

# 2022 ITF WORLD TENNIS TOUR JUNIORS REGULATIONS Summary of Key Rule Changes

The following pages provide a summary of the key changes to the 2022 ITF World Tennis Tour Juniors Regulations. These are <u>not</u> the regulations. The full Tour Regulations can be seen in the 'Juniors Tour' section at <u>www.itftennis.com</u>.

Changes made from the previous year (2021) are shown in <u>underlined</u> text.

## 4. Players Eligible

A player is eligible for the 2022 ITF World Tennis Tour Juniors if they meet all of the following criteria:

- a) they are under the jurisdiction of a national tennis association affiliated to the ITF;
- b) they are born between 1st January 2004 and 31st December 2009. Players are eligible to compete on the Tour in the year they turn 13 years of age, if they have reached their 13th birthday on or before the start of the Singles Main Draw of the tournament they are competing in, until the end of the year in which the player turns 18 years of age;
- c) they are in "good standing" with their national association as defined in Appendix M of the Regulations;
- d) in accordance with the ITF Junior Age Eligibility Rules set out in Appendix G, they have not exceeded the limit in the number of tournaments in which they are permitted to participate in a calendar year according to their age; and
- e) If they are ranked in the top 200 of the ITF Junior Rankings, they must complete the Anti-Doping and integrity modules of the ITF <u>Academy</u> educational website (<a href="https://www.itf-academy.com/">https://www.itf-academy.com/</a>) within three (3) months from the date of their entry into the top 200. At the end of this period, irrespective of whether they remain in the top 200, their IPIN account may be suspended until the modules have been completed.

## 10. Combined Junior Ranking

The Combined Junior Ranking shall take into account the following from the preceding 52 weeks\*:

- (i) the six best singles results obtained in Grand Slam, Grade A, ITF Junior Finals, Grade B (Regional Championships), Grade C (International Team Competition) and Grades 1-5 junior tournaments (together "Ranking Tournaments").
- (ii) one quarter (¼) of the six best doubles results, obtained in Ranking Tournaments.
  - During 2022, a player may count only their 'best result' from up to two (2) editions of the same Grade 3 (J3/B3) or higher graded tournament, if both are included in the previous 52-week period.
  - Results from the same J4 and J5 tournament may be counted more than once within a player's best six results during the 52-week period.

# 15. Tournament Application and Approval

For the purposes of these Regulations, **Applicant** means any sanctioning National Association and/or the Tournament Organiser awarded a one (1) year sanction on the ITF World Tennis Tour Juniors calendar.

Completed Tournament applications for inclusion in the Tour are to be submitted to the ITF in accordance with the deadlines communicated to National Associations. ITF has full discretion to grant, refuse or grant with conditions an application, including regarding applications from existing tournaments which may include upgrading or downgrading.



#### 20. Sanction Fees

All tournaments on the ITF World Tennis Tour Juniors must pay the relevant fee below in order to be included on the Calendar.

Grade A	\$725
Grade B1	\$650
Grade 1	\$600
Grade B2	\$525
Grade 2	\$450
Grade B3	\$380
Grade 3	\$325
Grade 4	\$250
Grade 5	\$180

#### 30. Grades and Allocation of Points

Tournaments shall be classified into grades, based on a range of criteria (by way of example only, strength of draw, player feedback, standards of delivery and geographical balance) as determined by the Committee (which may include but not limited to strength of draw, player feedback, standards of delivery and geographical balance). Ranking points for each tournament grade are as set out below. Please refer to Appendices A, B and C for special regulations for tournament Grades A, B and C.

Tournament grading is managed by the ITF Juniors Committee. The current tournament grading criteria, available at www.itftennis.com, shall determine: (i) whether an existing tournament is suitable for an upgrade or downgrade, or (ii) the grade of any new tournament.

## 39. Singles Entry and Withdrawal

## ii) Submission of Entries and Withdrawals

All entries must be submitted online through the IPIN online service or, in exceptional circumstances, by email on the Official Entry Form to the ITF.

Irrespective of the penalties that may be imposed under Regulation 39(v) and the Code of Conduct, players must always submit a withdrawal if they are not going to attend a tournament that they have entered.

Withdrawals must be submitted online through the IPIN online service. Note: Sending a Withdrawal Form by email is no longer an acceptable method for players to withdraw themselves from an ITF tournament after the Freeze Deadline. Only in exceptional circumstances, the Official Withdrawal Form may be sent by email to the ITF and/or ITF tournament Supervisor by the applicable deadline. Entry and withdrawal forms submitted by email must be signed by the player and be fully completed.

