

ITF JUNIOR CIRCUIT REGULATIONS



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I. THE COMPETITION

1. Title

The Competition, an international junior singles and doubles competition, shall be called the "ITF Junior Circuit".

2. Mission Statement

The ITF Junior Circuit is comprised of the best international junior tournaments staged by its member nations worldwide. National Associations are responsible for proposing the best national tournaments for inclusion in the Circuit, subject to the final approval of the ITF Juniors Committee who govern the geographical distribution and grading of Circuit tournaments.

The ITF Junior Circuit provides a platform for the most successful junior players at national level to measure their standard against the best players from other nations and by reference to the ITF Junior World Ranking, which determines the ITF Junior World Champions at the end of each year.

3. ITF Junior Circuit Main Calendar Principles

The ITF Junior Circuit calendar aims to give junior players the opportunity to compete and earn ranking points up to the highest levels of the junior game. The following main principles govern the calendar:

- -At least one tournament in every ITF member nation;
- Pyramid shaped region-by-region calendar from grade A to 5 with fewer tournaments at the top;
- Pyramid shaped calendar world-wide with fewer tournaments at the top;
- Geographical distribution by grade, country and region;
- Maximum number of tournaments per country and overall number of tournaments world-wide linked to the mission of the Circuit;
- Boys' and girls' tournaments always together at the same venue;
- No calendar off season to ensure main school holiday period in different parts of the world is used by junior players to compete in their region;
- Maximum number of tournaments in one week in each region;
- Free hospitality for players and official coaches at Circuit tournaments;
- Closed regional and inter-regional championships;
- No two Grade 1 tournaments in the same week in the same continent.

4. Ownership

The Competition shall be owned and managed by ITF Limited, hereinafter referred to as the "ITF". The ITF promulgates these Tournament Regulations for the purpose of providing fair and reasonable rules for the orderly and uniform conduct of international junior tennis tournaments sanctioned by the ITF. All references to the International Tennis Federation or ITF in these Regulations shall mean ITF Limited. These Regulations shall be applicable to the junior tournaments known as the ITF Junior

Circuit. Ownership shall include, but not be limited to, the following national and international rights: registered trademarks of the ITF; commercial exploitation of the Competition; international sponsorship of the Competition; television, radio, film and video recordings, plus new media and internet coverage.

5. Players Eligible

Only boys and girls who are under the jurisdiction of a national tennis association affiliated to the ITF and who are born between 1st January 1998 and 31st December 2003 may compete in any of the tournaments that comprise the 2016 ITF Junior Circuit. They must be in "good standing" with their national association as defined in Appendix M of the ITF Junior Circuit Regulations. Players may not participate in any ITF Junior Circuit tournament unless they have reached their thirteenth (13) birthday before the start of the main draw. In accordance with the ITF Junior Age Eligibility Rules set out in Appendix G, players are limited in the number of tournaments in which they are permitted to participate in a calendar year according to their age.

6. Rules to be Observed

- a) The Competition is open to all tennis players based on merit and without discrimination subject only to the conditions herein set forth.
- b) The Competition shall take place in accordance with these Regulations, the Junior Circuit Code of Conduct, the Constitution of ITF Limited 2016 and the ITF Rules of Tennis.
- In submitting an application, a tournament automatically undertakes to abide by and fulfill all its obligations under the Regulations.
- d) ITF reserves the right to refuse approval of or cancel any previously sanctioned tournament or series of tournaments on the grounds of health, safety, security or any other potential threat to any persons attending the tournament(s) or to the successful running of the tournament(s), with no liability to the Applicant, National Association, Tournament Organiser or ITF.
- e) In submitting an entry to a tournament sanctioned by the ITF as a constituent tournament of the Circuit, a player automatically undertakes to commit him/herself to abide by and be bound by the Regulations. It is the responsibility of the ITF Referee on site to enforce these Regulations on behalf of the ITF.
- f) Any player that enters and/or participates in the ITF Junior Circuit, and any Player Support Team Member of any player that enters and/or participates in the ITF Junior Circuit shall be bound by and shall comply with the provisions of the Welfare Policy set out in Appendix F.

7. International Player Identification Number (IPIN)

In order to enter ITF Junior Circuit tournaments all players must first register for annual Junior IPIN Membership (and pay the appropriate fee) and agree, as a condition of their registration, to accept the related terms and conditions. Failure to register for IPIN Membership and to accept the related terms and conditions will render a player ineligible to enter and/or compete in ITF Junior Circuit tournaments.

8. Final Rankings

The final rankings, issued at the end of each calendar year, shall be compiled on the basis of points earned for success in major individual and team events played on both a round-robin and knockout basis. Trophies will be awarded to the winners of the two competitions.

The top ten (10) ranked junior girls according to the final year-end rankings will each be awarded a junior exempt position in the Main Draw of three (3) selected ITF Women's Circuit tournaments, up to and including the \$100,000 prize-money level, according to the following criteria:

The year-end number 1 ranked girl will be offered direct entry into the Main Draw at one (1) ITF Women's Circuit tournament up to and including \$100,000 prize money level and two (2) ITF Women's Circuit tournaments up to and including \$75,000 prize money level.

The year-end number 2 ranked girl will be offered direct entry into the Main Draw at two (2) ITF Women's Circuit tournaments up to and including \$75,000 prize money level and direct entry into the Main Draw at one (1) ITF Women's Circuit tournament up to and including \$50,000 prize-money level.

The year-end number 3-5 ranked girls will be offered direct entry into the Main Draw at two (2) ITF Women's Circuit tournaments up to and including \$50,000 prize money level and direct entry into the Main Draw at one (1) ITF Women's Circuit tournament up to and including \$25,000 prize money level.

The year-end number 6-10 ranked girls will be offered direct entry into the Main Draw at three (3) ITF Women's Circuit tournaments up to and including \$25,000 prize money level

Should any girl(s) ranked 1-10 not wish to participate in the Junior Exempt Project, their three junior exempt places can be awarded to the next highest year-end ranked player(s) ranked 11-15. Such player(s) will be offered direct entry into the Main Draw at three (3) ITF Women's Circuit tournaments up to and including \$25,000 prize-money level.

The top ten (10) ranked junior boys according to the final year-end rankings will each be awarded a junior exempt position in the Main Draw of three (3) selected ITF Men's Circuit tournaments, up to and including the \$25,000+H prize-money level, according to the following criteria:

The year-end number 1-2 ranked boys will be offered direct entry into the Main Draw at three (3) ITF Men's Circuit tournaments up to and including \$25,000+H prize-money level.

The year-end number 3-5 ranked boys will be offered direct entry into the Main Draw at three (3) ITF Men's Circuit tournaments up to and including \$25,000 prize-money level.

The year-end number 6-10 ranked boys will be offered direct entry into the Main Draw at three (3) ITF Men's Circuit tournaments at \$10,000 prize-money level.

Should any boy(s) ranked 1-10 not wish to participate in the Junior Exempt Project, their three (3) junior exempt places will be awarded to the next highest year-end ranked player(s) ranked 11-15. Such player(s) will be offered direct entry into the Main Draw at three (3) ITF Men's Circuit tournaments at \$10,000 prize-money level.

II. MANAGEMENT

9. Board of Directors

a) Management

The ITF Junior Circuit shall be managed by the Board of Directors of the ITF.

b) Duties

The duties of the Board of Directors shall be:

- To approve, adopt and amend the Rules and Regulations and Code of Conduct for the Circuit.
- To register in the name of the ITF any trade marks in connection with the Circuit and to protect such trademarks.
- iii) The Board of Directors shall appoint every two years a Juniors Committee, which shall consist of a Chairman, who shall be a member of the Board of Directors, and further members as deemed necessary.

10. Juniors Committee

The duties and powers of the Juniors Committee shall be:

- a) To manage the day to day administration of the Circuit.
- b) To ensure uniform application of, and compliance with, the Rules, Regulations and Code of Conduct.
- c) To administer the funds of the Circuit within the financial framework of the ITF
- d) To report to the Board of Directors on all financial matters.
- e) To undertake other duties as laid down in these Regulations.
- f) To submit regular reports to the Board of Directors.
- g) To decide any appeals or disputes in whatever manner they deem to be appropriate and whose decision shall be final and binding on all parties.

III. RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE CIRCUIT

11. Combined Junior Ranking

The six best singles results plus one quarter (1/4) of the six best doubles results in junior tournaments obtained in Grade A (Super Series), Grade B (Continental Championships), Grade C (International Team Competition) and Grades 1-5 plus Grade A bonus points and Grand Slam bonus points will be taken into consideration for the final ranking.

12. If two or more players receive the same number of points, their ranking will follow the number of points, within their six best singles results, scored in Grade A tournaments including bonus points. If two or more are still equal, players will be ranked based on the grade of tournament where points have been won in singles, in the following order: Grade B1, Grade 1, Grade B2, Grade 2, Grade B3, Grade 3, Grade 4, Grade 5 excluding Grade C (International Team Competition).

If two or more players are still equal their ranking will follow the number of points, within their six best doubles results, scored in Grade A tournaments, including bonus points. If two or more are still equal, players will be ranked based on the grade of tournament where points have been won in doubles, in the following order: Grade B1, Grade 1, Grade B2, Grade 2, Grade B3, Grade 3, Grade 4, Grade 5, excluding Grade C (International Team Competition).

- 13. To be ranked a player must reach a round where points are available (see points table, page 9). The number of points available in each round will vary dependent upon the grading of the tournament and the round reached. Ranking points for any relevant tournament will not be awarded to any player in breach of the ITF Junior Age Eligibility Rule.
- 14. The official published rankings will be calculated on a 52 week rollover system.
- 15. To be eligible for a year-end ranking a junior must have played in a minimum of six individual junior singles tournaments, including at least three Grade A (Super Series) tournaments and including at least three ranking tournaments outside his/her own country. Each Grade A (Super Series) tournament won will count as two tournaments played. Each Grade A (Super Series) tournament won will further count as one foreign tournament played.

16. Tournament Application and Approval

Applications for inclusion in the Circuit, giving full details of the tournament, are to be sent to the ITF, in accordance with the following deadlines:

- a) Applications from both existing and new tournaments to be held from January to June must be received by 30th June of the previous year. Applications from both existing and new tournaments to be held from July to December must be received by 31st October of the previous year. Applications for upgrades must also be made by these deadlines.
- **b)** With the exception of the Youth Olympic Games Tennis event, Regional Championships and any other event sanctioned by the ITF, only tournaments organised by a National Association, or sanctioned by the National Association concerned, will be considered for inclusion.
- c) Applications for tournaments to be held during the same week and at the same venue as a professional tour event will only be considered for inclusion if the tour event is owned and run by the relevant National Association.
- 17. The fact that a tournament is included in a series or group of tournaments does not automatically entitle the tournament to be part of the Circuit, even though other tournaments of the same series have been accepted.
- **18.** A tournament which begins in late December and ends in January can either be the first tournament of the Circuit, or the last, at the discretion of the Juniors Committee.
- 19. If a tournament is included in the calendar and subsequently withdraws within ten (10) weeks of the scheduled first day of play, that tournament shall be subject to the Tournament Offences provisions as set out in Article VII of the Code of Conduct. This tournament must still pay the full amount of the sanction fee, as outlined in Rule 21 below.

20. Public Liability Insurance

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. "ITF Ltd" and "ITF Licensing (UK) Ltd" must be named in the policy and on the certificate of insurance, and a copy should be provided to the ITF on request.

21. Sanction Fees

All tournaments on the ITF Junior Circuit must pay the relevant fee below in order to be included on the Calendar.

Grade A	\$695
Grade B1	\$625
Grade 1	\$560
Grade B2	\$480
Grade 2	\$415

Grade B3	\$345
Grade 3	\$280
Grade 4	\$210
Grade 5	\$145

22. Tournament Responsibilities

All tournaments must be played in accordance with these Regulations, the Junior Circuit Code of Conduct, the Constitution of ITF Limited 2016 and the ITF Rules of Tennis.

- **23.** If required, tournaments shall assign to the ITF, free of charge, one (1) page in the Official Tournament Programme for an ITF editorial or advertisement.
- **24.** Tournaments shall display an ITF Junior Circuit banner on their main court. This banner shall be provided free of charge by the ITF. The tournament report shall include a photograph of the banner in place.
- 25. Tournaments shall have internet access on site for the use of the ITF Referee.

26. The Tournament Director shall:

- a) Ten (10) weeks prior to the tournament send to the ITF a copy of the tournament fact sheet for approval. This shall not be changed once published.
- b) Following the conclusion of the tournament send to the ITF the tournament report form.
- c) Following the conclusion of the tournament send to the National Association of the host country all money collected from on-site IPIN cash payments.

The ITF Referee is responsible for:

- a) Using Tournament Planner software before and during the tournament.
- b) Ensuring that all players' passports are checked for date of birth and nationality and that any discrepancies with the information provided in Tournament Planner are reported to the ITF.
- c) Notifying the ITF (through Tournament Planner reports) of all money collected in on-site IPIN cash payments.
- d) Uploading results daily using the Tournament Planner software.
- e) On conclusion of the tournament sending to the ITF the ITF Referee's Report form, 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 competitors' notice board, and shall be updated on a daily basis.

27. Research

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

28. Any tournament not complying with the ITF Junior Circuit Regulations 2016 will be subject to the determination and penalty procedures as set out in the ITF Junior Circuit Code of Conduct, under Article VII: Tournament Offences.

29. ITF Responsibilities

The ITF is responsible for the overall administration of the Circuit and costs involved, and shall do its utmost to ensure that the calendar is widely publicised.

30. The ITF shall process results from all tournaments on the Circuit and shall issue on a weekly basis the latest world ranking points accumulated by competitors. These shall be published on the ITF Juniors website: www.itftennis.com/juniors.

31. National Association Responsibilities

National Associations shall ensure that the tournaments they sanction for inclusion in the ITF Junior Circuit maintain appropriately high standards of organisation and administration.

32. Grades and Allocation of Points

Tournaments shall be classified into grades, based mainly on a computer evaluation of previous tournaments while maintaining a geographical balance, with ranking points as set out below. Please refer to Appendices A, B and C for special regulations for tournament Grades A, B and C. The Youth Olympic Games tennis event organised every four years shall be classified as a Grade A tournament.

33. No points will be awarded to a player until he/she has played and won a round. Advancement through a bye or walkover in the first match will not be equivalent to winning a round. Advancement by virtue of retirement following the commencement of a match will be equivalent to winning a round. When a player has played and won a match, subsequent walkovers will not affect points won. An abandoned tournament counts as a tournament played if the player had not withdrawn before the decision to abandon was taken.

Any player who leaves a tournament prior to his/her elimination from all entered events, or retires from a tournament for medical reasons, without a valid medical certificate (from the tournament doctor), will forfeit all ranking points won in all events at that tournament and be subject to the penalties set forth in the Code of Conduct.

If the singles or doubles event of a tournament is cancelled, e.g. due to poor weather, before the tournament is concluded, loser points for the round achieved will be awarded to players. If a tournament is officially terminated and the final(s) have not been completed, the finalists will each receive runner-up points.

POINTS TABLE (Tournaments & Continental Championships) Singles

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	A	1	2	3	4	5	B1	B2	B3
Winner	250	150	100	60	40	30	180	120	80
Runner-up	180	100	75	45	30	20	120	80	50
Semi-Finalists	120	80	50	30	20	15	80	60	30
Quarter-Finalists	80	60	30	20	15	10	60	40	15
Losers in last 16	50	30	20	15	10	5	30	25	5
Losers in last 32	30	20	10	7.5	-	-	20	10	-
Doubles (Each Player)									
	A	1	2	3	4	5	B 1	B2	B3
Winners	180	100	75	50	30	20	120	80	50
Runners-up	120	75	50	30	20	15	80	60	30
Semi-Finalists	80	50	30	20	15	10	60	40	15
Quarter-Finalists	50	30	20	15	10	5	30	25	5
Losers in last 16	30	20	10	7.5	_	_	20	10	_
	50		10	7.0			20	10	

GRADE A SUPER SERIES BONUS POINTS

	Singles	Doubles
Winner of 3 or more Grade A Events	250	180
(in a calendar year)		

GRAND SLAM & GRADE A BONUS POINTS

GRAND SLAM

Round	Singles	Doubles
Winner	125	90
Runner-up	90	60
Semi-finalists	60	40
Quarter-finalists	40	25
Losers in last 16	25	15
Losers in last 32	-	-

GRADE A

Youth Olympic Games, Italian Open & Orange Bowl

Round	Singles	Doubles
Winner	62.5	45
Runner-up	45	30
Semi-finalists	30	20
Quarter-finalists	20	12.5
Losers in last 16	12.5	7.5
Losers in last 32	-	_

Qualifiers losing in the first round of the main draw will receive 25 ranking points. Players losing in the final round of qualifying will receive 20 ranking points.

