two courts of the same facility, the main one will be indicated with "1" and the other with "2".

2. After the draw, indicate who won it and what was the player's choice. Check that the entire card is complete with data. The main referee judge will be responsible for reviewing the correct fulfillment of the card and its delivery to the Sports department.

3. Write down ALL the timetables:

- Start of the match, "Starting time", including the warm up.
- All the times corresponding to the "End Time" and "Start Time" of the set (not including warm up and the game End Of GameTime).

4. Write down the initials of every one of the players, according to the order of their services and also the service sides, in the corresponding place on the card.

5. Write down in advance the game in which the change of balls must be made.

6. Record the points as follows: 15 = 1, 30 = 3, 40 = 4, no advantage = "GP" gold point.

7. Clearly note the "no advantage / gold point" and the partial results of the Tie - Break.

8. At the end of each game the total number of those won by each pair of players is written down in the "Games" column.

9. Write down all violations of the code in the section Code of Conduct.

10. Record Medical Time - outs.

11. Player Signature: Players do not need to sign the score card.

12. Record the Final result on the first sheet, including the result of the tie-break when it occurs.

Refereeing:

The Chair Umpire must act actively in all situations in which he observes that there has been a violation of the rules of the game. Refereeing must be active, among others, in these situations:

1. First Service Fault: those which occur in the server's court and those that are clearly long or wide in the receiver's court. In those that occur in the receiver's box, the umpire will wait for the players to call it. If a player calls it out and another player or the player that called it asks for another opinion (by asking or looking) from the chair umpire, the chair umpire's decision will be decisive. The umpire may decide not to award the point, order another serve or confirm the player's call.

2. Net. Player who touches the net. The net includes its supporting posts and protection.

It is strictly forbidden for a player to touch the net while the ball is in play. In fact, no part of the player's body, clothing, or racket must touch the net or net posts while the ball is in play. Neither is the player allowed to jump the net in a game of padel as he / she would be invading the opponents' court.

In the event that a player drops something that he / she carries with him / her (example, cap, etc.) and this object touches the net, it will result in a loss of point.

The ball can only touch the net (voluntarily or involuntarily) on a return and will be considered good if it falls on the opposite side. Otherwise, a let will be applied when the ball is in a place that could lead to a dangerous situation for the players.

3. Double Bounce.

4. Through, ball that crosses the net.

5. Anti-regulatory hit. Double hit, with the hand, etc.

6. Let, if the point must be played again.

7. Deliberately or unintentionally hindering an opponent:

- Deliberately hindering an opponent implies losing a point and the application of the disciplinary regulations.
- If it is unintentional:
 1. On the first occasion a let is called.
 2. From the second onwards, a point will be lost.
 3. If the player breaks a string in his racket while the ball is in play he / she will automatically lose the point.

If a player drops an item (ball, glasses, cap, etc...) the chair umpire must determine whether it's unintentional or not.

8. Rectifying and slowing down a play. A correction, the ball was good or a correction, the ball was out or fault.

9. Please wait. To delay the service when certain circumstances require it.

ENTERING AND LEAVING CENTRAL COURT PROTOCOL - PRESENTATION OF THE MATCH

In the opening match of the day, all four players will have to show up at the facilities at least 10 minutes before the established time. The umpire, sports staff, hostesses and ball persons will all be on court, which will be prepared for the start of the competition, 10 minutes before the beginning of the match. The umpire must check the good condition of the court, height of the net, make sure that there are no odd or non-regulatory elements on the court if he detects any anomaly, he / she will notify the Tournament Director or the Sports Director for its correction. The chair umpire, once the game is over, will get off the chair, review the measures of the net and the 4 players must go to the rest area or video review once they have left the court. The chair umpire of the following match must not enter the court until the sports or tournament manager authorizes it, and both chair umpires must not coincide on court.

The chair umpire will await by his / her chair for the players to arrive. The speaker will announce the entry into the center court area of the four players. First, that of the couple with the lower ranking, secondly, the other couple. The first player presented will arrive at the rest area where he / she will leave his / her bag and wait for his / her partner. The second player presented will arrive at the rest area, will leave his / her bag and the couple will await for their opponents to be presented. The third player presented will arrive at the rest area where he / she will leave his / her bag and wait for his partner. The fourth player presented will arrive at the rest area and leave his / her bag. Once the four players are presented, the chair umpire will ask them to enter the court, where he will greet them.

On the court and at the appointed time, the Chair Umpire will stand for a photograph with the players. Afterwards, he / she will give the instructions he / she deems necessary and will toss a coin, the couple who serves will have to tell the referee which of the two serves first and the other couple will have to say who receives first. Next, the Chair Umpire will hand the balls to the couple who has been assigned the first serve. The warm up will start and will last five minutes + two, as established by the FIP rules of the game and the WPT procedure.

The chair umpire will climb up to his / her chair and call "five minutes". After two minutes he / she will call "three minutes". He / she will then proceed to give the match's technical information through his / her microphone: "The match will be played to the best of 3 sets with tie-breaks in all of them and the change of balls will take place in the sequence of 7 and 9 games. The couple "Surname, Surname" has won the coin toss and has chosen (service, return or end) ". " Please switch off your phones or put them in silent mode and if you are going to take pictures, turn off the flash." "Take advantage of the change of ends to leave your seats to exit and return to the court and remember that at the end of the first game of each set there is no break." Then he will call a minute and at the end he will call "time".

