



Open de France 2018

Men and Ladies

Singles and Doubles

Sunday 23rd – Sunday 30th September 2018

The guaranteed minimum prize funds are:
20.000€

The guaranteed minimum prize funds are as follows:

Ladies Singles and Doubles €1,000

The balance of €19,000 will be distributed as follows:

70% less €500 which is set aside as a marking cost to the singles guaranteeing the singles prize fund net of all expenses such as marking of €12,950 and €5,550 to the doubles.

The Open singles is restricted to the top 14 players entering. There will be 6 seeds and this will be determined by the IRTPA world rankings down to and including the player ranked 20th. Thereafter if required seeding will be based on the player's RTO handicap.

The closing date for entries is Monday September 3rd 2018 at Noon Paris time.

Entry forms should be returned to Susie Falkner (ceo@irtpa.com) and Tim Batten (batten.tim@gmail.com).

The draw will take place in Paris on the evening of Tuesday 4th of September.

By returning this entry form I agree to the Rules of Entry

Name

Doubles Partner Name (if applicable).....

Contact Email Address

Contact Telephone Number

I need accommodation if possible Y/N

Rules of Entry

All professionals will be expected to mark a match for each competition they enter. Failure to do so will result in a **€100** or **€200** (if both events entered) deduction in prize money.

All professionals are invited to, and will be expected to attend all social events, including the welcome cocktail on the evening of Sunday 23rd of September. Players are expected to wear white tennis clothing on court and be smartly dressed whilst in the club.

Entry fee for amateurs is **€65** for the singles and **€30** for the doubles.

French Open Singles

The French Open Singles will be restricted to the top 14 players. There will be 6 seeds and this will be down to and including the player ranked 20th in the IRTPA world rankings. Thereafter if required seeding will be based on the player's RTO handicap. The above will be taken on the closing date of entry.

All matches in the French Open Singles will be played over the best of 5 sets.

French Open Qualifiers

French Open Qualifiers will take place on the (14th), 15th and 16th of September for those not directly qualified in the main draw. The cut is set to Handicap 10. The 2 top players will qualify for the main draw. The Final of the qualifiers will be played and all matches will be played over the best of 3 sets.

French Open Men Doubles

The 8 best-ranked pairs will qualify by right for the French Open Doubles. Seeding and qualification will be determined by doubles handicaps on the RTO list on the closing date of entry. All matches in the French Open Doubles will be played over the best of 5 sets.

French Open Ladies Singles

The French Open Singles is restricted to 8 players. The top 8 players will qualify by right. Seeding and qualification will be determined by singles handicaps on the RTO list, all taken on the closing date of entry.

All matches in the French Open Singles will be played over the best of 3 sets

French Open Ladies Doubles

The French Open Singles is restricted to 4 pairs. The top 4 pairs will qualify by right. Seeding and qualification will be determined by singles handicaps on the RTO list, all taken on the closing date of entry.

All matches in the French Open Doubles will be played over the best of 3 sets

Accommodation

There are a very limited number of spaces for players who wish to be billeted during the tournament. (the committee will do its best but cannot guaranty accommodation).

Airbnb is very popular in Paris and is a cheaper alternative to some hotels. Please feel free to ask for information and advice from any member of the tournament committee listed at the bottom of the schedule for low cost hotels and alternatives in Paris. We will do our best of course.

Schedule of Play

For information purposes only, the preliminary schedule of play is expected to be as follows, though the Tournament Committee reserves the right to alter the schedule for any reason:

Sunday September 23rd	French Open Men Singles First Round - 4 matches
Monday September 24 th	French Open Men Singles First Round - 4 matches
Tuesday September 25 th	French Open Men Singles Quarter-Finals - 4 matches
Wednesday September 26 th	French Open Men Doubles Quarter-Finals - 4 matches
Thursday September 27 th	French Open Men Singles Semi-Finals - 2 matches French Open Ladies Singles Quarter-finals - 4 matches French Open Ladies Doubles Semi-Finals - 4 matches
Friday September 28 th	French Open Men Doubles Semi-Finals - 2 matches French Open Ladies Singles Semi-Finals - 2 matches
Saturday September 29 th .	French Open Men Singles Final French Open Ladies singles Final
Sunday September 30th	French Open Men Doubles Final French Open Ladies Doubles Final

Tournament Committee

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