GRADE C - TEAM COMPETITIONS

	No. 1 Singles	No. 2 Singles	Doubles Win
	Player Win	Player Win	Each Player
Final	80	60	60
Semi-Final	60	40	40
Quarter-Final	40	20	20

Points are to be given to a player for one result only (their best) in the competition. Only players from the best 8 teams will be considered for the allocation of World Ranking points.

IV. TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS

The following Regulations apply to all tournaments Grades 1 to 5 and, with some exceptions, to Grade A tournaments. These exceptions are given in Appendix A, together with additional clauses. (See Regulations marked *). Exceptions relating to the Youth Olympic Games will be addressed directly with the participating nations. Special Regulations for Regional Championships (Grade B) and International Team Competitions (Grade C) are given in Appendices B and C.

34. Variations to Regulations

If a tournament committee wishes to vary any of the following Regulations, written application shall be made to the ITF office, giving full reasons for the request. Such application must be received not later than ten (10) weeks before the first scheduled day of play in the tournament.

35. Age of Competitors

Only boys and girls born between 1st January 1998 and 31st December 2003 may compete in any of the tournaments that comprise the 2016 ITF Junior Circuit. However, players may not participate in any ITF Junior Tournament unless they have reached their thirteenth (13) birthday before the start of the Main Draw.

36. A player competing in a tournament must submit his/her passport/photo identification for scrutiny by the ITF Referee, who shall return it as soon as possible.

37. Number of Events

The following events shall be held:

Boys' and Girls' Singles, Boys' and Girls' Doubles.

38*. Match Format

Each singles match shall be the best of three Tie-Break sets, unless otherwise approved by the ITF. No rest shall be allowed after the second set.

Each doubles match shall be two Tie-Break sets and a Match Tie-Break (10 point) in place of a third set. No-Ad scoring shall be used.

In case of severe weather conditions the tournament committee may use alternative scoring methods as approved in the 2016 Rules of Tennis (available at www.itftennis.com).

39. Entries and Draws

Grade A, 1 - 5 tournaments shall be open to competitors from all countries.

40*. Tournaments shall have the following minimum number of competitors in each singles event main draw:

Grade	Boys'	Girls'
A	64	64
1	48	48
2	32	32
3	32	32
4	32	16
5	16	16

In all cases the minimum number of teams in the doubles main draw shall be half the number in the singles.

Pre-qualifying draws should not be held. However, if held under the sanctioning of the relevant National Association, pre-qualifying draws are permitted for national players only to determine Wild Cards for the Qualifying event.

Tournament Committees must ensure that the number of competitors in the Main Draw corresponds with their published draw sizes approved by the ITF.

41. Minimum duration and tournament week

The minimum duration of a tournament main draw shall be as follows:

Drawsize	
64	6/7 days
48	6 days
32	5 days
16	4 days

All tournaments must be scheduled to start no later than Wednesday and finish no later than Sunday of the same week.

In special circumstances, tournaments may apply to the ITF for an exemption from this rule.

Singles Qualifying must be scheduled on the appropriate days immediately prior to the first day of the singles Main Draw, unless otherwise approved by the ITF. The maximum duration of a tournament Qualifying event shall be two days.

42. Singles Entry and Withdrawal

i) A player applying for entry shall be deemed to apply for entry into the Main Draw or the Qualifying of the tournament.

A player may apply for entry into no more than three (3) ITF Junior Circuit tournaments in a specific tournament week, in which case he/she must indicate a priority. If no priority is stated, the ITF will assign a priority. A player may not compete in an ITF Junior Circuit tournament if he/she is committed to another ITF Junior Circuit tournament during that period, except as outlined in Article II. 4c Playing Another Event/One Tournament per Week, in the Code of Conduct.

It is the responsibility of each National Association to promptly advise the ITF about any player not in "good standing" with his/her National Association. Please see Appendix M.

See Appendix O for Entry Procedures.

ii) All entries and withdrawals must be submitted online through the official IPIN service or, in exceptional circumstances, by fax on the Official Entry or Withdrawal Form to the ITF. Emails are not accepted, except after the Freeze Deadline when a signed official Withdrawal Form may be submitted as an email attachment.

All entries are subject to the Regulations and Conditions of Entry stated in Appendix O. Faxed entries must be signed by the player and must contain the required information.

The Entry Deadline is at 14:00 hrs Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) on the Tuesday twenty-seven (27) days prior to the Monday of the tournament week.

Grade A tournaments and their warm-up events shall have an entry deadline at 14:00 hrs GMT on the Tuesday either forty-one (41), thirty-four (34) or twenty-seven (27) days prior to the Monday of the tournament week.

Under exceptional circumstances other tournaments (Grades 1-5) may apply to the ITF for an exemption from the 27-day rule.

It is the player's responsibility before entering a Junior Circuit tournament to check the correct entry deadline on the official tournament fact-sheet on the ITF website/IPIN online service. It is also the player's responsibility to check that any online entry made has gone through and that a confirmation email has been received.

- iii) A player can appear on more than one Alternate list and is not committed to play in any one tournament unless he/she moves into a Main Draw or Qualifying Acceptance List prior to the Freeze Deadline, in which case he/she will be removed from all other lists.
- iv) The Withdrawal Deadline is at 14:00 hrs GMT on the Tuesday thirteen (13) days prior to the Monday of the tournament week. This applies to both Main Draw players and players on the Qualifying Acceptance List.

A player who appears on a Main Draw or Qualifying Acceptance List at any time after the Withdrawal Deadline is deemed to have been accepted into and is committed to play the tournament.

A player who appears on one or more Alternate list(s) may withdraw at any time, without penalty, until he/she first moves into a Main Draw or Qualifying Acceptance List, at which time he/she will be automatically withdrawn from all other Acceptance Lists by the ITF.

Any withdrawal from a player accepted into Main Draw or Qualifying that occurs after the Withdrawal Deadline will be considered a Late Withdrawal, unless that player has been nominated to represent his/her country in an official ITF or Regional Association team competition. A player's first three (3) late withdrawal offences within a calendar year will be excused* provided the withdrawal is received by the ITF (and by the ITF Referee, if submitted after the Freeze Deadline) prior to the Sign-in Deadline. It will no longer be necessary to provide a medical certificate in the case of a Late Withdrawal.

(*an excused withdrawal is valid for two consecutive tournament weeks provided the player withdraws, as above, and notifies the ITF about the second week's late withdrawal by the last day of the tournament).

v) 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 List 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 submit an Official Withdrawal Form to both the ITF and ITF Referee by the applicable sign-in deadline, otherwise he/she will be subject to the penalties provided for No Show.

43. Administrative Error on Acceptance Lists

If an administrative error is made on a tournament Acceptance List and a player is not included or too many players are accepted into the tournament, the Acceptance List will be corrected at the earliest opportunity in accordance with the criteria for acceptances.

44. One Tournament per Week

A player may apply for entry into up to three (3) ITF Junior Circuit tournaments for the same week, but he/she must state a priority at the time of entry and he/she will be withdrawn from all except one event in accordance with the entry and withdrawal procedures outlined in Appendix O.

Once a player is committed to an ITF Junior Circuit tournament he/she may not compete in any other ITF Junior Circuit tournament that same week, except in the circumstances as stated in Article II. B.3c Playing Another Event/One Tournament per Week, in the Code of Conduct.

A player who played in the Qualifying of ITF Pro Circuit tournament is allowed to accept a Wild card into Main Draw of ITF Junior Circuit tournament during the same week provided he lost in the tournament prior being offered the Wild Card. In all other circumstances, a player may not compete in an ITF Junior Circuit tournament if he/she has competed in another tennis tournament in the same tournament week.

Once a player has competed in an ITF Junior Circuit tournament he/she may compete in an "Other" tennis tournament (not ITF sanctioned) during the same week, provided that he/she:

a) notifies the ITF Referee of his/her intention to do so before his/her first match;
b) has played and been eliminated from the ITF Junior Circuit tournament; and
c) is released by the ITF Referee after his/her last match in the ITF Junior Circuit tournament to play in the other tournament.

A player who withdraws or retires from either singles or doubles main draw in any round may not participate in any other tournament during the same week.

Violation <u>or attempted violation</u> of this Section shall result in a default by the ITF Referee and forfeiture of all ITF Junior Circuit world ranking points (where applicable).

45. One Tournament per Week - Grand Slam

A player who is entered in an ITF Junior Circuit tournament is also allowed to play 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 Junior Circuit tournament.

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

A player is allowed to play the doubles event at a Grand Slam tournament at the same time as he /she is still competing in the singles event only of the same week's ITF Junior Circuit tournament subject to the approval of both Referees and provided that this does not unfairly affect the scheduling at either event.

46*. Criteria for Acceptances

The criteria for acceptances shall be:

Singles

In determining acceptances of players for the Main Draw and Qualifying, the following acceptance method will be used:

- a) ITF Junior World Ranking of the Monday before the entry deadline. In a situation where two or more players are ranked equally, acceptance order will be drawn by lot.
- b) ATP/WTA rankings of the Monday before the entry deadline Players ranked in the professional game ATP 750 or better or WTA 400 or better will always be accepted at the bottom of the Main Draw Acceptance List. Players ranked in the professional game ATP 751-850 or WTA 401-500 will always be accepted and remain at the bottom of the Qualifying Acceptance List.
- c) For all unranked entered players, the following acceptance method shall be followed firstly for vacancies in the Main Draw, if any, and then for vacancies in the Qualifying Acceptance List and Alternates List:
 - i) -50% of remaining places within the list will go to players from or resident in the country where the tournament is organised according to the national ranking submitted to the ITF by the host National Association. The remaining spots will be filled as follows:
 - ii) Players from, or resident in, other countries within the **Region** where the tournament is organised. The country will be drawn by lot and the top ranked player according to the national ranking who has not already been accepted will be accepted.
 - iii) Players from, or resident in, other countries within the **Zone** where the tournament is organised. The country will be drawn by lot as above. (This will include players from, or resident in, bordering countries which are not in the same region/zone e.g. Azerbaijan/Turkmenistan).
 - iv) Players from or resident outside of the Zone where the tournament is organised. The country will be drawn by lot as above.
 - v) Any remaining players from or resident in the country where the tournament is organized.

Regions: (Asia) (Oceania) (Europe) (Africa) (South America) (Central America) (North America)

Zones: (Asia/Oceania) (Euro/Africa) (The Americas)

- d) On-site Alternates should be accepted according to the ITF junior ranking of the Monday seven (7) days before the tournament week.
- e) Unranked On-site Alternates should be accepted according to the latest national rankings, if available. If national rankings are not available, they should be drawn by lot.

Doubles

Direct Acceptances for Doubles are selected according to the following acceptance method:

Teams consisting of:

- Two players, both of them either Singles Main Draw Direct Acceptances, Special Exempts/16 & Under Exempts or Qualifiers/Lucky Loser (not Wild Cards, see Note 1.)
 - a) Both players ranked, in order of total ranking
 - b) One ranked and one unranked player, in order of ranking of the one ranked player
 - c) Two unranked players.
- 2. Two players, one a Singles Main Draw Direct Acceptance, Special Exempt/16 & Under Exempt or Qualifier/Lucky Loser (not Wild Cards, see Note 1.);
 - a) Both players ranked, in order of total ranking
 - b) One ranked and one unranked player, in order of ranking of the one ranked player
 - c) Two unranked players.
- Two players, neither a Singles Main Draw Direct Acceptance or Qualifier/Lucky Loser:
 - a) Both players ranked, in order of total ranking
 - b) One ranked and one unranked player, in order of ranking of the one ranked player
- Two unranked players. If two or more teams are tied within any of these combinations, the order shall be drawn by lot.
- Note 1: Direct Acceptances above do not include Wild Cards
- Note 2: Doubles Wild Cards are in addition to this.
- Note 3: Lucky Losers are those players who have been accepted into the Singles Main Draw by the doubles sign-in deadline.
- Note 4: Rankings used are those of the Monday seven (7) days prior to the Monday of the tournament week.
- Note 5: For the purposes of doubles acceptances players ranked in the top 500 on the WTA or the top 850 ATP will be treated as ranked players.

47. National Rankings

All National Rankings must be submitted to the ITF by the National Association at least seven (7) days before the Entry Deadline if they are to be used for acceptance purposes for a given tournament.

If a National Association produces an updated National Ranking during the year, the National Association may send quarterly updates to the ITF.

48. Entry Definitions

A player's status in a tournament shall not be official until the entry deadline and publication of the tournament Acceptance List on the ITF website. Any arrangement made by a player to participate in a tournament prior thereto is made at his/her own risk.

a) Direct Acceptances

Entered players accepted directly into the Main Draw or Qualifying Draw by virtue of their rankings and/or by virtue of the requirements given under rule 46* (criteria for acceptances).

b) Qualifiers

Players who are included in the Main Draw as a result of their success in the Qualifying competition.

c) Wild Cards

Players included in the draw at the sole discretion of the Tournament Committee. Wild Cards may be seeded. Wild cards must be named at the time the draw is made.

