

2020 EUROPEAN JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

# SPECIFIC RULES & REGULATIONS 14/16/18 & Under

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# **SECTION I.**

## THE COMPETITION

## 1. TITLE

The Competition, a European junior singles, consolation and doubles competition, shall be called the EUROPEAN JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS.

The Competition involving players of the age category 18 & under is valid for the ITF Junior World Ranking (Group B).

### 2. OWNERSHIP

The Competition shall be owned by and under the direction and control of Tennis Europe.

Ownership shall include, but not be limited to, the following national and international rights: registered trademarks of the Federation; commercial exploitation of the event; television and radio, film and video recordings. The Board of Management may assign rights to the Host Nation in accordance with detailed guidelines issued by Tennis Europe consistent with these regulations.

### 3. NATIONS ELIGIBLE

The Competition shall be open to the members of Tennis Europe.

The Tennis Europe Board of Management can accept other countries under special circumstances.

Only players nominated by their National Association may compete. If a player is qualified to represent more than one country and the National Association of one of those countries wishes to nominate him/her to represent it, that Association must submit an application to Tennis Europe, with a copy to any other National Association concerned.

#### 4. PLAYERS ELIGIBLE

The players are only allowed to play within their category of age (18/17, 16/15, 14/13).

Players of the category 12 & under are authorized to compete in the category 14 & under only, respecting the ITF Age Eligibility Rules.

However, a player having won a title of the European Championships the previous year can, on request of her/his National Association, be authorized by the Tennis Europe Junior Committee to compete in the upper category.

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#### ONLY FOR THE 18 & UNDER EUROPEAN JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

Having reached the final of an ITF Junior Grand Slam can, on request of her/his National Association, be authorized by the Tennis Europe Junior Committee to compete, regardless of their age.

**Additional:** The European players in the top 5 ITF 18 & under ranking that are based on the ranking 4 weeks before the event will automatically qualify for the European Junior Championships regardless of their age. This is subject to the approval of the National Association concerned. The National Association of the player that have players automatically qualified, based on the additional regulation, will still have 2 boys and 2 girls to nominate. The maximum number of players permitted is: For the non-host Nation, a maximum of 4 boys and 4 girls. For the host nation, a maximum of 6 boys and 6 girls.

## 5. FORMAT

The competition is organised for a seven-day period.

Each National Association has the right to nominate a maximum of two boys and two girls in each category of age.

### 6. RULES TO BE OBSERVED

The Competition shall take place in accordance with these Regulations, the Tennis Europe Junior Tour Regulations, the Rules of the ITF, the Rules of Tennis adopted by the ITF, and the approved Code of Conduct.

In submitting an entry, a Nation automatically undertakes to abide by and fulfill all their obligations under the above Rules and Regulations.

Any nation failing to honor this undertaking shall be subject to penalties given in Section VII of these Regulations.

## **SECTION II.**

#### MANAGEMENT

## 7. MANAGEMENT

The Competition shall be managed by the Board of Management of Tennis Europe in cooperation with the National Associations of the country where the competition is played (Host Nation).

#### **Board of Management - Duties**

The duties of the Board of Management shall be:

- (i) To decide the entry fee and allocation of any prizes.
- (ii) To administer the funds of the Competition within the financial framework of Tennis Europe.

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- (iii) To decide any appeals or dispute arising among Nations participating in the Competition.
- (iv) To impose penalties laid down in these Regulations.
- (v) To have full authority to decide disputes arising in connection with all financial matters.

#### **Tennis Europe Junior Committee - Duties**

The duties of the Tennis Europe Junior Committee shall be:

- (i) To select the venues and decide the dates for the Competition. The Competition shall be split and played at three different venues: one venue for the 14 & under category, a second venue for the 16 & under category and a third venue for the 18 & under category.
- (ii) To be responsible for overseeing the management and presentation of the Competition.
- (iii) To approve the appointment by the Host Nation of a Tournament Director for the Competition.
- (iv) To appoint the Referee and approve the appointment of any assistant referees for the Competition by the host nation.
- (v) To recommend to the Committee of Management the venue and dates for each competition, the entry fee and allocation of any prizes.
- (vi) To report to the Committee of Management on all financial matters relating to the event.
- (vii) To recommend to the Committee of Management any penalties to be imposed in accordance with these Regulations.
- (viii) To undertake other duties as laid down in these Regulations.

#### **Tournament Committee - Duties**

For both competitions a Tournament Committee shall be formed, to include the following:

- 1. Chairperson
- 2. Representative of the Organising Club
- 3. Tournament Director from the Host Nation
- 4. Referees

#### HONORARY COMMITTEE

The Honorary Committee shall include the President of Tennis Europe, the Chairman of the Tennis Europe Junior Committee, the President of the Organising National Association, the President of the Club, some personalities of the organising Country, Area, City.

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# **SECTION III.**

## **ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE COMPETITION**

## 8. APPLICATIONS TO STAGE THE COMPETITION

Any National Association wishing to stage the Competition shall submit their preliminary application in writing to Tennis Europe.

## 9. VENUES AND DATE

The Junior Committee shall select and announce the venue and date for the Competitions of the following year at the Junior Annual General Meeting. The three categories will be played at different venues the same week.

## **10.** FINANCIAL GUIDELINES FOR ON-SITE ORGANISATION

The financial guidelines for the on-site organisation shall be circulated by Tennis Europe to the Host Nation.

### 11. FACILITIES

The Host Nation shall appoint a Tournament Committee who shall arrange accommodation and court facilities for the nations to compete (the minimum number of courts is fixed at 12). The Organisers will cover the expenses for accommodation and meals for two boys and two girls per category of age and a maximum of two non-playing captains of each country. Each National Association is responsible for their own travelling expenses.

The tournament organiser is required to have adequate insurance cover for the event. The applicant is responsible for taking out a suitable insurance policy which is compliant with local laws and regulations and which insures against claims made for damage to property and for death/injury caused to people at the event for which the applicant is legally liable.

#### **12.** SURFACE OF COURT

In consultation with the Host Nation, Tennis Europe shall decide the surface of the court to be used, and any provision for an alternative surface, which is to be used if play has to be transferred due to adverse weather conditions.

#### 13. MAKE OF BALL

Tennis Europe has the right to select the make of balls to be used in the Championships.

Tennis Europe will notify the Host Nation the make of balls selected at least sixty days before the date of the Event.

At least 4 balls will be given for a match. Balls will be changed in the singles at least

- after the 15/17th game of the semi-final and 11/13th game of the final for the main competition;
  - on principle for the third set in all other matches of the main competition

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- and with semi-final and final of the Plate;
- there will be no change of balls in the Second Plate.

