

# INTERNATIONAL TABLE TENNIS FEDERATION

## PARA TABLE TENNIS COMMITTEE



### APPENDIX TO 2019 SITE INSPECTION REPORT

**Name of Tournament:** Dutch Open Para 2020

**Ranking Factor requested:** 20

**Name of the National Association:** The Netherlands Table Tennis Association (NTTB)

**Chairperson of the Organizing Committee:** Robbert Stolwijk

**Dates of Play:** 5-8 November 2020

**Name of Inspector:** Pablo Perez

**Report submitted to ITTF (date):** 13/03/2020

<p><b>Transport</b></p>	<p><b>Airport – Hotel</b></p> <p>Travel time from AMS airport to any of the 2 available hotel takes between 2h30m and 3h Schedules: Participants will have to wait a maximum of 2 hours</p> <p>Number of vehicles: There will be additional minibuses to assist in case of flight delays or any other emergency</p> <p><b>Hotel – Venue</b></p> <p>Accommodation in Pagedal doesn't need any transportation. Most distant apartment is 400m away from the entrance of the venue</p> <p>Hotel Van der Valk is 30 km away from the venue, it is a 25 minutes ride. Accessible buses will be provided for athletes staying there. There should be at least 3 in the morning to go to the venue and 3 in the evening to comeback.</p>
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<p><b>Accommodation</b></p>	<p><b>1) Name:</b> Pagedal <a href="https://www.pagedal.nl">https://www.pagedal.nl</a></p> <p>Hoveniersweg 1 9502 BW STADSKANAAL The Netherlands</p> <p>Elevators: <input type="text" value="0"/></p> <p>No elevators, all rooms are at ground level.</p> <p><b>Accessibility for room type "Appartment 708" (1 triple room available)</b></p> <table> <tr> <td>Width of entrance passage:</td> <td>80 cm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Width of bathrooms:</td> <td>81 cm, totally accesible</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Step or doors to shower:</td> <td>No</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bath or shower or combined:</td> <td>Shower</td> </tr> </table> <p><b>Accessibility for room type "Appartment 840" (25 double rooms available)</b></p> <table> <tr> <td>Width of entrance passage:</td> <td>72cm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Width of bathrooms:</td> <td>71cm, wide bathroom, WC usable</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Step or doors to shower:</td> <td>No</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bath or shower or combined:</td> <td>Shower</td> </tr> </table> <p><b>Accessibility for room type "Bungalow 628" (25 triple rooms available)</b></p> <p>Not accessible, there are 2 floors with 3 bedrooms upstairs, these rooms can be used for officials without physical impairments</p>	Width of entrance passage:	80 cm	Width of bathrooms:	81 cm, totally accesible	Step or doors to shower:	No	Bath or shower or combined:	Shower	Width of entrance passage:	72cm	Width of bathrooms:	71cm, wide bathroom, WC usable	Step or doors to shower:	No	Bath or shower or combined:	Shower
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**Accessibility for room type "Bungalow 510" (18 double rooms available)**

2 bedrooms, 1 with double bed, 1 with bunkbeds  
1 living room  
Bathroom is not accessible, toilet to wall is 56cm  
There is an emergency possibility by using a toilet in the next-door apartment

Change of linen: On request  
Laundry: No

TV: Yes  
Air-conditioning: No  
Internet Facilities: Yes  
Electrical plugs: European  
Parking: Yes  
Shops: No  
Banking or teller machine: No

**Apartment 840 bathroom (WC accesible)**



**Bungalow 510 bathroom (not WC accessible)**



**Bungalow 510 bedroom**



**2) Name:** Hotel Van der Valk

Burgemeester Omtaweg 2-4, 9636 EM Zuidbroek, Netherlands

30 km away from the venue, 25 minutes ride.

Elevators:

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No elevators, all rooms are at ground level.

Number of rooms: 63

Accessibility of 3 full accessible rooms

Width of entrance passage: 80 cm

Width of bathrooms: 90 cm

Step or doors to shower: None

Bath or shower or combined: Shower



Accessibility of 60 standard rooms

Width of entrance passage: 80 cm

Width of bathrooms: 80 cm

Step or doors to shower: small step (2 cm)

Bath or shower or combined: Both shower and bathtub



Change of linen: On request

Laundry: None

TV: Yes

Air-conditioning: Yes

Internet Facilities: Yes

Electrical plugs: European

Parking: Yes

Shops: Aldi supermarket at 100m

Banking or teller machine: No





### Recommendations

- Transportation schedule from the airport to hotel must be planned carefully. It is understandable that LOC wants to group participants in big buses to reduce transportation costs, but participants will not wait more than 2 hours between exiting time from the terminal and the beginning of the trip.
- Small buses or vans must be available in case of flight delays or other emergencies.
- Meals times must be extended so athletes have enough time to eat. 2 hours for breakfast is good but lunch and dinner must be available for 3 hours.
- Meal at lunch time must be warm and with several options to choose from.
- The dining area could be reduced in size and many chairs should be removed to help the movements of wheelchair users.
- The venue has only one accessible toilet near to the FOP. Additional toilets must be installed.
- Temperature of the rooms must be comfortable. The weather in Netherlands in November can be cold.
- Considering the addition of the new hotel, the event provides enough accessible accommodation for nearly 100 wheelchair users. However, it is very important that the allocation of the rooms is managed very carefully to ensure that

	<p>athletes with more mobility problems are hosted in the correct rooms. For example, bunk beds are forbidden for people with disabilities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- The apartments and bungalows in Pagedal that are assigned to wheelchair users would need to have some furniture removed (chairs and armchairs) in order to give more space for them to move. LOC staff should be ready to attend the preferences of each athlete during check-in</li><li>- Bed linen should be ready before check-in</li><li>- It is normal that participants do not find some services at the venue in tournaments that are new. It is essential that LOC provides good and clear written indications of all resources available and enough staff or volunteers offering help.</li><li>- FOP should allocate a maximum of 12 tables and that leaves a bigger space for spectators. It is possible to extend the competition to 4 days so more players can be accepted.</li><li>- Lightning in the practice area must be improved.</li></ul> <p><b>Conclusion:</b> After the 2019 edition, Netherlands table tennis association has made a great work of reflection about the improvement areas. They have counted with the advice of a local class 2 player and they have worked closely with the ITTF and the management of Pagedal resort in order to identify all the needed changes that were pointed out by athletes and coaches. Pagedal management is very interested that the tournament can be established in Stadskanaal in the long term and they have already made some improvements since November 2019.</p> <p>After the second inspection done in March, my recommendation is to sanction the event as Factor 20.</p>
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