#### vi) Freeze Deadline

The Freeze Deadline is at 14:00 hrs GMT on the Wednesday preceding the tournament week. After the Freeze Deadline players on the Qualifying Acceptance List will no longer be moved into the Main Draw, and players on one or more Alternate Lists will no longer be moved into the Qualifying Acceptance List. Such Alternates are not committed to play the tournament and therefore are not subject to Late Withdrawal or No Show penalties.

A player who wishes to withdraw from Main Draw or Qualifying after the Freeze Deadline must withdraw online through the IPIN online service or, in exceptional circumstances, by email using the Official Withdrawal Form to both the ITF and ITF Supervisor by the applicable sign-in deadline, otherwise he/she will be subject to the penalties provided for No Show under the Juniors Code of Conduct.



#### 42. One Tournament per Week – Grand Slam

a) A player is permitted to play in an ITF World Tennis Tour Juniors tournament if they have played in a professional Grand Slam Qualifying event the previous week, provided the player has been eliminated from singles and doubles of the Grand Slam Qualifying prior to the Qualifying Sign-in Deadline of the ITF World Tennis Tour Juniors tournament.

Any such player who is still competing in the Grand Slam tournament at this deadline must withdraw from the relevant ITF World Tour Juniors tournament. It is the player's responsibility to withdraw from the tournament.

A player is allowed to play the doubles event at a <u>professional</u> Grand Slam tournament at the same time as he /she is still competing in the singles event only of the same week's ITF World Tennis Tour Juniors tournament subject to the approval of both Supervisors and provided that this does not unfairly affect the scheduling at either event.

b) A player is permitted to play in an ITF World Tennis Tour Juniors tournament if they have played in a Juniors Grand Slam Qualifying event the previous week, provided the player receives a wild card for the ITF World Tennis Tour Juniors tournament and has been eliminated from singles and doubles of the Grand Slam Qualifying prior to the Qualifying Sign-n Deadline of the ITF World Tennis Tour Juniors tournament.

Any such player who is still competing in the Grand Slam tournament at this deadline must withdraw from the relevant ITF World Tour Juniors tournament. It is the player's responsibility to withdraw from the tournament.

# 47. Sign-in/Registration

## a) Qualifying

Each player (except for Wild Cards who are in contact with the ITF Supervisor) must sign-in to the ITF World Tennis Tour Juniors tournament by one of the following sign-in methods:

- 1) Sign-in personally on site with the ITF Supervisor (or by telephone sign-in if stated in the tournament fact sheet) within the sign-in window of 3.00 p.m. (1500 hours) until 6.00 p.m. (1800 hours) local time the day before the start of play in the Qualifying competition (unless a different sign-in-window is stated in the tournament fact sheet); or
- 2) **Only** if provided by the tournament, eSign-in via the tournament's online payment system by 5.00 p.m. (1700 hours) local time the day before the start of play in the Qualifying competition. eSign-in will open no earlier than 24 hours before this deadline and is only available to players who have paid their entry fee.

## b) Main Draw

#### i) Singles

There will be no sign-in requirement for players accepted directly into the Main Draw at Grand Slam, Grade A or Grade 1 or B1 tournaments. However, players should arrive the day before, ready to play on the first day of the competition.

For all other tournaments each player (with the exception of Wild Cards who are in contact with the ITF Supervisor) must sign-in by one of the following sign-in methods:

Sign-in personally on site with the ITF Supervisor (or by telephone sign-in if stated in the tournament fact sheet) within the sign-in window of 3.00 p.m. (1500 hours) until 6.00 p.m. (1800 hours) local time the day before the start of play in the Qualifying competition (unless a different sign-in-window is stated in the tournament fact sheet););



2) **Only** if provided by the tournament, eSign-in via the online tournament entry payment system by 5.00 p.m. (1700 hours) local time the day before the start of the Main Draw. eSign-in will open no earlier than 24 hours before this deadline and is only available to players who have paid their entry fee.