The chair umpire will refrain from making other comments through the microphone such as: "enjoy the game", etc.

Players upon hearing the word "time" will end their warm up and will have two minutes to go to their rest area or continue the warm up. It is within the first of those two minutes that a player may request to go to the bathroom, which will be counted as an authorized break. (See Toilet Breaks).

After those two minutes and upon hearing the word "time", the players will have 30 seconds to start the match, at which point the Chair Umpire will call "play".

When the chair umpire gets off his / her chair he will measure the net and if it is ok he / she will leave the court area and the next referee will enter when the sports department indicates it.

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CALLS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Presentation without a speaker (generally 1/16 and 1/8 final):

As an example: "Good morning. Welcome to the (Name of the Championship or Tournament). Next, there will be a final match (indicate the phase, eighths, quarters, whichever corresponds), between the players: To the right of the chair (or to my right) returning on the forehand court Mr. "Surname" and returning on the backhand court Mr. "Surname" and to the left of the chair (or to my left) returning on the forehand court Mr. "Surname" and on the backhand court Mr. "Surname". The players will be presented in order of the pairing with the lower ranking. On some occasions, when a player is local or there is any other justifying cause, the order of presentation may be modified. The sporting manager will, in that case, be previously consulted.

"The match will be played to the best of 3 sets with a tie-break ..." (See Protocol for entering and leaving Center Court Presentation).

Moments before the start of the match: "Mr. "Surname" to serve".

Moments before starting the game: "Mr." Surname "at the service".

Addressing spectators :

The chair umpire should always address spectators on polite terms such as:

"Silence please, thank you." "Please take your seat, thanks."

Related to the Score:

The score of the pair that is in service is always mentioned first, except in the "tie break".

The score is called out as follows: Fifteen-Love (or Love-Fifteen), Thirty-Zero (or Love-Thirty), Forty-Love (or Love-Forty), Fifteen all, Thirty-Fifteen (or Fifteen-Thirty), Forty-Fifteen (or Fifteen-Forty), Thirty all, Forty-Thirty (or Thirty-Forty), Deuce: Gold Point. After the game we will call as follows: "Game "Surname, Surname", they lead by one game to love in the first set". Game "Surname, Surname", one game all, first set". Game "Surname, Surname" they win the first set by 6 games to 4. If the score reached six all, it will be called in the following manner: Game "Surname, Surname", six games all in the first set. Tie break.

In the tie break, the score will be called by stating the score first and then the surnames of the players that are winning. 1-0, "Surname, Surname". 5 all. 6-5, "Surname, Surname". At the end of the tie break, the following is called: Game "Surname, Surname", they win the first set by 7 games to 6. At the end of the match he/she calls: Game, set and match "Surname, Surname". They win by 6-3, 5-7, 6-2.

Related to the Code of Conduct. - Penalty program

Penalties imposed for violation of the Code of Conduct must be called in the following terms (examples):

Violation of the Code of Conduct, first warning, Mr. "Surname" and first to the pair "Surname, Surname".

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Violation of the Code of Conduct, first warning, Mr. "Surname" and second to the pair "Surname, Surname " which leads to loss of one point. Then the new score will be called.

Violation of the Code of Conduct, second warning, Mr. "Surname" and third to the pair "Surname, Surname " which leads to the pair getting disqualified. Then the new score will be called.

Violation of the Code of Conduct, warning, Mr. "Surname" and fourth to the pair "Surname, Surname " which means their disqualification. The couple "Surname, Surname " win the match by (score) _____ and disqualification of the pair "Surname, Surname ".

VERY IMPORTANT: The referee must be sure that both players in the pair have clearly heard the Code violation notice.

MEDICAL TREATMENT ON COURT - MEDICAL TIME-OUT

During the warm-up or the game, the player may request, through the Chair Umpire, that the physiotherapist evaluate him / her during the next change of ends or set change (rest). The player can request through the Chair Umpire that the physiotherapist evaluate him / her immediately only in the case that a player believes he / she has developed an acute, treatable medical condition necessitating an immediate stop in play. The Chair Umpire should not request the presence of the physiotherapist on court if he / she does not detect a visible acute medical condition or the player tells him / her that he / she suffers from an acute illness (labored breathing, asthma, chest pain, etc.).

Physiotherapists will enter the court, whenever the Umpire requires it.

The evaluation of the players will be performed by the physiotherapist.

The purpose of the medical evaluation is to determine if the player has developed a treatable medical condition and, therefore, to determine when medical treatment is warranted. Evaluations by the physiotherapist shall be performed within a reasonable length of time, balancing player safety on the one hand and continuous play on the other (recommended not to exceed fifteen (15) minutes) (within the first 10 minutes of the interruption, the umpire must communicate whether the match continues or not). The physiotherapist will decide whether the evaluation can be performed together with the tournament doctor off court.

If the physiotherapist determines that the player has a non - treatable medical condition , then he / she will tell the player that he / she may not receive treatment. Non - treatable medical conditions:

- Any medical condition (inclusive of symptoms) that will not be improved by available medical treatment within the time allowed.
- Player fatigue.