## **14. MEDICAL ASSISTANCE**

The Host National Association/Local Organiser must ensure that a doctor, nurse or suitably qualified trainer is present on-site throughout the competition. A doctor must be available, preferably on-site, throughout the competition. If not, he must be available on call and be able to be on-site in a very short time.

In case there is no doctor on-site when a problem occurs, the physiotherapist can decide to continue the match without calling the doctor.

## **SECTION IV.**

#### ENTRIES AND TEAMS

#### 15. ENTRIES

Entries from National Associations are to be sent so as to reach Tennis Europe by December 31<sup>st</sup> of the year preceding the Competition.

#### 16. ENTRY FEE

The entry fee for each player amounts to 100 Euros, paid to Tennis Europe.

#### 17. PLAYERS

The delegation of a country shall consist of two boys and girls of each category and a maximum of two non-playing captains per event.

The host country can enter four boys and four girls in each category.

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Having reached the final of an ITF Junior Grand Slam can, on request of her/his National Association, be authorized by the Tennis Europe Junior Committee to compete, regardless of their age.

<u>Additional:</u> The European players in the top 5 ITF 18 & under ranking that are based on the ranking 4 weeks before the event will automatically qualify for the European Junior Championships regardless of their age. This is subject to the approval of the National Association concerned. The National Association of the player that have players automatically qualified, based on the additional regulation, will still have 2 boys and 2 girls to nominate. The maximum number of players permitted is: For the non-host Nation, a maximum of 4 boys and 4 girls. For the host nation, a maximum of 6 boys and 6 girls.

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### 18. NOMINATIONS OF PLAYERS

Nominations of individual players in order of merit for singles, and the non-playing captain, must be received by Tennis Europe four weeks before the scheduled first day of play of the Competition. National Associations shall take into account the position of their players on the International Computing Rankings (both senior and junior).

All players are required to have adequate medical, travel and liability insurance, which is not provided by either Tennis Europe, the host National Association or the local organiser.

## **19. CHANGE OF NOMINATIONS**

A National Association may change their nominations up to the sign in deadline, thereafter no change is permitted.

### 20 SIGN IN DEADLINE

All players entered into the draw must personally sign-in with the Referee by 18.00 hrs, Sunday before the Captains Meeting starts (exception: Traveling to site/Ref to Ref and/or Telephone sign in are allowed). There shall be no sign in for doubles and consolation for the 14 & under and 18 & under (in the 18 & under there is no Bonus draw), as all players are automatically entered. There shall be a sign in for the 16 & under consolation, which shall be announced by the Referee.

### 21. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

In accepting nomination, a player automatically grants to the Federation and the Host Nation the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him or her during the said Competition, without compensation.

## 22. QUALIFICATION OF A PLAYER TO REPRESENT A COUNTRY

A player is entitled to represent one nation only at ITF World Junior Tennis and Junior Davis Cup and Fed Cup competitions.

(a) Any tennis player who is in good standing with his/her National Association in accordance with Appendix F shall be qualified to represent that nation as a player if he/she:

i. Is a citizen of that nation and has a current valid passport of that nation;

ii. Is a citizen of that nation, but in circumstances where that nation does not issue its own passport holds a qualifying passport issued by or on behalf of that nation which confirms the player's place of birth as that nation; or

iii. If after a consecutive period of 2 years (24 months) residence in that nation can provide a genuine reason for being unable to hold or make application to hold a current passport where:

a) He/she was born, or has a parent or grandparent born, in that nation; or

b) He/she has obtained or procured the right to remain permanently or has been granted humanitarian protection in that nation.

If a player is qualified under this sub-section above to represent more than one nation and the National Association of one of those nations wishes to nominate him/her to represent it, that Association must submit an application to the Head of Junior Tennis who will forward a copy to any other National Association concerned, which shall be entitled to comment

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within 15 days of receipt. The initial application must be received by the Head of Junior Tennis at least three months prior to the event for which the player wishes to be nominated. In addition, if a player has represented a nation at regional international junior team competition level and he/she is qualified under this sub-section to represent another nation, that national association must submit an application to the Head of Junior Tennis who will forward a copy of the application to any other national association must be received by the Head of Junior Tennis at least three months prior to the event for which the player wishes to be nominated.

The Head of Junior Tennis will give a ruling having taken into account all relevant matters.

(b) i. A player who has represented, or has been eligible to represent a nation and such a nation is

divided into two or more nations, shall immediately be eligible to represent any one of those nations.

ii. A player who has represented, or has been eligible to represent a nation and such nation is

absorbed in whole or in part by another nation, shall immediately be eligible to represent such other nation.

(c) A player shall be deemed to have represented a nation if he/she shall have been nominated and shall have accepted the nomination to play in the Olympic Games Tennis Event, the Youth Olympic Tennis event or in any International Team Competition recognised by the ITF and listed in Bye-law 2.1 (a).

(d) A National Association may appeal to the Tennis Europe Junior Committee to nominate a player who is not eligible under the above Regulations and the said Committee may agree to the

application if the full circumstances warrant an exception being made. Such applications must be

received by the Head of Junior Tennis at least three months prior to the event for which the player wishes to be nominated.

(e) The Tennis Europe Junior Committee and/or the Organising Committee of the event have the right to ask a National Association to produce evidence to show how a player is qualified to represent that nation.

(f) The Tennis Europe Junior Committee can only approve exceptions for players to participate in

the competitions of that Committee.

A player can represent another Nation at Regional Competitions. if there is no objection from the National Association that he/she nominated/played for an ITF team event.

#### 23. CAPTAIN'S MEETING

A Captain's Meeting shall be held on the day prior to the commencement of the Competition, and each day during the event.

#### 24. WAIVER OF CLAIMS

All players and National Associations entering the Competition agree, as a condition of entry, that for themselves, their executors, administrators, heirs and personal representatives, all claims of any kind, nature and description are waived, including past, present or future claims and injuries, if any, sustained in travelling to or from, or participating in the European Junior Championships Competition event, and/or any of its related activities and/or while in

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the location of an European Junior Championships event against the ITF, Tennis Europe, the National Association sanctioning such events, promoters, sponsors, television or other broadcast licensees, vendors, venues, local organizers and others connected with such European Summer Cups events, including its employees, officers, directors, volunteers, and representatives

# SECTION V.

## THE DRAW AND SEEDING

### 25. THE DRAW

The Draw shall be made at the venue of the Competition not later than 12 hours before the commencement of the Competition. Once the draw has been made, there can be no change, unless a seeded player withdraws prior to the commencement of the Competition and this adversely affects the seeding, in which case the Referee may request the Committee to adjust the seeding or to make the Draw again.