## **60. Entry Fees**

One entry fee (covering singles and doubles) shall be reasonable and shall not exceed:

Grade & Hospitality Tier	Maximum Entry Fee per player
Outdoor Grade A, 1, 2, 3 or 4&5	\$100 (USD) or equivalent per player
with Tier 1 full hospitality	
Outdoor Grade 2, 3, 4, 5	\$70 (USD) or equivalent per player
with Tier 2 or Tier 3 reduced hospitality)	
Outdoor Grade 4 and 5	\$55 (USD) or equivalent per player
(without hospitality)	
Indoor Grade A, 1, 2, 3	\$110 (USD) or equivalent per player
(4 and 5 with full hospitality)	
Indoor Grade 2,3,4,5	\$80 (USD) or equivalent per player
with Tier 2/Tier 3 reduced hospitality	
Indoor Grade 4 and 5	\$65 (USD) or equivalent per player
without full hospitality	

Any Grade 4 or Grade 5 tournaments charging a combined entry/hospitality fee must reduce the amount of the fee in accordance with this rule if a player elects to make his/her own hospitality arrangements.

## 65. Television, Recording and Radio Rights

ITF is the exclusive owner of all "audio" and "audio-visual" media rights to the Event including but without limitation to all forms of television, internet, mobile, radio and other electronic media.

## (a) Traditional Television Broadcast

ITF hereby agrees to assign to the Host Organiser the exclusive right to appoint and enter into any contracts with Host Broadcasters to produce and broadcast coverage of the Event taking place during the term of the Agreement by means of Traditional Broadcast Television and Traditional over the air radio within the Host Territory, provided that the Host Organiser will procure a full assignment of copyright and other IP rights in any coverage to ITF (including but not limited to "archive rights").

Any revenues generated by the Host Organiser from such contracts will be for the sole benefit of the Host Organiser.

The Host Organiser will make best efforts to negotiate with the Host Television Broadcaster to provide the ITF, free of charge, with recordings of all matches at the Event in such format as requested by ITF. In the event a charge is incurred, subject to acceptance of the same by the ITF, this will be paid by the ITF.

#### (b) Live Streaming

Except for the rights granted directly below, the <u>National Association</u> does not have any rights to carry out or authorise <u>Live Streaming of a tournament</u>.

The National Association may conduct and/or authorise third parties to conduct Live Streaming of the tournament in its domestic territory subject to the following conditions:



- (a) the prior written approval of the ITF in its sole discretion;
- (b) such Live Streaming not being transmitted or made available with a less than 30 second delay between the action taking place at the Tournament and the Live Streaming being available to viewers;
- (c) <u>such Live Streaming being satisfactorily geoblocked to within the domestic territory of the Tournament;</u>
- (d) <u>such Live Streaming not being made available for gambling or betting purposes, or in any way</u> associated with gambling or betting;
- (e) the Live Stream being available to the ITF free of charge and in a timely manner on request for publication on its own digital channels; and
- (f) the National Association granting, or procuring that the producer of the Live Stream grants, all copyright in the Live Stream to the ITF at the conclusion of the tournament.

For the purposes of this provision, "Live Streaming" means the transmission and/or making available of coverage from a tournament through a live audio-visual signal by means of the internet, mobile wireless technology or mobile broadcast technology or any similar or derivative technologies.

## **67. Anti-Doping services**

<u>To facilitate testing under the ITF Tennis Anti-Doping Programme, all ITF World Tennis Tour Junior Tournaments must provide on request, and at their own cost:</u>

- (a) A Doping Control Station that, at a minimum, satisfies the requirements of the prevailing version of the WADA International Standard for Testing and Investigations; and
- (b) Sufficient chaperones to notify players selected for anti-doping sample collection, accompany and observe such players until their arrival at the Doping Control Station, and witness provision of those players' samples as necessary.

## Article II. B

#### 3. Playing Another Event/One Tournament per Week

- b) No player who has played in the Qualifying or Main Draw of an ITF World Tennis Tour Juniors tournament shall play in any other tennis event, <u>including national and regional tournaments</u>, during the period of such tournament, except in the following circumstances:
  - i) A player may represent his/her country in an ITF Team Competition in the same week as he/she has competed in an ITF World Tennis Tour Juniors tournament, provided the player has already lost in the ITF World Tennis Tour Juniors tournament.
  - ii) A player eliminated from all events (Singles and Doubles) at the ITF World Tennis Tour Juniors Tournament is permitted to play in another national or regional tournament in the same tournament week provided written approval, via the player release form, is obtained by the ITF Supervisor.
  - iii) A player eliminated from all events (Singles and Doubles) at the ITF World Tennis Tour Juniors Tournament is permitted to receive a wild card and play in an ITF World Tennis Tour Tournament in the same tournament week.
  - iv) A player eliminated from all events (Singles and Doubles) at an ITF World Tennis Tour Men's or Women's Tournament is permitted to receive a wild card and play in an ITF World Tennis Tour Juniors Tournament in the same tournament week.



