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**INFORMATION
TECHNOLOGY (IT)/
RANKING & STATISTICS**

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INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

What would I want to know from the Information Technology (IT) department?

The IT department provides:

- WTA Tour rankings
- Tournament Reports: Prize Money, ranking summary, ranking history, Player results (Singles & Doubles)
- Statistics (head-to-heads, win/loss, surface, etc)



Where can I find an IT representative?

You can find an IT representative in the Florida office 727-895-5000 or email questions to Liz Schroeder, lschroeder@wtatour.com or Romando Williams, rwilliams@wtatour.com

How are the rankings computed?

The ranking system reflects both a player's performance in tournament play (Round Points) as well as her record against other players (Quality Points). The ranking system:

- Is based on a 52-week, cumulative system
- Is capped at 17 tournaments for singles, 11 for doubles- whichever tournaments have yielded the highest points will be counted
- Is updated every week of the year (with the exception of the Monday in the middle of a two-week event, i.e., a Grand Slam, Miami)
- Includes the ITF Women's Circuit results (\$50,000 & 75,000 tournaments are processed immediately, \$25,000's and lower are processed a week later)
- Assigns a ranking if a player has received points in three (3) tournaments within a 52-week period.
- Awards Quality points for a player defeating a player in the top 500; these points are determined according to the losing player's ranking at the time the tournament is played.

Does every tournament count towards my record?

Only when you earn points at an event does a tournament count towards your A) ranking and B) your allotment of tournaments under the Age Eligibility Rule. Points are earned at the following events:

- Grand Slams (not mixed doubles)- all rounds
- WTA Tour Tier I-V events- all rounds (refer to current rules on points in qualifying rounds of doubles)
- ITF Women's Circuit tournaments-
 - ⇒ **\$25,000- \$75,000's**, anyone in round of 32 of qualifying or better
 - ⇒ **\$10,000**- 2nd round of Main Draw and the Qualifiers
 - ⇒ **\$5,000**- Masters level events

What can I find out about my prize money from the IT department? The IT department can provide

information on prize money breakdowns and totals. At the end of each WTA Tour season, each member of the Players' Benefit Association is sent a:

- Year-end "Prize Money total & breakdown"
- Year-end "Tournament-point total"



The prize money breakdowns (how the money is divided amongst the players) are prepared prior to the beginning of each Tour year and are the same for each tournament within Tier levels and draw sizes. The prize money breakdowns are developed by Tour staff in consultation with the tournaments and the Players' Benefit Association. The Grand Slam tournaments develop their own prize money breakdowns.

NOTE* - *The tournament is responsible for withholding taxes as it distributes Prize Money directly to the players.* Keep a file at home with your financial information as *the Tour is not responsible and does NOT have paperwork regarding players' tax withholdings and amount due.*

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Information Technology (IT)/ Rankings & Statistics

1. Q: How are the rankings computed?
A: The Ranking System reflects both a player's performance in tournament play (Round Points) as well as her record against other players (Quality Points). The ranking system is a 52-week, cumulative system that is capped at 17 tournaments for singles, 11 for doubles. Therefore, whichever tournaments have yielded the highest points will be counted, but no more than 17 tournaments for singles, 11 for doubles.
2. Q: How do I earn a Ranking?
A: When you receive Ranking Points in three (3) tournaments in a fifty-two week period you will attain a Ranking.
3. Q: Do all tournaments count towards my ranking and the number of tournaments I am allowed under the Age Eligibility Rule?
A: No, tournaments only count towards your ranking and Age Eligibility allotment when you earn points.
4. Q: How are Quality Points calculated?
A: A player receives points for defeating a player ranked in the top 500. These points are determined according to the losing player's ranking at the time the Tournament is played.
5. Q: In a \$10,000 Event, do I receive points if I lose in the round of 32?
A: No, not unless you were a Qualifier. There are no points given to the round of 32.
6. Q: If I receive a bye in the first round of singles or doubles, then lose in the next round will I receive points?
A: No, a bye does not represent a match and therefore the next round was your first round match.