



WHEELCHAIR TENNIS

Wheelchair tennis is an adaptation of able-bodied tennis. This sport has grown considerably and is now fully integrated into all four most important tennis events in the world: Australian Open, Roland Garros, Wimbledon and US Open.

TYPE OF IMPAIRMENT

Physical, except short stature.

SPORT CLASSES

2 CLASS DIVISIONS

Open

- Lower limb impairment that alters the biomechanical execution of the running action

Quad

- Upper and lower limb impairment
- Athletes may use electric-powered wheelchairs and are sometimes allowed to push the chair with the foot (depending on level of the impairment).

COURT SIZE

8.23m wide for singles
10.97m wide for doubles

23.77m long



RULES



The sport follows the same rules as able-bodied tennis, except:

- Athlete must keep one buttock in contact with the wheelchair at all times.
- The ball is allowed to bounce twice before it must be returned by a player. The second bounce can be either in or out of the court boundaries.