v) <u>A player may play in the doubles event at a professional Grand Slam tournament and the singles event only of an ITF World Tennis Tour Juniors tournament provided they are in compliance with Regulation 42a).</u>

**ARTICLE III: ON-SITE OFFENCES** 

#### **C. DRESS AND EQUIPMENT**

#### 2. Identification

No identification shall be permitted on a player's clothing, products or equipment on court before, during or after a match or at any press conference or tournament ceremony, except as follows:

## a. Boys ITF World Tennis Tour Juniors

#### 1. Shirt, Sweater or Jacket

- i. Sleeves. Two (2) positions for commercial (i.e. non-manufacturer's) or manufacturer's identification for each sleeve shall be permitted, neither of which exceeds six (6) square inches (39 sq.cm). Maximum of two (2) identifications may be placed within each six (6) square inch position. Identifications may contain writing.
- ii. Sleeveless. Two (2) positions for the manufacturer's or commercial (i.e. non-manufacturer's) identification for the front or collar of the shirt shall be permitted, neither of which exceeds six (6) square inches (39 sq.cm). If no more than one (1) identification is placed on the front or collar of the shirt, then one (1) manufacturer identification may be placed on the back of the shirt, not to exceed four (4) square inches (26 sq. cm). Identifications may contain writing.
- iii. Front, Back and Collar. Two (2) positions for the manufacturer's or commercial (i.e. non-manufacturer's) identifications for any location on the front or on the collar shall be permitted, neither of which exceeds six (6) square inches (39 sq.cm). Alternatively, one (1) manufacturer's or commercial identification which may not exceed six (6) square inches (39 sq.cm) may be placed on the front or collar and then an additional manufacturer's identification, not to exceed four (4) square inches (26 sq.cm), may be placed on the back. Identifications may contain writing. These shall be in addition to the positions permitted for either a sleeved or sleeveless shirt, sweater or jacket.
- **Other.** Identification of the clothing manufacturer, without the name of the manufacturer or any other writing, may be placed once or repeatedly within an area not to exceed twelve (12) square inches (77.5 sq.cm) in one of the following positions:
  - a. On each of the shirt sleeves (if a manufacturer's identification is not on the sleeves pursuant to the section i. above); or
  - b. On the outer seams (sides of torso) of the shirt.

#### 2. Shorts

Two (2) manufacturer's identifications, neither of which exceeds two (2) square inches (13 sq.cm), may be placed on the front or back of the shorts; or two (2) manufacturer's identification neither of which exceeds four (4) square inches (26 sq.cm), may be placed as follows: one (1) identification on the front and one (1) identification on the back of the shorts. Identifications may contain writing.



On compression shorts and/or compression sleeves, two (2) manufacturer's identifications not to exceed two (2) square inches (13 sq.cm) or one (1) manufacturer's identification not to exceed four (4) square inches (26 sq.cm) are permitted in any location. These shall be in addition to the manufacturer's identifications permitted on shorts.

## 3. Socks/Shoes

Manufacturer's identifications on each sock and on each shoe shall be permitted.

#### 4. Racquet

Manufacturer's identifications on racquet and strings shall be permitted.

## 5. Hat, Headband, Wristband and Face Covering

One (1) manufacturer's identification and/or one (1) commercial identification, neither of which exceeds four (4) square inches (26 sq.cm), shall be permitted on hats and headbands. The commercial identification must be located on the side of the garment and worn so that it is positioned on the side of the head.

One (1) manufacturer's identification not to exceed four (4) square inches (26 sq.cm) will be permitted on wristbands or face covering.

## 6. <u>Bags, Towels, Other Equipment or Paraphernalia</u>

Tennis Equipment Manufacturer's identifications shall be permitted on each item plus two (2) separate commercial identifications on one (1) bag, neither of which exceeds six (6) square inches (39sq.cm).