If two players from the same National Association are competing, they shall be drawn in different halves of the draw.

If three or four players from the same National Association are competing, the first and second –ranking shall be drawn as above and the third and fourth ranked players drawn into the quarters which do not already contain one of the that National Association's players. Any remaining competitors from the National Association shall be drawn by lot.

#### 26. SEEDING

Public Draws

All draws shall be conducted in by the Referee using the European Junior TP software, except of the 18 & under which is going to be the ITF Junior software. At least two players or official coaches of National Squads shall be present to witness the process, one of whom shall be of a different nationality to that of the host country.

European Junior Championships 14 and 16 & under:

Seeding criteria

Seedings will not be official until the draw is made.

Draws shall be seeded based on the Tennis Europe Junior Ranking dated on the Monday 7 days prior to the Tournament week. Players without a Tennis Europe Junior Ranking must not be seeded. Doubles teams must not be seeded unless both players have a Tennis Europe Junior Ranking.

Distribution of players from the same nation

Players from the same nation shall be distributed throughout the draw based on the Tennis Europe Junior Ranking used for seeding. Players without a ranking are sorted randomly within their nation.

For doubles, only teams where both players are from the same nation are considered for such distribution.

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Regardless of whether players/teams are seeded or not, they shall be distributed as follows:

No. 1-2 players/teams shall be drawn to different halves of the draw.

No. 3-4 players/teams shall be drawn to different quarters of the draw, not previously occupied by another player/team from that nation.

No. 5-8 players/teams shall be drawn to different eights (1/8th) of the draw, not previously occupied by another player/team from that nation.

No. 9-16 players/teams shall be drawn to different sixteenths (1/16th) of the draw, not previously occupied by another player/team from that nation.

a.s.o., as far as technically possible.

Singles Main Draw, Doubles Draws, and European Junior Championships Consolation Draws

Draw size	24 draw	48 draw	96 draw
	32 draw	64 draw	
Seeds	8	16	16
Based on	32 pos	64 pos	128 pos
Draw			
chart			
Seed 1	Line 1	Line 1	Line 1
Seed 2	Line 32	Line 64	Line 128
Seed 3-4	Draw to	Draw to	Draw to
	lines	lines 17,	lines
	9, 24	48	33, 96
Seed 5-8	Draw to	Draw to	Draw to
	lines	lines 16,	lines
	9, 16,	32, 33,	32, 64,
	17, 25	49	65, 97
Seed 9-12		Draw to	Draw to
		lines	lines 17,
		9, 25,	49, 80,
		40, 56	112
Seed 13-		Draw to	Draw to
16		lines	lines
		8, 24 ,	16, 48,
		51, 57	81, 113

Number of seeded players/Teams and seed positions:

Withdrawal of seeds:

If a seeded player withdraws, the remaining seeded players shall stay in their positions and the replacing player inserted in the vacated position.

European Junior Championships 18 & under:

Singles

Seedings shall be calculated following the Seeding Comparison Chart in Appendix L of the ITF Junior Circuit regulations. Players without ITF or professional rankings cannot be seeded.

#### Doubles

Doubles seeding shall be based on the Seeding Comparison Chart (Appendix L) L of the ITF Junior Circuit regulations.. If two teams are considered equal, seeding shall be based on:

i) Players' combined ITF Junior ranking (if both players have an ITF Junior

ranking) 17

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ii) ITF Junior ranking (if only one player has an ITF Junior ranking) followed by the Pro Singles ranking of the remaining player

iii) Players' combined Pro Singles ranking (if neither player has an ITF Junior ranking)

iv) Pro Singles ranking (if neither player has an ITF Junior ranking and only one player has a Pro Singles ranking)

v) If teams are still tied, draw by lot.

Note: Pro Singles ranking refers to ATP or WTA Tour singles rankings as applicable. Pro Doubles rankings are not considered.

# **SECTION VI.**

## **CONDUCT OF THE COMPETITION**

### 27. MAIN COMPETITION

A player can enter and play in one singles, consolation (only to the Under 16/14) and one doubles event. Mixed doubles will not be played.

Consolation 1 involves players who lose their first match in the main draw, including the ones that have a bye.

A match for the third place will not be played. Both losers of the semi-finals will receive a bronze medal.

The Competition is organised as follows:

- 14 & under: Monday to Sunday
- 16 & under: Monday to Sunday
- 18 & under: Monday to Sunday

Each player has to participate during this period and can only leave in case of injury with the authorization of the Tournament Committee.

#### **HOSPITALITY**

#### 14& 16 & Under

Hospitality shall be granted to a maximum of six persons (two girls, two boys, two coaches) for each nation. Hospitality will start with the lunch of the Sunday preceding the start of the competition and terminate with the elimination of the final member of the team (2 boys, 2 girls) with breakfast the subsequent day.

#### 18 & Under

Hospitality shall be granted to a maximum of six persons (two girls, two boys, two coaches) for each nation. Hospitality will start with the lunch of the Sunday preceding the start of the competition and terminate with the elimination of the final member of the team (2 boys, 2 girls) with breakfast the subsequent day. For the extra players hospitality is granted until elimination with breakfast the subsequent day.

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#### 28. NATIONS RANKING

A Nations' Ranking will be established at the end of the Championships with the following points allocation:

Singles main draw	1st	2nd	3rd/4th	5-8th	9-16th
Boys 18	100	50	30	10	5
Girls 18	100	50	30	10	5
Boys 16	100	50	30	10	5
Girls 16	100	50	30	10	5
Boys 14	100	50	30	10	5
Girls 14	100	50	30	10	5
Doubles main draw					
Boys 18	80	40	15	5	
Girls 18	80	40	15	5	
Boys 16	80	40	15	5	
Girls 16	80	40	15	5	
Boys 14	80	40	15	5	
Girls 14	80	40	15	5	
14U Plate singles	3	2	1		

#### 29. PLATE

For the categories 14 and 16 & Under, a consolation will be played in the singles events with a 32 draw, between the losers of the first round; it will be played from Tuesday to Saturday.

Consolation 1 involves players who lose their first match in the main draw, including the ones that have a bye.

Consolation for the 16 & under will not be compulsory. The players would personally need to sign in.

#### **30.** CONDITIONS OF PLAY

#### Between Matches

Except when weather or other unavoidable circumstances causes schedule disruption, players shall be scheduled for a maximum of one (1) singles match and one (1) doubles match per day, which shall not be scheduled less than twelve (12) hours after the completion of the last match of such player on the preceding day or round.

