ITF Seniors Circuit IPIN Fee Changes 2020

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Dear National Association Contact,

The ITF Seniors department is pleased to confirm the following changes to IPIN fees for the 2020 ITF Seniors Circuit that include an easier payment process and lower fee structure for players.

As already announced, starting in 2020, players will no longer pay an annual fee to compete on the ITF Seniors Circuit and will be able to register on the IPIN system at no upfront cost. Instead, players will pay a reduced IPIN fee at each ITF Seniors tournament they play. This change has been introduced to engage more nations in ITF Seniors Tennis, register more players, better attract local players to tournaments, and to make IPIN fairer to players based on the number of tournaments they compete in. Over 75 per cent of ITF Seniors players will benefit financially through the changes outlined below.

Following our previous communication in August 2019, the ITF has further reviewed the fees, payment process and a payment 'cap' for those regularly competing. The confirmed changes are as follows:

- Players will pay a reduced IPIN fee of \$6.00 (USD) or €5.00 (Euro) for each 2020 ITF Seniors tournament they compete in in addition to the tournament entry fee. All players must pay their entry fee and IPIN fee before their first match.
- In addition to US Dollars and Euros (official currencies of the ITF), a tournament may accept the IPIN fee in the local currency. Where this is the case, an equivalent figure will be agreed before the tournament between the ITF and the Tournament Director. For example, 40.00 RMB/CNY for tournaments in China.
- A technology solution to introduce an automated payment option and payment 'cap' will not be possible for 2020. However, it is agreed that while those players who compete more should be expected to pay more, a payment cap must be in place in 2020 to recognise those players who are highly committed to the circuit. As a result, players will not be required to make an IPIN payment for more than 8 tournaments within a calendar year. For example, a player who competes in 15 tournaments will be charged the IPIN fee (\$6 or €5) for their first 8 tournaments only, a maximum of \$48.00 (USD) or €40.00 (Euro) per year.
- The ITF will provide Tournament Directors with a list of all entered players who have already played 8 Seniors tournaments and should not be charged an IPIN payment. If the player has already paid online, a refund of the IPIN fee will be made.
- Players who compete in 2019 ITF Seniors tournaments are still required to have paid the \$25.00 annual IPIN fee for 2019. The new payment model only applies from 1 January 2020.

The ITF strongly believes that the ITF Seniors circuit has potential to grow substantially and that the changes outlined above - along with the wider changes to the circuit in 2020 and 2021 - will enable the ITF to engage more nations, tournaments and players.

If you wish to contact the ITF Seniors Department, please email Seniors@ITFTennis.com

Your Sincerely, ITF Seniors Department