Medical Time-out

A Medical Time-out is granted by Chair Umpire when the physiotherapist has evaluated the player and has determined that additional time for medical treatment is required. The Medical Time-out takes place during a change of ends or set break, unless the physiotherapist determines the player has developed an acute medical condition that requires immediate medical treatment.

Medical Time-out begins after the completion and diagnosis of medical condition by the physiotherapist, if required, and be timed from the moment when the physiotherapist is ready to commence treatment. The umpire may

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authorize for that condition three (3) minute time-out in addition to two more time-outs of 90 seconds (or 120) which would take place during a change of ends or set break (not during the 1-0 or TB), except bleeding wounds that will have a maximum of 15 minutes (3-minute warm up) and accidents resulting from the game that will have a maximum of a 5 minute stop (without warm up).

Players are allowed one Medical Time-Out per match for each distinct treatable medical condition, except when a player suffers, after being treated once, an emergency, accident or any other special circumstance (bleeding wound, vomiting, being hit by a ball, etc.) in which case he / she may receive medical attention again.

Muscle cramps:

A player may receive treatment for muscle cramping only during the time allotted for change of ends and/or set breaks (not during the game, on the 1-0 or T.B. change of ends). In cases where there is doubt about whether it is an acute medical condition, non-acute medical condition, inclusive of muscle cramping, or non-treatable medical condition, the decision of the physiotherapist is final. There may be a total of two changes of ends treatments for muscle cramping in a match, not necessarily consecutive.

A player who has stopped play by claiming an acute medical condition, but is determined by the physiotherapist or the Tournament Physician, if appropriate, to have muscle cramping, shall be ordered by the Chair Umpire to resume play immediately.

If the player cannot continue playing due to severe muscle cramping, the player may forfeit the point or game(s) needed to get to a change of ends or set break in order to receive treatment, making the best efforts possible before the change.

When a player requests the assistance of a physiotherapist in the next change of ends the Chair Umpire shall call for the physiotherapist to assist the player as soon as the change occurs.

After the end of medical time - out or medical treatment, any delay in resumption of play shall be penalized as a Code of Conduct violation for Delay of Game.

Bleeding wounds:

If a player is bleeding, the Chair Umpire must stop play as soon as possible and call the physiotherapist to the court for evaluation and treatment. The physiotherapist, in conjunction with the Tournament Physician, if appropriate, will evaluate the source of the bleeding and request a medical time - out for treatment, if necessary. The Chair Judge may allow up to a total of fifteen minutes to assure control of bleeding.

If blood has spilled onto the court or its immediate vicinity, play should not resume until the blood spill has been cleaned appropriately.

Blisters:

The following protocol is established for the treatment of blisters:

- The player will be allowed treatment of blisters once per match and will not be counted as medical time - out.

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Under no circumstances, will it be considered an acute medical condition and will be treated only in the corresponding break, and during the corresponding regulatory time. The treatment will never exceed 90 or 120 seconds (the physiotherapist may, following the evaluation, begin / resume treatment if time remains in the change of ends or set break.).

Vomiting:

If a player is vomiting, the Chair Umpire must stop play if vomit has spilled onto the court, or if the player requests medical attention. If the player requests medical attention, then the physiotherapist shall determine if the player has a treatable medical condition.

If vomit has spilled onto the court, play must not resume until the vomit spill has been cleaned appropriately.

Physical Incapacity:

During the match, if there is an emergency medical condition, and the player involved is unable to make a request for a physiotherapist, the Chair Umpire immediately shall call for the physiotherapist and Tournament Physician to assist the player. Either before or during a match, if a player is considered physically unable to compete, or poses a serious health risk to players, officials, or Tournament staff, the physiotherapist or the Tournament Physician should inform the Sports Department and recommend that the player be ruled unable to compete in the match to be played, or retired from the match in progress. In addition, if the Sports Department, in conjunction with the Tournament doctor or physiotherapist, determines that a player's participation in a Tournament match may put the player's life at risk due to a life threat or serious medical condition, the Sports Department has the authority to retire the player from the match in progress.

The Sports Department shall use great discretion before taking this action and should base the decision on the best interests of Professional Padel, as well as taking all medical advice and any other information into consideration.

Withdrawal from a match

The player must undergo an evaluation and examination with the Tournament Physician when he does not show up for a match after having won the previous match. The Tournament Physician will determine if the player is unable or not to play the match.

Procedure:

After authorizing a 3-minute Medical Time - Out, the Chair Umpire must announce:

Medical Time - Out: 3 Minutes, 2 Minutes, 1 Minute, Time.

If the Medical Time - Out is for a maximum of 15 minutes, due to a bleeding wound, the Chair Umpire will announce:

"Medical Time - Out due to a bleeding wound, maximum 15 minutes."

If, as a consequence of the game, a player suffers a bleeding wound, he may be treated by medical personnel, but only and exclusively with the intention of stopping the bleeding. The doctor or the physiotherapist will determine how long it will take them to stop the bleeding, without exceeding the authorized 15 minutes. The Chair Umpire will

announce "Time", when the 15 minutes or the time that the medical staff estimates have expired. The medical examination and treatment of the wound, and the non-consequence of the play, will not be counted as Medical Time - Out.

If the match is not resumed within twenty seconds after the announcement of "Time", the delay will be penalized in accordance with the Time Code. If the time-out is made on a change of ends or between sets, it must be added to the time allowed for such breaks.

If the interruption of the game exceeds 10 minutes, there must be a 3-minute warm up.

The rest of the players can sit and drink water, isotonic drinks, etc. when another player is receiving medical treatment for an injury. Players may receive instructions from coaches during a time - out due to injury or accident.

The Chair Umpire will allow a brief interruption if a player who has been hit by a ball, fallen involuntarily, etc. during the course of the match should need it to recover from the incident. Only under very special circumstances, and the interruption should never exceed 5 minutes.

If the presence of the physiotherapist is necessary, it must be requested immediately (1 minute), either by the player or by his partner, and in this case the physiotherapist's assessment and treatment will be 5 minutes (counted from the start of the assessment). In the event that the player (or his partner) requires the presence of the physiotherapist after the first minute has passed and before the second, the referee will stop the clock, and the treatment will be completed during the remaining time after the 5 minute interruption established, from the arrival of the physiotherapist on - court. After 2 minutes of interruption, if the player requires the presence of the physiotherapist, the treatment will be carried out for the remaining time within the 5 minutes provided for the interruption (without stopping the clock). The player will be able to drink, rest and receive instructions during medical attention.

A player may request a towel to clean up when, as a consequence of play, a he / she falls or leans on the floor and gets sand all over his/her body. He / she may do so without leaving the court and in a reasonable time.

VIDEO REVIEW

In all Tournaments where this system can be technically applied, each couple will have the right to request an official video review when a disagreement arouses over judgement call from the Chair Umpire. This replay may be requested from the quarterfinal round of the main men's and women's draws (in the event that the latter are played on the center court).

Only the Chair Umpire and / or the Umpire can see the replay in the area designated for this purpose. Once the video has been verified, the Chair Umpire will confirm or overturn the call on the court. This decision will be final and the game must be resumed immediately (10 seconds). The player can appeal no further. Otherwise, the application of the corresponding code of conduct will be at the discretion of the Chair Umpire. Procedure :

- Each couple will have the right to 2 replays per set, including the tie-break.
- The players can only request the replays that refer exclusively to a game point, never on an action related to the disciplinary rules.

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- The couple must request a replay immediately after the dubious play occurs, stopping the point, if necessary, and not allowing the point to continue (unless it is immediately after a player has hit a ball). If this doubt occurs at the end of a game, the request must be immediate and never after 10 seconds.

Accounting system:

- o If the couple that requests the replay is NOT right, the use of the replay will be counted and the decision of the Chair Umpire will be upheld.
- o If the couple that requests the replay IS right, the use of the replay will not be counted and the decision of the Chair Umpire will be rectified.
- o If the visualization is DOUBTFUL, the use of replay is not counted and the Chair Umpire will call a let. The decision as to whether it is dubious or not will depend only on the umpire. A pairing can never view a replay.

Players must not leave the court while waiting for the video review, and must wait for the Umpire's decision on the court. While the players remain on - court their behavior must abide by de Code of Conduct. They may not leave the court to drink, eat, sit, or receive instructions.

When the 4 players disagree on a call that has been challenged, the Chair Umpire will wait 10 seconds before making a decision, unless one of the couples requests to see a review of the call. If the Chair Umpire considers it necessary, he / she may request a video review to clarify a call. If the 4 players agree, the Chair Umpire may abide by their decision, as long as the video review has not been completed, and has not ruled on it, in which case the decision will be final.

TIMES

CONTINUOUS PLAY. Whenever there is no interference, the time periods established in the Rules of Play must be respected, both between points and in authorized breaks. To control the interval between points, the time elapsed from when the ball is out of play until it is hit to perform the service at the next point will be taken into account. The umpires will determine if the ball that ended the point has ended up in a place that requires extending the time between one point and another.

If a situation occurs between the first and second service that does not allow the game to flow, the umpires will award a first service. The time between one point and another (20 seconds) is applicable to both the server and the receiver. When all 4 players are ready, the flow of the play must not be interrupted.

In changes of ends during the tie break and when the result is 1 - 0 in games, the maximum time allowed will be 30 seconds.

Application of times:

At the end of a point, the chair umpire will activate the stopwatch and after 20 seconds, both the receiver and the server must be prepared to start the next point.

For the 90-second rule, the chair umpire will give a "time" notice at 70 seconds. For the 120 seconds the warning will be made at 100 seconds.

If the players exceed the authorized times in all the sets of a match (this does not include the calls in the warm up), the Point Penalty Schedule must be applied (See Point Penalty Schedule).

A chronometer will be used for time control, pressing it when the player is ordered to play or the ball is out of play.

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RECTIFICATION: Corrections, clarifications or questions from a player must not affect the maximum established times that must continue to be respected.

Warm up	5 + 2 minutes
Between points	20 seconds
Change of ends in 1-0 y T.B.	30 seconds
Change of ends	90 seconds
Set Change	120 seconds
Medical Time - Out	3, 5 o 15 minutes

When a game, before another scheduled "upcoming", ends due to a player not showing up, injury etc. a maximum courtesy time of 20 minutes will be granted, as long as the match ends in the first set. Otherwise it will be "upcoming". Under certain circumstances not attributable to players that prevents them from being ready for a match (eg transport), WPT will determine a time period for the start of the match.