## 31. REST

Whenever it is necessary to schedule more than one match in the same day such player shall, unless he/she is in a singles and doubles final to be played consecutively, be given the following minimum rest periods:

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a)	played less than 1 hour	-	1/2 hour rest
b)	played between 1 hour and 1 1/2 hours	-	1 hour rest
c)	played more than 1 1/2 hours	-	1 1/2 hour rest





If play has been interrupted for thirty (30) minutes or more due to rain or other warranted delay, the length of match time would be assessed from the moment play resumes following the delay.

If play is interrupted for less than thirty (30) minutes, match time would be considered continuous from the moment the first ball of the match was put into play.

No rest is allowed after the second set.

### 32. WARM-UP

The warm-up shall not exceed five minutes.

## 33. DOUBLES

Only the players competing in the singles are allowed to enter the doubles. If a nation has two players in one category of age, these two players will play the doubles in the category.

If a player has no doubles partner, a doubles team consisting of two players from different nations will be formed by balloting. The teams so formed have no right for the attribution of points for the nations' ranking.

## 34. COACHING

These are <u>individual</u> Championships. No one is allowed to advise the players on anything during the matches. Only the players, the umpires, possibly a delegate of the organisers and the people supervising the courts are allowed to stay within the court when a match is held.

## 35. CODE OF CONDUCT

The Code of Conduct for the Tennis Europe Junior Tour shall apply (See Appendix C, of the 2020 Tennis Europe Junior Tour regulations).

The Referee shall submit a report, including details of any penalties imposed under the Code of Conduct. A list of any penalties imposed shall be posted during the tournament on the competitor's notice board, and shall be updated on a daily basis.

## 36. MEDICAL CONDITIONS

Please see Appendix 3

## 37. SCORING SYSTEM

Singles Main Draw: Matches are played in best of three (3) tiebreak sets. No rest shall be allowed after the second set.

Doubles: Matches are played with two (2) tiebreak sets with NoAd-scoring and, if required, a 10-point Match Tiebreak. No rest shall be allowed after the second set.

Consolation: Matches may be played either as best of three (3) tiebreak sets, or

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two (2) tiebreak sets with "traditional" scoring and a 10-point Match tiebreak, or best of three (3) Short Sets.

The service let will be eliminated at all Tennis Europe Junior Tour Tournaments (Singles and doubles matches).

In case of severe weather conditions the tournament committee may use alternative scoring methods as approved in the 2020 Rules of Tennis (available at <u>www.itftennis.com</u>).

#### 38. SUSPENSION AND POSTPONEMENT

The Chair Umpire may suspend a match temporarily due to darkness or conditions of the grounds or weather. Any such suspension by the Chair Umpire must be reported immediately to the Referee. The Referee must, however, make all decisions on the postponement of a match until a later day. Unless and until a match is postponed by the Referee, the players, Chair Umpire and all on-court officials must remain ready to resume the match. Upon suspension of a match, the Chair Umpire shall record the time, point, game and set score, and the name of the server, the sides on which each player was situated and shall collect all balls in use for the match. If suspension is due to darkness it should be after an even number of games have been played in the set in progress or at the end of a set.

There shall be five (5) minutes of warm-up before a match. In the case of a suspended or postponed match, the period of warm-up shall be as follows:

0-15 minutes delay	-	no warm-up
(More than 10 minutes less than 30 minutes)	-	three (3) minutes of warm-up
30 or more minutes of delay	-	five (5) minutes of warm-up

#### 39. MEDICAL CONTROL - ANTI DOPING POLICY

All players entering into any Tennis Europe Junior Tour event agree, as a condition of entry, to the following medical control:

Random doping control tests may be conducted at the Tennis Europe Junior Tour events in accordance with Bye-law 8 of the Constitution of the ITF Limited (See Appendix 8).

#### **40. IDENTIFICATION ON CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT**

The Identification on Clothing and Equipment Rule currently adopted for the ITF Junior World Ranking shall apply (see Appendix C of the 2014 Tennis Europe Junior Tour regulations).

#### 41. OFFICIALS

The Referee shall be a minimum Silver Badge.

There shall be a chair umpire for each match from the quarterfinals and at least two linespersons for each match from the semi-finals, i.e. one for the far sideline, one for the service line.

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# **SECTION VII.**

## **PENALTIES**

## 42. WITHDRAWALS

Nations whose entries have been accepted into the Competition shall not withdraw. Any nation who does withdraw after the deadline for giving the nominations (2 weeks before the start of the competition) shall be fined. This fine shall be three times the amount of the entry fee. Penalties for no-shows will be examined case by case by the Tennis Europe Junior Committee.

### 43. DEFAULT IN PAYMENT

Any default in payment in respect of their players' participation in a previous Competition, shall render that nation liable to have its entry refused for any future Competitions until such payment shall have been made in full.

### 44. FAILURE TO ABIDE BY THE RULES AND REGULATIONS

Any competing nation who fails to conform to these Rules and Regulations may be immediately disqualified and/or shall be liable to have their entry refused for future Competitions until assurances of compliance with the Regulations are given, and subject to any further penalties set out in these Regulations.

For offences, which do not justify disqualification, the Committee of Management may decide that a fine be imposed.

#### 45. MEDICAL EXCUSE

A player may withdraw through injury or illness not more than twice each calendar year without incurring automatic penalty, providing an independent medical certificate is submitted to the appropriate entry authority and/or Tennis Europe stating that the player concerned is unable to play in the tournament due to a specified injury or illness. All medical certificates must be received by the appropriate entry authority or Tennis Europe within 21 days of the player's withdrawal from the tournament concerned. If a player sustains an injury which necessitates his/her withdrawal from subsequent events, no automatic penalty will be levied. Following recovery, should a player participate in an event and have to withdraw through injury, a new medical certificate will be required, even if the injury is a recurrence. In the case of an appeal or dispute, the final decision shall rest with the Tennis Europe Junior Committee.

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# SECTION VIII.

## ARBITRATION

### 46. SETTLEMENT OF ON-SITE DISPUTES

The Referee shall decide on any on-site disputes or interpretation in accordance with the ITF Rules of Tennis. He or she shall also be the final arbiter for penalties imposed under the Code of Conduct unless the Code provides for an appeal to Tennis Europe for that offence.

The Tournament Committee shall be the final on-site arbiter for any appeal against a decision of the Referee other than on the subjects of the Rules of Tennis or the Code of Conduct.

#### 47. FINAL ARBITERS

The Board of Management shall be the final arbiters in any dispute, and shall decide any appeals.