## b. Girls ITF World Tennis Tour Juniors

#### 1. Shirt, Sweater or Jacket

- i. Sleeves. One (1) commercial (non-manufacturer's) identification for each sleeve shall be permitted, neither of which exceeds four (4) square inches (26 sq.cm), plus one (1) manufacturer's identification on each sleeve, neither of which exceeds four (4) square inches (26 sq.cm). Identifications may contain writing.
- *ii.* <u>Sleeveless.</u> The two (2) commercial (non-manufacturer's) identifications permitted on the sleeves above may be placed on the front of the garment. Identifications may contain writing.
- iii. Front, Back and Collar. Total of two (2) manufacturer's identifications, neither of which exceeds two (2) square inches (13 sq.cm) or one (1) manufacturer's identification, which does not exceed four (4) square inches (26 sq.cm), may be placed in any of these three locations. Identifications may contain writing. These shall be in addition to the positions permitted for either a sleeved or sleeveless shirt, sweater or jacket.
- iv. Other. Identification of the clothing manufacturer, without the name of the manufacturer or any other writing, may be placed once or repeatedly within an area not to exceed twelve (12) square inches (77.5 sq.cm) in one of the following positions:
  - c. On each of the shirt sleeves (if a manufacturer's identification is not on the sleeves pursuant to the section i. above); or



## d. On the outer seams (sides of torso) of the shirt

## 2. Shorts / Skirts / Compression Shorts / Leggings

On short and skirts, two (2) manufacturer's identifications shall be permitted, neither of which exceeds two (2) square inches (13 sq.cm), or alternatively one (1) manufacturer's identification which does not exceed four (4) square inches (26 sq.cm).

On leggings or mid-thigh compression shorts, worn with a skirt or shorts, one (1) manufacturer's identification shall be permitted, not to exceed two (2) square inches (13 sq.cm) and which shall be in addition to the manufacturer's identifications on shorts/skirts.

On leggings or mid-thigh compression shorts (worn without a skirt or shorts) up to two (2) manufacturer's identifications shall be permitted, neither of which exceeds two (2) square inches (13 sq.cm), or alternatively one (1) manufacturer's identification which does not exceed four (4) square inches (26 sq.cm).

Identifications may contain writing.

Note: A dress for the purposes of permissible identification shall be treated as a combination of a skirt and a shirt (dividing dress at waist).

# 3. Socks / Shoes

Manufacturer's identifications on each sock and on each shoe shall be permitted. The identifications on the sock(s) on each foot shall be limited to a maximum of two (2) square inches (13 sq.cm). Identifications may contain writing.

## 4. Racquet

Manufacturer's identifications on racquet and strings shall be permitted.

## 5. Hat, Headband, Wristband and Face Covering

One (1) manufacturer's identification not to exceed three (3) square inches (19.5 sq.cm) shall be permitted on wristbands or face covering.

For hats and headbands, one (1) manufacturer's identification is permitted on the front and one (1) commercial (non-manufacturer's) identification on the side, neither of which to exceed three (3) square inches (19.5 sq.cm). Identifications may contain writing.

## 6. <u>Bags, Other Equipment or Paraphernalia</u>

Tennis Equipment Manufacturer's identifications on each item plus two (2) separate commercial identifications on one (1) bag, neither of which exceeds four (4) square inches (26 sq.cm) shall be permitted.



## **Appendix O**

#### ENTRY INTO ITF WORLD TENNIS TOUR 15s TOURNAMENTS USING JUNIOR RANKING

Entered players with an approved ITF Combined Junior Ranking of 1-100 shall be selected for a maximum of three (3) Main Draw places at each ITF World Tennis Tour 15s tournament. A Top 100 ITF Combined Junior Ranking can be achieved in two ways:

- i) Current ITF Combined Junior ranking
   In accordance with the player's position on the approved ITF Combined Junior
   Ranking list available on the Entry Deadline and dated twenty-one (21) days prior to
   the Monday of the Tournament Week;
- ii) "Carry-over" ITF Junior ranking
  In addition, players born in 2003 may carry over their 20 December 2021 ITF
  Combined Junior ranking for the purposes of entering \$15,000 Tournaments until
  they turn 19 years of age. The Monday of each week determines the player's age for
  that week. Thus, a player who is 18 on Monday but turns 19 on Tuesday would be
  eligible to use their ITF Combined Junior Ranking for that week but would no longer
  be able to use their ITF Combined Junior Ranking the following week. If two players
  share the same ranking (one with a current ranking, the other with a carry-over
  ranking), then the player with the current ITF Ranking will be ordered before the
  player holding the carry-over ranking on the System of Merit.