Once the review is over and the decision is made, the chair umpire will announce from his seat:

The Pair _____ / _____ MAINTAINS the 2 Video Reviews for this Set

The Pair _____ / _____ MAINTAINS 1 Video Review for this Set

The Pair _____ / _____ Couple **used up** the Video Reviews for this Set

When the video review is requested by the umpire, whatever his / her decision, neither pairs' use of the video review will not be counted.

SUSPENSION AND POSTPONEMENT

The chair umpire can suspend a match due to unavoidable circumstances - bad weather conditions and darkness - that may cause the courts to be unplayable. Any suspension decided by the Chair Umpire must be immediately communicated to the Chief Umpire and Sports Management. The Chief Umpire, together with the Tournament Director and the Sports Director will decide if the match should be postponed or resumed. Until the Referee has confirmed the postponement of the match, the players and Umpires must be prepared to resume play immediately.

After the suspension of the match, the Chair Umpire must write down the score in points, games and sets, the name of the server, the sides on which each player was located and collect all the balls used in the match.

SUSPENSION PROTOCOL

Suspension: It is defined as the time interval from the technical stoppage of a match to its resumption and / or from the start time of the competition to the resumption of a match.

Types of suspension:

If an official competition day of the WPT Circuit should be suspended for reasons of force majeure (mainly rain and / or darkness or damage to facilities, among others), the different types of suspension will be as follows:

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- **SHORT SUSPENSION:** The waiting time until the resumption of the match is less than 10 minutes and it will resume without warm up.

- **MEDIUM SUSPENSION:** The waiting time ranges from 10 to 30 minutes. The game will resume with a 3 minute warm up.

- **LONG SUSPENSION:** The waiting time is greater than 30 minutes. The game will resume with a 5 minute warm up.

In any case, if the players agree and the Umpire so authorizes, the match may be resumed without prior warm up.

In all types of suspension, WPT will immediately cover the playing court, its exteriors and benches (in case of rain).

Types of Measures:

If the suspension of one or more days of an official competition is necessary, in any of its formats, the players and the organization of WPT will adopt the following types of measures:

- **SHORT SUSPENSION:** Players will remain in the Bench Area while WPT assesses the actual situation on the playing court.

- **MEDIUM AND LONG SUSPENSION:** Players will leave the court, remaining in the Players' Room or any other place determined by the WPT organization where they will receive the information on the measures adopted.

Protocol - Inability to start the competition

Two different cases:

1. The competition cannot start at the scheduled start time, but it can during the course of the day.

- WPT will make an official statement to players through its Communication department, which will be solely responsible for publicly informing of the decisions taken by the organization.

- WPT will inform the players of the decision taken and the communication of the resolution in the Players' Room.

- The Players must be in this Room at the time established by the organization for the resumption of the match and the competition.

- Types of suspension:

- Brief: The game is resumed directly, without warm up.
- Medium: The game resumes after a 3 minute warm up.
- Long: Once the Organization has announced that the match will be resumed, the players will have a maximum time of 30 minutes to return to the playing court. The game resumes after a 5 minute warm up.

- The above mentioned procedure will be applied to further interruptions (unlimited) once the competition is resumed.

2. The competition cannot be started partially or totally during the entire competition day.

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- WPT may decide to hold matches in other facilities (covered in case of rain), modify their schedule, or the schedule for the following day, both on the central and auxiliary courts.

- In the event of having to play more than one match on the same day, the provisions of the Technical Regulations in relation to the established rest times will be met (III.3.3. GENERAL PRINCIPLES - TIMETABLES AND ALLOCATION OF COURTS).

- The decision to suspend a match or a competition corresponds exclusively to the Organization. In no case may the player leave the court without prior authorization from the Organization. In case of doing so, the Organization may resolve with the loss of the match and the corresponding sanction.

CODE OF CONDUCT / UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT - PENALTIES

The Umpires are responsible for ensuring that the Code of Conduct is respected during the match, accordingly, the corresponding penalties will be applied immediately.

At the end of the match, the players will continue to be required to respect the Code of Conduct and any incidents or misconducts that may occur will be reflected in the Match Report and Final Act, and in all cases the player must be informed of this incident or misconduct and reflect it in the referee's report.

POINT PENALTY SCHEDULE:

Pairs will get 3 warnings before being disqualified. The 4th will imply disqualification, except when serious verbal or physical abuse, which will imply immediate disqualification. These violations of the code also include time violations.

- 1.- Code of conduct, Mr Warning - Warning.
- 2.- Code of conduct, Mr with loss of point.
- 3.- Code of conduct, Mr with Match Default (without changing the sequences related to the order of service or the change of balls).
- 4.- Code of conduct, Mr with Match Default.

If he / she deems it necessary, the Chair Umpire may make a "pre-warning" that does not imply a code of conduct. The Umpire will wait for a change of ends to communicate any infraction to the players, but will only do it publicly when he / she considers that it is necessary to do it immediately due to lack of time for the change of ends or due to the nature of the infraction. The referee must be sure that both players in the couple have clearly heard the "pre-warning".

The couple may not, whatever the reason, get any more "pre-warnings".

When there is an important and serious circumstance "particularly injurious to the image / success of the Tournament" that affects the rules of conduct (never to game situations) by a player, which the Chair Umpire has not been able to see, either the Umpire Supervisor, Competition Referees or personnel from the sports department may indicate this to the Chair Umpire IMMEDIATELY.

Players that incur in the following circumstances will be sanctioned according to the Table of Penalties:

(a) Aggressive and / or unsportsmanlike behaviors, attitudes and / or gestures, which are particularly serious, when addressing players, Chair Umpire, Umpire , coaches, spectators, organizers, members of WPT or any person related

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with the tournament or competition, as well as public statements that incite violence. In particular, this offense includes, among others, merely by way of illustration and not restrictive:

(a.I) Verbal abuse is defined as any statement about an official (Chair Umpire, Umpire, etc.), opponent, coaches, spectator, organizers, members of WPT or any person related with the tournament or competition, that implies dishonesty or is derogatory, insulting, or otherwise abusive. Any verbal expression that, without being considered an insult in the strict sense, carries intrinsic contempt or notorious jocularity with respect to all the aforementioned subjects, will also be considered as verbal abuse. In any case, verbal abuse must represent a serious infringement.

(a.II) Physical abuse, understood as assault on officials (Chair Umpire, Umpire, etc.), opponent, coaches, spectator, organizers, members of WPT or any person related with the tournament or competition.

(b) Threats and coercion on officials (Chair Umpire, Umpire, etc.), opponent, coaches, spectator, organizers, members of WPT or any person related with the tournament or competition, in respect to the development of the tournament or competition or during the same.

The Chair Umpire will also not allow a player who wins a point to demonstrate by celebrating it in an offensive and unsportsmanlike manner towards the opponent, through clearly provocative gestures or attitudes towards his rival, and that could generate tension and conflict in the future development of the match.

(c) Notorious and public acts that violate the dignity and decorum of sport.

(d) The unjustified withdrawal from the matches or the Competition in which the player must participate.

(e) A player shall not leave the court area during a match (including the warm-up) without the permission of an official.

(f) The lack of decorum or inappropriate behavior of the player off the court, but within the tournament grounds. (INCIDENT)

g) Abuse of racket and balls. Players shall not violently, dangerously, or with anger hit, kick, or throw a racket or other equipment within the precincts of the Tournament site. For the purposes of this rule, abuse of racquets or equipment is defined as intentionally, dangerously, and violently hitting the net, court, umpire's chair, or other fixture during a match out of anger. Players shall not violently, dangerously, or with anger hit, kick, or throw a tennis ball while on the grounds of the Tournament site except in the reasonable pursuit of a point during a match (including warm up). For the purposes of this rule, abuse of balls is defined as intentionally or recklessly hitting a ball out of the enclosure of the court, hitting a ball dangerously or recklessly within the court, or hitting a ball with disregard of the consequences.

(h) The manipulation or alteration, either personally or through an interposed person, of the material or sports equipment against the technical rules of paddle tennis, when such behavior poses a threat to the safety of the competition or anyone taking part in it.

(i) Audible and Visible obscenities that are not constitutive of another very serious infraction. Audible obscenity is defined as the use of words well known and understood to be offensive and being spoken loud enough to be heard by the Tournament Umpire, spectators and organizers of the match. Visible obscenities are defined as signs or gestures made with hands, rackets, balls or any other part of the body that commonly have an obscene meaning or offend the general public.

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(j) Player's neglect of his sports gear and attire.

(k) Conduct themselves in a manner that predisposes the spectators against the Umpire or the referee team.

(l) Once started, a match must be continuous and no player may delay it without reasonable cause over and above the times permitted in the Rules of the Match Regulations.

(m) **Apathy.** When competing in a tournament, all the players must try their best to win the match in which they are participating.

For the purposes of this rule, the Chair Umpire shall have the authority to sanction a player in accordance with the Table of Penalties.

(n) **Passive attitude** in complying with the orders and instructions of the Chair Umpire.

Likewise, the following behaviors or circumstances will be subject to sanction through its Regulations, by the Sports Discipline Committee:

a) In circumstances that are blatant and particularly detrimental to the success of a tournament, or are particularly serious, the Sports Supervisor may refer the matter to the WPT Discipline Committee which will conduct an investigation to determine whether misconduct has occurred or conduct contrary to the integrity of the game.

b) Prize money won in that event will be retained by WPT until the investigation has been completed and a resolution has been formulated.

c) Unjustified withdrawal or retirement from a competition. W.O.

d) The undue participation, understood as such the impersonation of any of the members of the pair, by the players in any of the WPT events, matches or competitions, in contravention of the provisions of the General Regulations of WPT, Game Regulations and other applicable rules.

e) Abuse or lack of care in the conservation of social premises, sports facilities or equipment.

f) Failure to attend the tournament award ceremony.

g) Any public statement that may be considered offensive, harmful or disrespectful towards the WPT circuit.

More information available for players on all types of Faults, Infractions, Offenses and Penalties and Sanctions established in the WPT Sports Discipline Regulations on the Player's APP and official website (www.worldpadeltour.com).

Minor Faults:

In order to guarantee compliance with minimum standards of behavior and good use of the facilities, the following offenses / infractions will be sanctioned, classified as minor:

- Inappropriate behavior whilst training (screaming, clothing, etc.)

