

Players Committee Message to The APTA Board

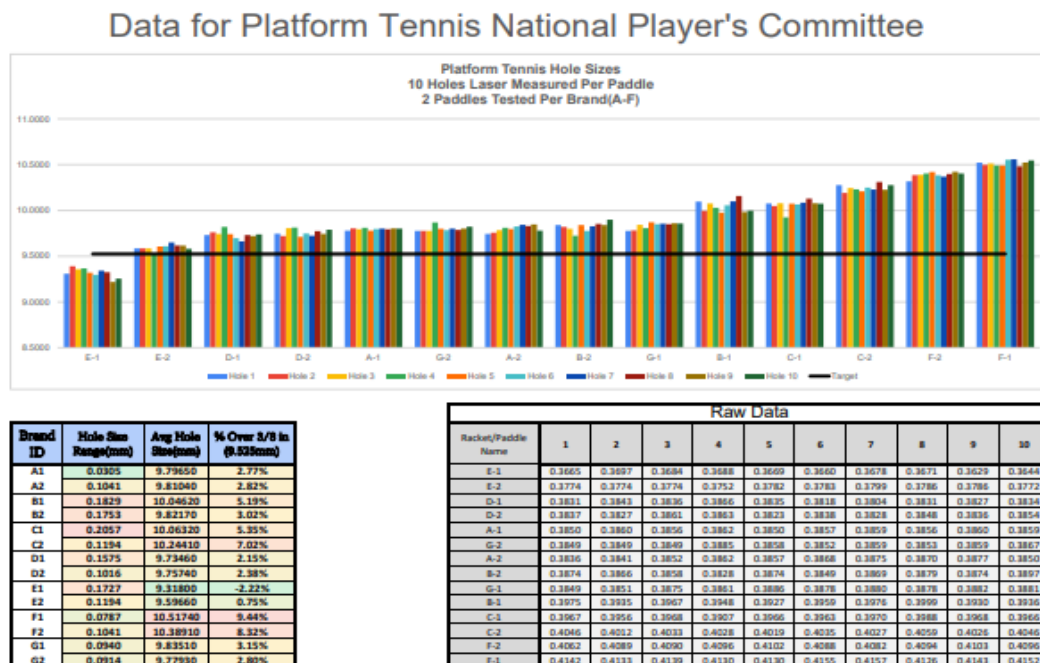
After an arduous process of consulting with industry experts, meeting with APTA Board Members, and requesting and then analyzing a third-party data collection on the hole sizes of 14 paddles, the National Players Committee has recommended that NO paddle bans or regulations should be enacted in the immediate future.

The data we received measured to the micron, and while it was a small sample of the current market, it was definitive enough to show that not only the APTA's paddle approval process, but also the paddle manufacturing process, need an overhaul. We want to give the opportunity for the APTA Rules Committee to work with Platform Tennis Industry Leaders on how to legislate and regulate these essential rules of the game we all love.

We would like to recommend that the data be released to the manufacturers as well as the general population. We think it is important that we all come together with full visibility so we can move forward and focus on why we all started playing platform tennis. The expectation of the Players Committee, for the integrity of the game, is that the manufacturers with the largest margins over the legal hole size will work diligently to get appropriate paddles for their top players that fall in line with the rest of the industry.

Sincerely,

Platform Tennis National Players Committee



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