## **SECTION IX.**

#### INTERNATIONAL SPONSORSHIP

#### 48. SPONSORSHIP REQUIREMENTS

The Host Nation will receive specific instructions and materials from Tennis Europe to display around the competition courts with the identification of the international sponsors. The Host Nation will also be informed about the services provided by the international sponsors.

#### 49. RESEARCH

No research involving players, coaches or other persons directly associated with a tournament shall be conducted without prior approval of the Tennis Europe.

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# APPENDICES

## APPENDIX 1 - ITF 12 & UNDER RULE

The Tennis Europe Junior Tour, APPENDIX 1, ITF 12 & under regulation shall apply and all players are bound by. The Tennis Europe Junior Tour ITF 12 & under regulation 2020 is set in full on the Tennis Europe website (www.tenniseurope.org).

## **APPENDIX 2 - CODE OF CONDUCT**

The Tennis Europe Junior Tour Code of Conduct shall apply and all players are bound by. The Tennis Europe Junior Tour code of conduct 2020 is set in full on the Tennis Europe website (www.tenniseurope.org). The Tennis Europe Junior Tour Code of Conduct 2020 is also available upon application.

## **APPENDIX 3**

# MEDICAL, EXTREME WEATHER CONDITIONS AND TOILET/CHANGE OF ATTIRE BREAKS

### Medical

## a. Medical Condition

A medical condition is a medical illness or a musculoskeletal injury that warrants medical evaluation and/or medical treatment by the Sports Physiotherapist (also known as the Primary Health Care Provider) during the warm-up or the match.

- Treatable Medical Conditions
  - Acute medical condition: the sudden development of a medical illness or musculoskeletal injury during the warm-up or the match that requires immediate medical attention.
  - Non-acute medical condition: a medical illness or musculoskeletal injury that develops or is aggravated during the warm-up or the match and requires medical attention at the changeover or set break.
- Non-Treatable Medical Conditions
  - Any medical condition that cannot be treated appropriately, or that will not be improved by available medical treatment within the time allowed.
  - $\circ$  Any medical condition (inclusive of symptoms) that has not





developed or has not been aggravated during the warm-up or the match.

- General player fatigue.
- Any medical condition requiring injections, intravenous infusions or oxygen, except for diabetes, for which prior medical certification has been obtained, and for which subcutaneous injections of insulin may be administered.

### b. Medical Evaluation

During the warm-up or the match, the player may request through the Chair Umpire for the Sports Physiotherapist, in conjunction with the Tournament Doctor, to evaluate him/her during the next change over or set break. Only in the case that a player develops an acute medical condition that necessitates an immediate stop in play may the player request through the Chair Umpire for the Sports Physiotherapist to evaluate him/her immediately.

The purpose of the medical evaluation is to determine if the player has developed a treatable medical condition and, if so, to determine when medical treatment is warranted. Such evaluation should be performed within a reasonable length of time, balancing player safety on the one hand, and continuous play on the other. At the discretion of the Sports Physiotherapist, such evaluation may be performed in conjunction with the Tournament Doctor, and may be performed off-court. \*

If the Sports Physiotherapist determines that the player has a non-treatable medical condition, then the player will be advised that no medical treatment will be allowed.

#### c. Medical Time-Out

A Medical Time-Out is allowed by the Referee or Chair Umpire when the Sports Physiotherapist has evaluated the player and has determined that additional time for medical treatment is required. The Medical Time-Out takes place during a change over or set break, unless the Sports Physiotherapist determines that the player has developed an acute medical condition that requires immediate medical treatment.

The Medical Time-Out begins when the Sports Physiotherapist is ready to start treatment. At the discretion of the Sports Physiotherapist, treatment during a Medical Time-Out may take place off-court, and may proceed in conjunction with the Tournament Doctor.

The Medical Time-Out is limited to three (3) minutes of treatment. However, at non-professional events, the Referee may extend the time allowed for treatment if necessary.

A player is allowed one (1) Medical Time-Out for each distinct treatable medical condition. All clinical manifestations of heat illness shall be considered as one (1) treatable medical condition. All treatable musculoskeletal injuries that manifest as part of a kinetic chain continuum shall be considered as one (1) treatable medical condition.

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*Muscle Cramping:* A player may receive treatment for muscle cramping only during the time allotted for change of ends and/or set breaks. Players may not receive a Medical Time-Out for muscle cramping.

In cases where there is doubt about whether the player suffers from an acute medical condition, non-acute medical condition inclusive of muscle cramping, or non-treatable medical condition, the decision of the Sports Physiotherapist, in conjunction with the Tournament Doctor, if appropriate, is final. If the Sports Physiotherapist believes that the player has heat illness, and if muscle cramping is one of the manifestations of heat illness, then the muscle cramping may only be treated as part of the recommended treatment by the Sports Physiotherapist for the heat illness condition.

Note:

A player who has stopped play by claiming an acute medical condition, but is determined by the Sports Physiotherapist and/or Tournament Doctor to have muscle cramping, shall be ordered by the Chair Umpire to resume play immediately.

If the player cannot continue playing due to severe muscle cramping, as determined by the Sports Physiotherapist and/or Tournament Doctor, he/she may forfeit the point(s)/game(s) needed to get to a change of end or set-break in order to receive immediate evaluation, and treatment if time allows. There may be a total of two (2) additional change of ends treatments for muscle cramping in a match, not necessarily consecutive.

If it is determined by the Chair Umpire or Referee that gamesmanship was involved, then a Code Violation for Unsportsmanlike Conduct could be issued.

A total of two (2) consecutive Medical Time-Outs may be allowed by the Referee for the special circumstance in which the Sports Physiotherapist determines that the player has developed at least two (2) distinct acute and treatable medical conditions. This may include: a medical illness in conjunction with a musculoskeletal injury; two or more acute and distinct musculoskeletal injuries. In such cases, the Sports Physiotherapist will perform a medical evaluation for the two or more treatable medical conditions during a single evaluation, and may then determine that two consecutive Medical Time-Outs are required.

## d. Medical Treatment

A player may receive on-court medical treatment and/or supplies from the Sports Physiotherapist and/or Tournament Doctor during any changeover or set break. As a guideline, such medical treatment should be limited to two (2) changeovers/set breaks for each treatable medical condition, before or after a Medical Time-Out, and need not be consecutive. Players may not receive medical treatment for non-treatable medical conditions.

## e. Penalty

After completion of a Medical Time-Out or medical treatment, any delay in resumption of play shall be penalized by Code Violations for Delay of Game.

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Any player abuse of this Medical Rule will be subject to penalty in accordance with the Unsportsmanlike Conduct section of the Code of Conduct.