- Not showing up to a practice when a reservation has been previously made.

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Penalties of 20 to 30 euros are established for these minor offenses. The total of the proceeds from the commission of these faults will go to the Players Association.

SECTION 4. BALL PERSONS

COORDINATION AND PROTOCOLS

In order to participate as ball kid in the tournaments that are part of the WPT circuit, those interested must complete a form designed for this purpose, which can be accessed through the link that WPT will make available for each tournament.

Applicants must be over 12 years old, and the following sections must be completed on the form:

- Name and surname of the father / mother and ID (authorizing their child to register for WPT ball boy).
- Required personal data (name and surname, ID, Telephone and email).
- License number (not compulsory).
- Availability.

The basic information box on personal data protection will be published in the form.

The WPT sports department will carry out a training session for the ball kids, prior to the start of the matches on the center court, so that they can carry out their duties correctly.

The Chair Umpire will ensure that the ball kids:

- Don't pick up the ball until the point has been played.
- Do not bounce or feed balls while a point is being played. Neither can they feed balls between the first and second serve.
- Gently toss the ball to the player such that it bounces one time then to the proper height for the player to catch the ball easily.
- Don't lose any ball.

If the Chair Umpire detects that a ball kid is not carrying out his duties correctly he/she must warn him/her directly or warn the sports delegate to correct him / her.

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SECTION 5. COURT ASSISTANTS

COORDINATION AND PROTOCOLS

During the games on the central court WPT will count on the court assistants to assist the players in whatever might be deemed necessary and favors the normal development of the games.

Rules for on - court assistants:

- They must know the basic rules of the game, or be amateur players, to be able to work correctly on the players' benches.
- They must be uniformed according to the organization's guidelines.
- Hair must be worn up (loose hair will not be accepted)
- No visible tattoos or piercings will be accepted.
- Following instructions from the sports department they must prepare the towels, water, drinking containers and isotonic drinks, before the players enter the court.
- The on - court assistants will stand in front of the players' benches once these have taken their seats to respond to any of their requests.
- Once the game is over and the players have left, they will collect and dispose of all the items used at the player's bench (towels, water, etc.) to prepare for the next match.
- If a player requests a towel during the course of a match, he must promptly bring it to the court door, wait for him to use it, and once he returns it, quickly return to his place.
- During a match, the Umpire may ask the court assistants to wipe off a stain on the glass walls of the court, but the players must never do it themselves.
- They will not be allowed to ask for autographs or any kind of items or garments from the players (caps, wristbands), neither at the entrance nor at the exit of the matches, nor in the areas limited by accreditation (VIP Area, Players Room, Players Transfers).
- Those assistants who are caught trying to access a restricted area (Player Rest Areas, VIP Area), may have their accreditation withdrawn, and consequently, they may be retired from the Tournament.
- They may not leave the bench area without the prior authorization of their sports managers.

For the purposes, the above mentioned and any other information is to be found in the COURT ASSISTANTS' MANUAL.

SECTION 6. PHYSIOTHERAPY AND PHYSIOTHERAPIST ROOM

RULES OF USE

The Physiotherapy treatment room belongs to the World Paddle Tour (hereinafter WPT), therefore the people who use it will be under the rules established by the WPT Organization.

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Only PLAYERS, authorized WPT personnel and physiotherapists of the organization itself are allowed to access the Physiotherapy Treatment Room.

Access to the Physiotherapy treatment room will be prohibited to players without permission or who are not undergoing off - court treatment (*), psychologists, family members, photographers, journalists, sponsors, friends, etc.

Players (*) who are still participating in the competition when they require treatment.

Only when the players of the same pair are present, may the coach or a member of the player's technical staff be present (not when there are players from another pair).

Players entitled to Physiotherapy assessment and treatment must compete or have competed that same day.

The player will be entitled to Physiotherapy assessment and treatment from one hour before the start of the game until one hour after its conclusion.

The player must take a shower before receiving Physiotherapy treatment.

Physiotherapy treatment should never exceed thirty minutes (30 ') per player.

The use of Physiotherapy is restricted solely and exclusively to WPT PLAYERS who comply with the above stipulated, and any other case outside this framework must be previously authorized by the sports manager.

Players will not be allowed to be treated by a Physiotherapist while they are playing a match outside the times established for it in the corresponding Regulations.

Prioritising:

First: The players who are going to start their match.

Second: Priority will be given to the players who have won the match and are still in competition. Players who have lost may be treated, but only after the needs of players still in the tournament have been met.

Physiotherapist's obligations

The Physiotherapist must warn the sports manager of any sensitive information that may lead to the possibility of a player withdrawing and deciding not to participate in the tournament, always maintaining full discretion regarding the physical state of the players.

On – court Attention

The Physiotherapist will never be allowed to access the court to supply any type of drinks, food, coffees, etc. Any entry in this regard will be counted as Medical Time - Out. They can only dispense some medication.

Players will have bananas and energy bars on the court that will be supplied when they request them from the court assistants.

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SECTION 7. TEMPERATURE AND HUMIDITY RULES (HEAT-RULES)

The following table will determine the temperature and humidity values that imply a level of danger for the players.

The temperature and humidity measurement will be carried out ten minutes before the start of each match. The match must end in the same conditions in which it started, except for a drastic change, which will be evaluated by the organization and the physiotherapist service.

Humidity / temperature index:

	25%	30%	35%	40%	45%	50%	55%	60%	65%	70%	75%	80%	85%	90%	95%	100%
42°	48	50	52	55	57	59	62	64	66	68	71	73	75	77	80	82
41°	46	48	51	53	55	57	59	61	64	66	68	70	72	74	76	79
40°	45	47	49	51	53	55	57	59	61	63	65	67	69	71	73	75
39°	43	45	47	49	51	53	55	57	59	61	63	65	66	68	70	72
38°	42	44	45	47	49	51	53	55	56	58	60	62	64	66	67	69
37°	40	42	44	45	47	49	51	52	54	56	58	59	61	63	65	66
36°	39	40	42	44	45	47	49	50	52	54	56	57	59	60	62	63
35°	37	39	40	42	44	45	47	48	50	51	53	54	56	58	59	61
34°	36	37	39	40	42	43	45	46	48	49	51	52	54	55	57	58
33°	34	36	37	39	40	41	43	44	46	47	48	50	51	53	54	55
32°	33	34	36	37	38	40	41	42	44	45	46	48	49	50	52	53
31°	32	33	34	35	37	38	39	40	42	43	44	45	47	48	49	50
30°	30	32	33	34	35	36	37	39	40	41	42	43	45	46	47	48
29°	29	30	31	32	33	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	45	46
28°	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43
27°	27	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41
26°	26	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	34	35	36	37	38	39
25°	25	25	26	27	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	34	35	36	37

4 levels are determined:

Level 0 (Below 38): Does not imply risk, unwellness or uncomfortable.

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Level 1 (between 39 and 45): Feeling unwell / dizziness. Drinking water, isotonic drinks, etc. is permitted when there is a game change (including sum of even games, 1-0 or changes to the T.B.).

Level 2 (between 46 and 53): It implies greater danger to the health of the player. If a third set will have to be contested, the players will have a 10-minute break, whenever any of the players involved demands it.

Level 3 (above 54): Serious danger to the health of the player. Suspension of the game, and the following, until the level is below level 3.

SECTION 8. GOLD POINT

ALTERNATIVE SCORING METHODS

Score in a game:

Trial method "no advantage" (Gold point).

This alternative scoring method can be used.

A game is scored as follows with the score of the server called first:

no point - "zero".

first point - "15".

second point - "30".

third point - "40".

fourth point - "game".

The "no advantage" (gold point) may be used as an alternative scoring method when the score is deuce. This is a sudden death scenario and is used as a way of speeding up a match result.

The couple that rests will choose whether to rest the service on the right or the left side of the court. The couple that rests cannot change positions to rest the deciding point. The couple that wins the point wins the game. In mixed doubles matches however, the player who rests must be of the same sex as the server. The players who rest cannot change positions to rest a serve.

How to proceed:

In a 40 all / deuce situation, the next point and therefore the game will be defined by the Gold Point method. Upon reaching that deuce, the receiving pair will tell the Chair Umpire which one of them will let. The procedure in times will be as follows:

1.- Upon reaching deuce, the Umpire will call "no advantage, gold point".

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2.- Twenty (20) seconds will elapse between the call and the start of the gold point.

3.- During those 20 seconds the players will proceed as when between points.

4.- In the first 15 seconds the couple that rests will tell the Chair Umpire who receives and this decision will be final.

5.- In that moment the Umpire will call "to the rest, Mr. or Ms..... "

6.- After 20 seconds, the gold point must begin.

7.- The players have the primary responsibility for making the calls when playing without the assistance of a Chair Umpire. In a 40 all / deuce situation, the next point, and therefore the game, will be defined by the Gold Point method. Upon reaching that deuce, the couple that rests will tell the server which one of them will rest. In the event of an error in the procedure, and more points have been played after the gold point, any player may stop the point and claim the game. In case of dispute, the judges of the competition will be called to award the gold point or set a new definitive gold point. In the latter case, the umpires will remain on the court until the end of the game, except due to force majeure.

SECTION 9. CASES AND DECISIONS

1.- If the strap that holds a racket to a player's wrist breaks when the ball is in play, the player loses the point.

2.- When a play takes place outside the court, if a player unintentionally prevents (either by contact or obstruction) his opponent from hitting the ball, a LET will be applied.

3.- If a player, voluntarily, gets in the way of an opponent who tries to play an outside ball, he will lose the point and may receive disciplinary action.

4.- Touches, hitting ball before it crosses net, invasion of opponents' court and double hits. A player shall concede the point when : a ball in play touches that player; that player touches the net or opponents' court while a ball is in play; that player hits a ball is in play before it crosses the net; that player deliberately carries or double hits a ball.

5.- If a player runs out of the court to hit a ball, he must return to it as soon as possible, not delaying beyond the time strictly necessary.

6.- The egg ball in the area of the door frame and the fence on the side of the court will be considered out.

7.- During the match, no player may touch the outside of the court except the fence of the door of his own field.

Section 9 contains resolutions on particular circumstances of the match that may not be explicitly included in the WPT Regulations. It will be updated with new situations that may occur throughout the development of the season.