



2009 US Open Wheelchair Tennis Competition Wild Card Request Form

Players wishing to apply for a Wild Card into the 2009 US Open Wheelchair Tennis Competition must submit both the Entry Form (due by 5 pm EDT, Thursday, July 30) and this Wild Card Request Form (due by 5 pm EDT, Thursday, August 13). Only those players submitting both applications will receive consideration for a Wild Card.

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Country _____

Phone Number _____ Fax Number _____

Cell Number _____ E-mail _____

I would like to apply for a Wild Card into:

Main Draw

Men's Singles

Women's Singles

Quad Singles

Ranking information (please provide both Singles and Doubles rankings):

ITF Wheelchair (Singles) _____ Date of ranking _____

ITF Wheelchair (Doubles) _____ Date of ranking _____

Reason for request _____

Send completed form to:

David E. Schobel

USTA Wheelchair Department, 70 West Red Oak Lane, White Plains, NY 10604

or fax to (914) 696-7029

Deadline: Thursday, August 13, 2009



VIA MEMORANDUM

FROM: David E. Schobel

RE: 2009 Wild Card Selection Criteria/US Open Wheelchair Tennis Competition

Definition of Wild Cards:

According to the 2009 ITF Wheelchair Tennis Handbook, Wild Cards are given to players to be included in the draw at the "sole discretion of the Tournament Director or Tournament Committee." The number of Wild Cards will be allocated according to the size of the draw. For the US Open Wheelchair Tennis Competition, one (1) Wild Card will be available in each of the following competitions: Women's Singles, Men's Singles and Quad Singles. Wild Cards are awarded to players whose ranking would not otherwise allow them entry into the draw.

2009 Selection Guidelines:

The primary, but not exclusive, reasons for awarding Wild Cards into the US Open Wheelchair Tennis Competition are:

- To provide opportunities for developing American players
- To recognize veteran American players who have contributed significantly to the game
- To assist American players whose careers have been interrupted by injury or other personal reasons
- To enhance the strength and appeal of the event