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## **United States Table Soccer Federation Announces Umbro as Uniform Sponsor**

Washington, DC – The United States Table Soccer Federation (USTSF) is pleased to announce today, a sponsorship agreement with Umbro Ltd., whereby the Umbro brand will be providing uniforms for the 2012 United States National Table Soccer Team. The team, consisting of 22 players and three coaches, will be representing the USA at the International Table Soccer Federation (ITSF) 2012 combined World Cup and World Championships of Table Soccer, January 5-8<sup>th</sup> in Nantes, France.

The USTSF is proud to have Umbro as a partner for the US National team at this event, the largest in the sport of table soccer (a.k.a. "foosball"). The ITSF World Cup will attract approximately 500 competitors from over 40 countries, all competing to bring a gold medal home for their country. It will be televised live in Europe each evening of the competition – with additional coverage for rebroadcast later in the year – to over 55 different countries, and in 14 different languages.

This year's U.S. Men's Team, whose players have captured a total of over 20 World and over 100 Major tour titles, remains the favorite to add one more to their back-to-back 2009, 2010 and 2011 World Cup victories. Yet Team USA won't have it that easy: world #1-ranked Germany and USA's arch-rival France are among numerous others determined to upset the reigning champions. In addition to the Men's category, the USA will also field strong teams in Women's, Senior's and Junior's World Cup events.

Meanwhile, in the World Championships portion of the tournament, top name competition will include defending ITSF World Singles Champion Frederico Collignon of Belgium and USA #1-ranked Tony Spredeman. The women's side of the competition will also be intense, with #1-ranked Tessa Otten-Kerkhof of the Netherlands seeking to win her first World Singles title against an exceptional field of tour veterans and new challengers, including U.S. National Champion Traci Brubaker.

Umbro, Ltd., a subsidiary of NIKE, Inc., is the original football brand that invented sportswear. Founded 85 years ago, today the company combines its heritage in sports tailoring with modern insight to create groundbreaking and iconic apparel, footwear and equipment that blend performance and style. For further information about Umbro, visit [www.umbro.com](http://www.umbro.com).

For additional details about Umbro, this event and the sport of table soccer, please see the following websites:  
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[www.usatablesoccer.org](http://www.usatablesoccer.org) - USTSF official web site/Pro Tour & U.S. National Team sponsorship opportunities  
[www.table-soccer.org](http://www.table-soccer.org) - ITSF Website: World Rankings/Tour News/ITSF World Cup/World Championships info  
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