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Dear Coach/Tournament Director:

The ITA sanctioned events are a major part of our intercollegiate program. If you are planning to host a college tennis tournament during the **2011-2012** season, we strongly encourage you to have your tournament(s) sanctioned by the ITA. **Only results from ITA sanctioned events, dual meet matches, conference championships, and NCAA Regional and National championships are used in computing our Campbell/ITA Collegiate Tennis Rankings. ALL ITA National and Regional Championships and ALL Conference Championships** receive an automatic ITA sanction and are **NOT** required to pay the tournament sanction fee.

BENEFITS OF THE ITA TOURNAMENT SANCTION:
CAMPBELL/ITA COLLEGIATE RANKINGS

All ITA sanctioned tournament results will be used in our **Campbell/ITA Collegiate Tennis Rankings**. The ITA Collegiate Tennis Rankings are released regularly throughout the year, and are used for all ITA national tournament seeding and selection, as well as guidelines for the NCAA Championships. We will provide a tournament code to facilitate entering results on the NCAA/ITA Results Entry page from our website, www.ITATennis.com.

ITA RULES

ITA sanctioned events are required to adhere to all ITA rules, published annually in the *USTA Friend at Court*, and excerpted in the *ITA Scorebook*, with updates posted online at www.ITATennis.com. All participants in your event will also be bound by ITA rules. You will receive an electronic copy of the 2011 edition of the Friend at Court.

WILSON TENNIS BALLS/DRAW SHEETS/DRAW PAD

ITA sanctioned events receive our special discounted tournament rates when ordering **Wilson** balls, the official tennis ball of the ITA. [Unless an event receives financial sponsorship from another tennis ball company, all ITA sanctioned events *must use Wilson balls*.] We **strongly encourage** you to purchase additional **Wilson** balls for your sanctioned event. To place an order, please call **Wilson Sporting Goods** at 1-800-272-6060. Wilson will also provide all sanctioned events, upon request to the ITA, with complimentary draw sheets and a draw pad. Also available upon request are electronic draws. Please contact the ITA office at 609-497-6920 or send an email to Rachel Kushma at ITA rkushma@itatennis.com with your request.

ITA WEBSITE LISTING & RESULTS LISTING

All ITA sanctioned events are listed on our ITA website. If possible, submit your event results electronically so that we can provide a link to your school's website for viewing.

SAVE MONEY ON AIR TRANSPORTATION

All ITA sanctioned events are eligible to receive our special discounted rates for air travel through **Anthony Travel, Inc.**, the official travel management group of the ITA. Please call 1-877-284-2254 for assistance or visit the website at www.anthonyttravel.com.

SAVE MONEY ON CLOTHING AND SHOES

All ITA sanctioned tournaments are eligible to receive our special discounted rates on shoes and clothing through **Tennis Warehouse**, the official shoe and clothing supplier of the ITA. For further information please call 1-800-833-6647 or visit the website at www.tennis-warehouse.com.

We are currently in the process of formulating our **2011-2012 Sanctioned Tournament Calendar**. If you would like to receive an ITA sanction for your 2011-2012 event, we would greatly appreciate your immediate response. Please call Rachel Kushma at our office (609-497-6920) if you have any questions concerning the sanctioning process - or if you would like additional information about the ITA.

Payment by credit card is now accepted with our online registration. Please visit the website at www.ITATennis.com to enroll your event.

**The fee structure for Division I singles & doubles tournaments has two categories:
32-players or less has a sanction fee of \$125.00,
33-players or more, a sanction fee of \$225.00.**

Team events will be assessed a sanction fee of \$225.00.

In order to receive an official ITA sanction for your event(s), fill out the required information on the online entry form and submit payment by credit card, e-check, or purchase order.

A separate registration must be completed for each event. ITA sanctions must be renewed on an annual basis. The ITA must receive all tournament sanction fees **at least three weeks before the start of your event** to ensure receipt of a sanction certificate, a copy of the 2011 Friend at Court and other tournament materials.

Thank you for your support of the ITA and college tennis. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Yours truly,

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