## f. Bleeding

If a player is bleeding, the Chair Umpire must stop play as soon as possible, and the Sports Physiotherapist should be called to the court by the Chair Umpire for evaluation and treatment. The Sports Physiotherapist, in conjunction with the Tournament Doctor, will evaluate the source of the bleeding, and will request a Medical Time-Out for treatment if necessary.

If requested by the Sports Physiotherapist and/or Tournament Doctor, the Referee may allow up to a total of five (5) minutes to assure control of the bleeding.

If blood has spilled onto the court or its immediate vicinity, play must not resume until the blood spill has been cleaned appropriately.

If a player is vomiting, the Chair Umpire must stop play if vomiting has spilled onto the court, or if the player requests medical evaluation. If the player requests medical evaluation, then the Sports Physiotherapist should determine if the player has a treatable medical condition, and if so, whether the medical condition is acute or non-acute.

If vomiting has spilled onto the court, play must not resume until the vomit spill has been cleaned appropriately.

## h. Incapacity

If any concern arises about a player's medical condition (whether physical or psychological) they are unable to compete, or they pose a serious health risk to players, officials or tournament organisers or staff, the Sports Physiotherapist and/or Tournament Doctor should be called to assist the player.

If the issue arises during a match, the Chair Umpire should immediately call for the Tournament Doctor and/or Sports Physiotherapist to assist the player.

The Tournament Doctor is responsible for ensuring that the player is afforded the best medical attention, that his/her well-being is not put at risk, and that his/her medical condition is not a risk to other players or the public at large. All discussions between the Tournament Doctor and the player take place within the context of a doctor-patient relationship and are therefore confidential and may not be divulged to a third party without the informed consent of the player.

However, if the Tournament Doctor determines that the player's medical condition makes the player unable to participate safely in the tournament, the player must permit the Tournament Doctor to advise the Tennis Europe Supervisor of their determination (only disclosing medical information to which the player has consented). Upon receipt of such report from the Tournament Doctor, the Tennis Europe Supervisor will decide whether to retire the player from the match in progress or withdraw the player from the match to be played (as applicable). The Tennis Europe Supervisor shall use great discretion before taking this action, and should base the decision on the best interests of professional tennis, as well as taking all medical opinion and advice, and any other relevant information into consideration.

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If the player's medical condition improves sufficiently to return to match play, the Tournament Doctor may inform the Tennis Europe Supervisor accordingly. At the discretion of the Tennis Europe Supervisor, the player may subsequently compete in another event at the same tournament, (e.g. doubles), either that day or on a subsequent day.

It is recognized that national laws or governmental or other binding Regulations imposed upon the tournament by authorities outside its control may require more compulsory participation by the Tournament Doctor in all decisions regarding diagnosis and treatment.





#### **EXTREME WEATHER CONDITIONS AND LIGHTNING**

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#### a. Definitions

## Extreme Heat Condition: Modification of Play

Extreme Weather Conditions shall be defined as when the Heat Stress Index (Wet Bulb Globe Temperature (WBGT) Index) meets or exceeds 30.1°C/86.2°F. If the WBGT cannot be measured, then the Heat Index should be calculated using the chart below, and Extreme Heat Condition: Modification of Play criterion is defined as when the Heat Index meets or exceeds 34.0°C (93.2°F).

## Extreme Heat Condition: Suspension of Play

Extreme Heat Condition: Suspension of Play criterion is defined as when the WBGT on court meets or exceeds  $32.2^{\circ}$ C (90.0°F). If the WBGT cannot be measured, then the Heat Index should be calculated using the chart below, and Extreme Heat Condition: Suspension of Play criterion is defined as when the Heat Index meets or exceeds  $40.1^{\circ}$ C ( $104.2^{\circ}$ F).

				Air Tempe	erature (C	elsius/Fa	hrenheit)				
	21.1°C	23.9°C	26.7°C	29.4°C	32.2°C	35°C	37.8°C	40.6°C	43.3°C	46.1°C	48.9°C
	70°F	75°F	80°F	85°F	90°F	95°F	100°F	105°F	110°F	115°F	120°F
Relative				•	Appar	ent Temp	erature	•	•		
humidity		(combined index of air temperature and relative humidity)									
				•							
00/	17.8°C	20.6°C	22.8°C	5.6°C	28.3°C	30.6°C	32.8°C	35°C	37.2°C	39.4°C	41.7°C
0%	64°F	69°F	73°F	78°F	83°F	87°F	91°F	95°F	99°F	103°F	107°F
100/	18.3°C	21.1°C	23.9°C	26.7°C	29.4°C	32.2°C	35°C	37.8°C	40.6°C	43.9°C	46.7°C
10%	65°F	70°F	75°F	80°F	85°F	90°F	95°F	100°F	105°F	111°F	116°F
209/	18.9°C	22.2°C	25°C	27.8°C	30.6°C	33.9°C	37.2°C	40.6°C	44.4°C	48.9°C	54.4°C
20%	66°F	72°F	77°F	82°F	87°F	93°F	99°F	105°F	112°F	120°F	130°F
30%	19.4°C	22.8°C	25.6°C	28.9°C	32.2°C	35.6°C	40.1°C	45°C	50.6°C	57.2°C	64.4°C
30%	67°F	73°F	78°F	84°F	90°F	96°F	104.2°F	113°F	123°F	135°F	148°F
40%	20°C	23.3°C	26.1°C	30°C	33.9°C	38.3°C	43.3°C	50.6°C	58.3°C	66.1°C	
4070	68°F	74°F	79°F	86°F	93°F	101°F	110°F	123°F	137°F	151°F	
50%	20.6°C	23.9°C	27.2°C	31.1°C	35.6°C	41.7°C	48.9°C	57.2°C	65.6°C		
50/0	69°F	75°F	81°F	88°F	96°F	107°F	120°F	135°F	150°F		
60%	21.1°C	24.4°C	27.8°C	32.2°C	37.8°C	45.6°C	55.6°C	65°C			
00/8	70°F	76°F	82°F	90°F	100°F	114°F	132°F	149°F			
70%	21.1°C	25°C	29.4°C	33.9°C	41.1°C	51.1°C	62.2°C				
	70°F	77°F	85°F	93°F	106°F	124°F	144°F				
80%	21.7°C	25.6°C	30°C	36.1°C	45°C	57.8°C					
00,0	71°F	78°F	86°F	97°F	113°F	136°F					
90%	21.7°C	26.1°C	31.1°C	38.9°C	50°C						
50/0	71°F	79°F	88°F	102°F	122°F						





### **b.** Measurement Procedure

The WBGT or Heat Index should be measured at least three (3) times daily by the Tennis Europe Supervisor or his/her designee. Ideally, measurements should be taken every two (2) hours, but a minimum three (3) readings should be taken at the following times:

i. 30 minutes before match play begins;
ii. Middle of the scheduled day's play; and
iii. Just prior to beginning the last match of the day, or just prior to the start of the first evening session match.

The WBGT or Heat Index also should be measured under the following circumstances:

(a) Following any suspension of play; and

**(b)** At the discretion of the Tennis Europe Supervisor, in consultation with the Tournament Doctor and/or Sports Physiotherapist.

Details on the measurement of WBGT and Heat Index are provided in the current edition of the ITF Guide to Recommended Health Care Standards for Tennis Tournaments.

## c. Extreme Heat Condition: Modification of Play

When the Extreme Heat Condition – Modification of Play criterion is met before the start or resumption of a match, the procedures set out below in sub-section (d) should be followed. For the avoidance of doubt, the Tennis Europe Supervisor has the discretion to apply the procedures set out in sub-section (d) at a WBGT or Heat Index below the Extreme Heat Condition: Modification of Play criterion, if in his or her opinion it is required in the safety and wellbeing of players, officials, spectators or others.

If there is a change in weather conditions and the Extreme Heat Condition: Modification of Play criterion is met while a match is in progress, as determined by the periodic monitoring set out above in sub-section (b), the procedures set out below in sub-section (d) should be followed on all courts, including matches already in progress. Once notified that the Extreme Weather Condition: Modification of Play criterion is met, the Chair Umpire must inform the players at the next change of ends or set break.

If there is a change in weather conditions and the Extreme Heat Condition: Modification of Play criterion is no longer met, as determined by the periodic monitoring set out above in sub-section (b), those matches already in progress should continue to follow the procedures set out below in sub-section (d) until they are completed or suspended.

## d. Modification of Play Procedures (Singles & Doubles)

A 10-minute break will be allowed between the second and third sets (in a best of 3 sets match) if one or more of the players requests such a break. If neither/none of the players requests such a break, then play will continue.

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However, if a match has already resumed following the suspension of play and one set was completed before the suspension of play (in a best of 3 sets match), the 10-minute break will no longer be available, unless otherwise decided by the Tennis Europe Supervisor.

The Tennis Europe Supervisor, in consultation with the Tournament Doctor/Sports Physiotherapist, may choose to delay the starting time for matches until such a time as the Extreme Heat Condition: Modification of Play criterion is no longer met.

i. During the 10-minute break:

**a.** No coaching is allowed.

**b.** A Medical Evaluation, Medical Time-Out or Medical Treatment is not allowed, unless approved by the Tennis Europe Supervisor. This would normally be restricted to requests for the Tournament Doctor/Sports Physiotherapist that are made on-court to the Chair Umpire, or were already agreed before the end of the second set (in a best of 3 sets 73 match). However, a player is allowed to receive an adjustment of medical support, medical equipment and/or medical advice from the Tournament Doctor/Sports Physiotherapist during the 10-minute break.

ii. Immediately following the 10-minute break:

**a.** Any delay in resumption of play will subject a player to Time Violations (Warning, Point Penalties only apply).

**b.** No re-warm up is allowed.

**c.** A player is not allowed to receive a Medical Evaluation, Medical TimeOut or Medical Treatment, unless approved by the Tennis Europe Supervisor.

iii. Consecutive Breaks

An Extreme Weather Condition: Modification of Play 10-minute break and a Bathroom/Change of Attire break cannot be taken consecutively.

e. Extreme Heat Condition: Suspension of Play (Singles and Doubles)

When the Extreme Heat Condition: Suspension of Play criterion is met before the start or resumption of a match, the start or resumption of play should be suspended until Extreme Heat Condition: Suspension of Play criterion is no longer met. If a game is in progress when the Extreme Heat Condition: Suspension of Play criterion is met, play should be suspended at the end of that game. Once the Extreme Heat Condition: Suspension of Play criterion is no longer met, the Tennis Europe Supervisor should give the players reasonable notice of the time at which play will resume. For the avoidance of doubt, the Tennis Europe Supervisor has the discretion to suspend play at a WBGT or Heat Index below the Extreme Heat Condition: Suspension of Play criterion, if in his or her opinion it is required in the safety and wellbeing of players, officials, spectators or others.

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#### e. Lightning

The Tennis Europe Supervisor or his/her designee is responsible for monitoring the local weather for lightning. The Tennis Europe Supervisor has the authority to suspend play when a thunderstorm appears imminent (for instance if lightning is sighted and thunder occurs in 30 seconds or less). Everyone on-site should be advised to seek appropriate shelter immediately. Play should not resume until the likelihood of a lightning strike has passed (as a guideline, at least 30 minutes after the last lightning strike is seen and the last sound of thunder is heard). Additional information on thunderstorms and lightning is provided in the ITF Guide to Recommended Health Care Standards for Tennis Tournaments.

### **TOILET/CHANGE OF ATTIRE BREAK**

A player is allowed to request permission to leave the court for a reasonable time for a toilet break/change of attire break (girls' matches). Toilet breaks/change of attire breaks must be taken on a set break. In girls' singles matches a player is entitled to one (1) break during a match. In boys' singles matches a player is entitled to one (1) toilet break during a match. In a doubles match, and in any singles matches played with a reduced format of two tiebreak sets and a match tiebreak, a toilet break/change of attire break is not permitted before the match tiebreak. In a doubles match, each team is entitled to two (2) breaks. If partners leave the court together, it counts as one (1) break. If only one player leaves the court, it also counts as one (1) break.

These breaks may be taken for toilet visits, change of attire (girls' matches), or both, but for no other reason whatsoever. Any time a player leaves the court for a toilet break, it is considered one of the authorised breaks regardless of whether or not the opponent has left the court. Any toilet break taken after a warm-up has started is considered one of the authorised breaks.

Toilet breaks not taken on a set break will be authorised but will be penalised in accordance with the Point Penalty Schedule if the player is not ready to play within the allowed time. The Referee shall have the authority to deny a player permission to leave the court during a match for a toilet and/or change of attire break if it is interpreted by the Referee as gamesmanship and/or flagrant abuse of the Rules. A player should not take a toilet/change of attire break and a medical time out consecutively unless approved by the Referee. A player may change her attire during a toilet break.

Any player abuse of this rule will be subject to penalty in accordance with the Unsportsmanlike Conduct section of the Code of Conduct.

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# APPENDIX 4 WELFARE POLICY

The Tennis Europe Junior Tour Welfare Policy shall apply and all players are bound by. The Tennis Europe Junior Tour Welfare Policy 2020 is set in full on the Tennis Europe website (www.tenniseurope.org). The Tennis Europe Junior Tour Welfare Policy 2020 is also available upon application.





## APPENDIX 5 ITF JUNIOR AGE ELIGIBILITY RULE

## 1. ITF Junior Age Eligibility Chart

	Number of tournaments permitted
Age	
18	Unrestricted
17	Unrestricted
16	25
15	16 (unless player achieves a top 20 ITF Junior Ranking in which case an additional 4 tournaments permitted)
14	14 (unless player achieves a top 20 ITF Junior Ranking in which case an additional 4 tournaments permitted)
13	10 (unless player achieves a top 50 ITF Junior Ranking in which case an additional
	4 tournaments permitted)
11/12	0

#### NOTES

- The number of tournaments permitted is counted between the date of a player's birthday and the day before their next birthday, not between 1<sup>st</sup> January and 31<sup>st</sup> December.
- 2. Participation in an ITF Junior Circuit tournament includes singles and/or doubles and/or qualifying.
- 3. For the purposes of the ITF Junior Age Eligibility Rule, the start date of a tournament is the Main Draw start date.
- 4. A player may not participate in any ITF Junior Circuit Tournament until they have reached their 13<sup>th</sup> birthday.
- 5. The number of tournaments permitted by the ITF Junior Age Eligibility Rule is in addition to the number of professional tournaments permitted by the Age Eligibility Rule (please refer to ITF Professional Circuit Regulations, and WTA Tour Regulations for details on the Age Eligibility Rule.)





## APPENDIX 6 16 & UNDER TOURNAMENT FEED UP SYSTEM

- a) 16 & Under Tournament Feed Up Exempt Positions will be offered to players selected through the regional 16 & Under year-end ranking or, if 16 & Under regional ranking is not available, through results in the 16 & Under Regional (or national for USA and Canada) Individual Championships.
- b) Two 16 & Under Tournament Feed Up Exempt Positions will be offered to each eligible player in the singles main draw of pre-determined ITF Junior Circuit tournaments.
- c) 16 & Under Tournament Feed Up Exempt Positions will be offered only within the player's home region except in exceptional circumstances i.e. there is no relevant Grade tournament in the home region.
- d) The level of pre-determined ITF Junior Circuit tournaments within the players' home region where singles main draw 16 & Under Tournament Feed Up Exempt Position will be offered is as follows:

Boys & Girls	No. of
,	Tournament &
	Grade
No.1 Player in	2 x Grade 1
the region	
No.2 Player in	1 x Grade 1
the region	1 x Grade 2
No.3 Player in	2 x Grade 2
the region	
No.4/5/6/7	2 x Grade 3
Player in the	
region	

- e) No player can obtain an exempt position by virtue of his/her 16 & Under year-end ranking in another region (i.e. a South American player finishing in a top position of the 16 & Under year-end ranking in Europe).
- f) The number of players (Boys & Girls) per region to benefit from the 16 & Under Tournament Feed Up system in 2013 is as follows:

Africa	2
Asia	4
Canada (North America)	2
Central America & The Caribbean	2
Europe	7
Oceania	2
South America	2
USA (North America)	2
	Asia Canada (North America) Central America & The Caribbean Europe Oceania South America

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# APPENDIX 7 THE PLAYERS

## 1. Definition of "Good Standing" of a Player

The term "good standing" in connection with a player shall be defined as follows:

One whom: -

- (a) Is not under a suspension imposed by his National Association, or by the ITF, or through the imposition of a suspension under a Code of Conduct accepted and approved by the ITF.
- (b) Is accepted by his National Association as being under its jurisdiction while competing in events for which his Association has nominated him.
- (c) Makes himself available for selection for Official Team Championships and accepts the jurisdiction of his National Association while competing in events for which they have nominated him.
- (d) Respects the spirit of fair play and non-violence at all times.
- (e) Accepts the Conditions of Entry of the events he enters, including the conditions of any Code of Conduct adopted for those events.
- (f) Agrees to undergo any medical control, including gender verification and tests, which are in operation at any event which he or she enters.

## 2. Definition of a "National"

A national of a country is a player who is eligible for and holds a passport of that country and for the purposes of Appendix C, Regulation 83. the tennis nationality of a player shall be:

- (a) In the case of a player who has represented a country, that of the country which he last represented.
- (b) In all other cases, that of the country which he is for the time being qualified to represent under Regulation 83.

## 3. Gender Verification

In any competition, a player may be required upon request to submit to gender verification to determine sexual status.

In the event that the gender of a player is questioned, the medical delegate (or equivalent) of the ITF shall have the authority to take all appropriate measures for the determination of the gender of a competitor.

The results of any tests conducted will not be made public out of deference to the human rights of the individual concerned but will be reported to the Chairman of the ITF Sport Science and Medicine Commission who shall advise the Board of Directors of the gender of the player concerned.

Failure by a player to submit to testing upon the request of the ITF shall subject the player to immediate suspension from the competition until such time as the appropriate testing is carried out in accordance with these Regulations.

# Transsexuals

Any individuals undergoing sex reassignment from male to female before puberty are regarded as girls and women (female), while those undergoing reassignment from female to male are regarded as boys and men (male).

Individuals undergoing sex reassignment from male to female after puberty (and the converse) are eligible for participation in female or male competitions, respectively, under the following conditions:

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a. Surgical anatomical changes have been completed, including external genitalia changes and gonadectomy.

b. Legal recognition of their assigned sex has been conferred by the appropriate official authorities.

c. Hormonal therapy appropriate for the assigned sex has been administered in a verifiable manner and for a sufficient length of time to minimise gender-related advantages in sport competitions.

d. Eligibility should begin no sooner than two years after gonadectomy.

In all instances, a confidential case-by-case evaluation will occur.

## **APPENDIX 8**

#### **ITF TENNIS ANTI - DOPING PROGRAMME**

#### **Medical Control - Anti-Doping Policy**

Any Player, Player Support Personnel or other Person who enters or participates in the ITF Junior Circuit and the Tennis Europe Junior Tour Junior Tour 12, 14 & 16 & Under shall be bound by and shall comply with all of the provisions of the ITF Tennis Anti-Doping Programme 2020.

The ITF Tennis Anti-Doping Programme 2020 is set out in full on the ITF website (<u>www.itftennis.com</u>) and in a separate rule book that is published and distributed by the ITF to all National Associations. The ITF Tennis Anti-Doping Programme 2020 is also available upon application.

#### **APPENDIX 9**

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