

PLAYERS
SECTION VI - WTA FINALS AND WTA ELITE TROPHY

Player"). Finals Alternates are eligible, but not required, to attend and compete at the WTA Elite Trophy. Finals Alternates must confirm their participation in the WTA Elite Trophy by the later of 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time (New York, USA Time) on the Tuesday of the week prior to the WTA Elite Trophy ("Prior Tuesday") or the day on which she is confirmed a Finals Alternate. If the player is confirmed a Finals Alternate on the day of the singles final of a Tournament the week prior to the WTA Elite Trophy, she must confirm her participation in the WTA Elite Trophy within one (1) hour of the singles final match of the previous week's Tournament. A Finals Alternate who confirms her participation and does not withdraw before 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time (New York, USA Time) on the Prior Tuesday automatically becomes an Elite Trophy Singles Qualified Player upon completion of the WTA Elite Trophy draw. If a singles Finals Alternate who has confirmed her participation in the WTA Elite Trophy becomes a singles Finals Qualified Player before she plays a match at the WTA Elite Trophy, she will be withdrawn automatically from the singles competition at the WTA Elite Trophy without penalty. If any Elite Trophy Singles Qualified Player withdraws before 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time (New York, USA Time) on the Prior Tuesday, the next-highest-ranked player on the Porsche Race to Shenzhen Leaderboard who is not already a Finals or Elite Trophy Singles Qualified Player becomes an Elite Trophy Singles Qualified Player.

ii. Doubles

The top six (6) teams, using the players' combined WTA Doubles Rankings as of the Monday of the final regular-season Tournament of the current Tour Year, composed of players who did not qualify for the WTA Finals singles (except Finals Alternates) or doubles (except Finals Alternate Teams) competitions that enter the WTA Elite Trophy doubles competition by 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time (New York, USA Time) on the Prior Tuesday qualify for the WTA Elite Trophy (each an "Elite Trophy Qualified Team" and each player an "Elite Trophy Doubles Qualified Player").

A player may not use her Special Ranking to enter the doubles competition.

b. Qualification Tie-Break

i. Singles

If two (2) or more players are tied for qualification, the following player is the Elite Trophy Singles Qualified Player: