



National Junior Teams Event Selection Policy

Tennis Auckland

1. THE PURPOSE OF THIS SELECTION POLICY

This policy outlines Tennis Auckland's selection process for the National Junior Teams Event.

2. APPLICATION OF THIS SELECTION POLICY

2.1. This policy shall take effect from 1st January 2026.

3. SELECTION PANEL

3.1. One panel of two persons will be appointed to select players from each appropriate region.

3.2. The Selection Panel will be appointed by Tennis Auckland and approved by the relevant CEO.

3.3. The Regional Performance Manager may, at their sole discretion, direct any member of the Selection Panel to step aside for any period deemed appropriate if the selector has an association with a player that could give rise to a perceived or actual bias or conflict of interest in the selection process.

3.4. Tennis Auckland Region have endeavored to make selection as transparent as possible, only in extreme circumstances will the panel sit to make a decision on player selection. Where possible selection will be automatic based on the criteria outlined in Fig. 5.

4. ELIGIBILITY FOR SELECTION

4.1 To be eligible for selection under this policy, all players must meet the following criteria:

(a) Players must meet the criteria as set by Tennis New Zealand for this competition.

5. CRITERIA FOR NATIONAL JUNIOR TEAMS EVENT SELECTION

5.1. The Selection Panel will consider the following factors in selecting players for the National Junior Teams Event:

(a)

(i) ITF Ranking Top 1000

(ii) Tennis New Zealand Match Point (WTN) Ranking (most recent and relevant at time of selection meeting)

(b) Where ITF Rankings do not apply, selection will be based predominantly on Tennis New Zealand Match Point (WTN) Rankings (unless in exceptional circumstances).

(c) Where Match Point (WTN) Rankings are tied or close head-to-head, individual event results and doubles rankings are considered.

5.2. The Selection Panel may consider other matters which it considers relevant to its selection decision under this policy.

5.3. The Selection Panel may decide in its absolute discretion to take account of any exceptional circumstances which have resulted in a player's performance being adversely affected. The existence of exceptional circumstances will be for the selectors to determine. Exceptional circumstances will usually relate to international performances or injury which has significantly affected the player's ranking.

5.4. The various factors set out in clauses 5.1 to 5.4. will be considered by the selection panel using their experience and expertise in selecting individuals to form a team which, in their opinion, best fulfils the aim of achieving the objectives for that team.

6. NOTIFICATION OF SELECTION AND ACCEPTANCE

- 6.1 Players shall be notified by Tennis Auckland whether they have been selected as soon as practicable to enable the most up to date Match Point Rankings to become affective after relevant regional/national events.
- 6.2 Registration with Tennis New Zealand is required within the timelines specified in the selection email. Failure to do so could result in the position being filled by another selected player.
- 6.3 All selected players must register and pay an entry fee directly to Tennis New Zealand.
- 6.4 Any public announcement of any selections will be made by Tennis Auckland.

7. REMOVAL/WITHDRAWAL FROM SELECTION

- 7.1. If a player is selected to a National Junior Teams Event team under this policy the player acknowledges and agrees that:
 - (a) He or she must maintain a designated level of fitness and standard of competitiveness prior to the tournament for which he/she has been selected as set out in the Agreement.
- 7.2. A selected player may be withdrawn from the Team by the Selection Panel and/or the Regional Performance Manger if he/she:
 - (a) Breaches any of the provisions of 7.1;
 - (b) Breaches or fails to comply with any other applicable official policies or regulations of the event.
 - (c) Brings the Team, another selected player, an official, Tennis Auckland, Tennis NZ or the sport of tennis into disrepute.
 - (d) Has an illness, injury or medical condition which in the selection panel's opinion prevents the player from continuing to meet the criteria for selection.
- 7.3 Before withdrawing a player under clause 7, Tennis Auckland shall notify the player in writing of the alleged breach or grounds for the withdrawal.
- 7.4 A selected player may withdraw from selection by giving notice in writing to the Regional Performance Manager; giving a valid reason as soon as practical once the situation causing the withdrawal arises.
- 7.5 If a selected player is withdrawn from selection, the Selection Panel may consider another player who, in the selection panel's opinion, meets the criteria set out in this regulation.

8. APPEALS

- 8.1 Selection Panel decisions are final. The Selection Panel is not required to justify a selection or non-selection.