

Guidelines for the 2009 NCTTA Championships Paralympic Event

Overview: A singles event at the NCTTA Championships for college table tennis players with disabilities.

Entries: Registration through online or printed entry form available through NCTTA website. Participation in NCTTA or ACUI tournaments during the 2008-2009 season is encouraged, but not required for participation in the Championships. *Maximum 16 participants accepted on a first come first served basis.*

Format: Preliminary round-robin groups, followed by crossovers or single elimination brackets to determine the overall winner. The full set of 11 disability classes for International Paralympic competition will *not* be used.

Depending on the entries received, there could be as many as four events: (1) men's wheelchair, (2) men's standing, (3) women's wheelchair and (4) women's standing. If an event has fewer than four participants IPTTC rules for event combining will be used: first wheelchair will be combined with standing and if necessary, men will be combined with women. Adding a doubles event is an option of the Tournament Director if time and space permits.

Rules: International Table Tennis Federation Rules will be used. If not enough entries are received to merit separating wheelchair and standing disabled players, they will play together in the same event.

Eligibility: Participants must either:

- (a) provide proof of minimum disability (such as a Table Tennis International Classification Card from a certified classifier)
- or*
- (b) accept the judgment of minimum disability made by suitably qualified officials at the championships

Academic Eligibility: Same academic enrollment and eligibility rules as for NCTTA League competition. Appropriate paperwork proving this must be submitted to NCTTA prior to the championships.