

Will Bayley is new World No 1

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New World Number One, Will Bayley

Will Bayley has become the new World Number 1 in the men's class 7 on the latest January world ranking lists.

Bayley now leads Ukraine's Mykhaylo Popov by 25 points as he starts 2012 with a bang and now, becomes the favourite for gold at the 2012 Paralympic Games.

The tributes have poured in over the [social media site Twitter](#) – which Will is a keen user of:

Sandy Drummond: "well done Will you must be on top of the world – literally!! [#bestintheworld](#)"

Kevin Satchell: "Bayley. We are now in the company of legends.'Your time has come to shine all your dreams are on their way'"

Hannah Cockroft: "I hear congratulations are in order for the new WORLD #1@[WillBayleytt](#) [#WelcomeToTheClub](#) [#AllForLondon](#)"

ParalympicsGB: "Congratulations from all at [@ParalympicsGB](#) go to table tennis star@[WillBayleytt](#) on becoming the new world #1! Keep up the good work!"

C4 Paralympics: "World Number One. Sounds good, doesn't it? Congratulations, Will."

Helen Wolstenholme: "Big congratulations Will from all of us here- World number 1 fantastic news, all down to your dedication and determination! :)"

The ITTF Para table tennis world ranking list for men's class seven also shows Bayley's team-mates in contention to battle hard come the big event in the summer. Paul Karabardak is ranked 10th, Joe Stotesbury 19th and Farrel Anthony 28th.

To view the full list [click here](#).

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