



**WHEELCHAIR TENNIS  
DEVELOPMENT  
PROGRAMME GRANTS 2025  
ENGLISH VERSION**

## Overview of the Development Grant Programme

The ITF Wheelchair Tennis vision is to enhance lives through the sport of Wheelchair Tennis. We want to have more players playing at all levels of the sport and provide the support for high quality experiences that benefit them as a person and a player. Our Wheelchair Tennis Grant Programme is our key route to supporting players on their development journey and National Associations (NAs) in the growth and delivery of a wheelchair tennis programme that meets their needs and ambitions.

The following document maps out the grants available, the general eligibility criteria as well as specific to each grant, the application and decision-making process, and how we will continue to learn with and support players and NAs.

## What are the different grants a National Association can apply for?

- **Development Grants** - to support the delivery and development of a specific area of a national wheelchair tennis programme. The grant must be aligned to an identified need by the NA. Click [here](#) to access form.
- **National Junior Camps** - to support NAs to develop their player pathway by providing provision for development camps for current junior players and/or introductory camps to bring new junior players into Wheelchair Tennis. Click [here](#) to access form.
- **Player Grant** - to support developing players to access competition opportunities suitable to their development and to increase the spread of nations with players competing at the highest levels of the sport. Click [here](#) to access form.
- **Tournament** – to support NAs to deliver Wheelchair Tennis Tournaments, seeking to reduce travel requirements for players especially those in their development on the UNIQLO Wheelchair Tennis Tour. Click [here](#) to access form.

## Summary of changes from 2024 Wheelchair Tennis Development Grant Programme

- **Increase in grant maximum applications** – Recognising a general increase in costs related to delivering programmes we have increased the maximum amount for each grant application. However, if more NAs apply for maximum grants across all areas, fewer grants will be available. Therefore, we ask NAs to carefully consider the grant amount they are asking for, and ensure it is proportional to the total cost of the activity they wish to deliver.
- **Changes to player grants** – we have sought to simplify our player grants. There is now only one level of player grant available with clear ranking criteria. A separate communication will follow regarding the Grand Slam Player Development Programme which is available to players further on in their development.

- **Proactive reporting** – we have amended the reporting process and will be proactively following up with each NA before and after the delivery of activity their application relates to.
- **Online applications** – applications are now available through online forms, links to these are available at the top of this page and in table 1.
- **Flexibility and second round applications** – recognising the dynamic nature of implementing wheelchair tennis programmes and tournaments, we have made available a second-round application process for development and tournament grants.

## General Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible to apply for any of the grants available through the ITF Wheelchair Tennis Development Grant Programme an NA must:

- Be a member nation of the ITF that is not suspended
- Have an appointed person responsible for Wheelchair Tennis or to co-ordinate projects related to their application
- Have completed all requirements related to previous years' grant applications.

We utilise the ITF Wheelchair Tennis Eligibility Tiers throughout our decision making. Tier 4 nations can only make applications that relate to junior activity or junior players. Tier 1-3 nations can apply across all grants.

Player grants must be applied for by the NA and as such the same general eligibility criteria apply for these grants.

## Application Process and Timelines for 2025 grants

- **10 December 2024** Applications for all grants open
- **10 December to 20 December 2024** and **6 January to 17 January 2025** - Support available from ITF Wheelchair Tennis Team to discuss potential applications
- **19 January 2025** Applications close
- **31 January 2025** Outcomes communicated
- **01 February 2025 – 31 December 2025** Submit receipts and reports to receive funding

## Decision Making process

All applications must be submitted via online forms. If any issues arise, please contact the Wheelchair Tennis Team.

Applications will be reviewed by the Wheelchair Tennis Team who will make recommendations to the Wheelchair Tennis Committee for final approval. Applications will be reviewed against the general and grant specific criteria outlined in table 1.

## Grant Details

Grant	Grant Purpose	Grant Specific Criteria	Learning and Reporting Requirements	ITF Prioritisation*	Maximum Application Amount	Application Form Link
<b>Development Grants</b>	To support the delivery and development of a specific area of a national wheelchair tennis programme. The grant must be aligned to an identified need by the NA.	Activity must have an appointed co-ordinator.	Submit post activity report and receipts within 6 weeks of activity delivered. Dates will be confirmed once grant is approved.	At least one country per region  Activity that aligns to goals of a programme outlined in action plan as part of application.  Tier 1, 2, and 3 prioritised over Tier 4 applications.  Applications proposing novel activity prioritised over repeat applications from previous years.	\$5,000	<a href="#">Form Link</a>
<b>The Cruyff Foundation National Junior Camps</b>	To support NAs to develop their player pathway by providing provision for development camps for current junior players and/or introductory camps to bring new junior players into Wheelchair Tennis.	Activity must have an appointed co-ordinator.  Activity should seek to include a national junior competition.	Submit post-activity report and receipts within 6 weeks of activity delivered. Dates will be confirmed once grant is approved.	At least one country per region  Tier 1, 2, and 3 prioritised over Tier 4 applications  New countries prioritised over those previously in receipt of grant.	€2,000	<a href="#">Form Link</a>

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<b>Player Grant</b>	To support developing players to access competition opportunities suitable to their development and to increase the spread of nations with players competing at the highest levels of the sport.	<p>Tier 4 Nations cannot apply</p> <p>Adult players must have taken part in two ITF competition in the last 12 months.</p> <p>Adult players must be ranked in the following ranges:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Men 200 – 40,</li> <li>• Women 130 – 30,</li> <li>• Quads 80 – 20.</li> </ul> <p>Junior players must have taken part in one ITF competition in the last 12 months</p> <p>Junior players must be ranked outside top 10.</p>	<p>Once approved, for each player an NA must provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A competition schedule and associated budget</li> <li>• Performance ranking goals</li> <li>• A development plan</li> <li>• A letter of good standing</li> </ul> <p>Players will be asked to complete a questionnaire upon approval of grant and at the end of the year.</p>	<p>At least one player per region</p> <p>At least one player per division (men, women, quads, boys, girls)</p> <p>Only one per NA</p> <p>Only tier 1, 2, or 3</p> <p>Not eligible; NAs with players in receipt of GSPD grant.</p>	\$2,000	<a href="#">Form Link</a>
<b>UNIQLO Wheelchair Tennis Tour Grants</b>	To help provide competition opportunities in less developed regions by enabling National Associations to host events on the UNIQLO Wheelchair Tennis Tour.	<p>Applications considered for ITF2, ITF3, Futures and Junior Events.</p> <p>Tier 4 Nations are only eligible for junior events.</p>	All required post-tournament documentation (referee report, draws, media report, Code of Conduct offenses, IPIN fees report) must be	<p>New countries wishing to host an event for the first time</p> <p>Existing UNIQLO Wheelchair Tennis Tour events</p>	\$5,000	<a href="#">Form Link</a>

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		NAs can apply for a maximum of three tour grants.	completed and submitted to the ITF.	Tournaments held in a series of events		

\* where more applications are received for a specific grant pot than we currently have funding to cover the ITF Wheelchair Tennis Team and Committee will be required to make decisions