An entered player who is nominated to receive a Wild Card into the tournament will continue to be eligible, up to the start of the Qualifying competition, to compete in the tournament as a Direct Acceptance or to fill any Qualifying or Main Draw vacancies that arise, in accordance with the Criteria for Acceptances and Sign-in procedures set forth herein.

If the Qualifying and Main Draw Wild Card(s) move into the draw on merit, such player(s)' status will change to Direct Acceptance and replacement Wild Cards may be nominated up until the time the draw is made. Any Wild Card places not filled by this time will be filled by the next eligible players on the Acceptance List, or in the case of Main Draw, by Lucky Losers.

Wild Cards who withdraw cannot be replaced with new Wild Cards after the draw is made. Any such vacancy shall be filled by the next eligible player on the Acceptance List, or if the Qualifying competition has commenced, it shall be filled by the eligible Lucky Loser drawn at the same time as the Qualifiers.

No player who has signed in for and been accepted into the Qualifying of the tournament may be named as a Wild Card after the Qualifying competition has commenced.

The Qualifying competition commences when the first ball of the first qualifying match is struck.

A tournament shall not offer a Wild Card or accept the entry from any player who has either accepted a Wild Card or been committed by an entry to another tournament in the same week except as follows:

- i) Player is nominated to receive a Wild Card offering higher event status (i.e. moving from a Qualifying event to a Main Draw). In this case late withdrawal penalties for the original tournament will apply.
- ii) Player is nominated to receive a Wild Card into a tournament of a higher grade. In this case late withdrawal penalties for the original tournament will apply.

It is the player's responsibility to ascertain whether they are eligible to accept a particular Wild Card. Players <u>and tournaments</u> should retain written confirmation of the offer and acceptance of a Wild Card. <u>Acceptance of the offer of a Wild Card constitutes a player's commitment to the tournament.</u>

Should the ITF gather evidence that a Wild Card has been sold, the tournament will be subject to the determination and penalty procedure as set out in the ITF Junior Circuit Code of Conduct under Article VII: Tournament Offences, and the player may also face disciplinary action pursuant to Code of Conduct Article I: Entry Offences and Article V: Player Major Offences.

d) Alternates

Players who are ranked lower than the direct acceptances into Main Draw and Qualifying under the applicable criteria for acceptances any time after the Entry Deadline.

If there is no singles Qualifying event, signed-in Alternates shall take any vacant places in the singles Main Draw, in accordance with their position on the Acceptance List. For vacancies that occur after the Order of Play has been released for the first day of play, the selection shall be made from the players who have signed-in for each day as applicable.

e) On-Site Alternates

Non entered players who appear at the tournament (prior to the Qualifying sign-in deadline) to sign in for the Qualifying, to fill any available spaces in the draw only. If a Qualifying is not held, On-Site Alternates may fill any available spaces in the Main Draw. On-site Alternates will be placed below players on the Alternates List created

when entries closed. In order to be eligible to be an On-site Alternate, a player must pay the entry fee and must personally sign-in with the ITF Referee on site. Eligible players shall be accepted according to the ITF junior world ranking of the Monday seven (7) days prior to the Monday of the tournament week. Unranked On-site Alternates should be accepted according to the latest national rankings, if available. If national rankings are not available, they should be drawn by lot.

f) Lucky Losers

Players who have lost in the final round of the Qualifying competition or, if more Lucky Losers are required for substitutions, those players who have lost in the previous qualifying round(s). If a player is forced to retire from the final round of Qualifying due to illness or injury, he/she will retain his/her Lucky Loser status provided he/she has received clearance from the Tournament Doctor or Sports Medicine Trainer.

g) Special Exempts

Players on the Qualifying Acceptance List who apply for and receive exemption from the Qualifying event because they are still competing at a "Qualified Tournament" on the day the Qualifying event is scheduled to begin.

A "Qualified Tournament" is the singles and/or doubles event of another ITF Junior Circuit tournament of the same grade, a higher grade or one grade lower, within the same region (or a bordering country not in the same region, eg Russia/Kazakhstan) in the preceding week.

h) 16 & Under Team Competition Feed Up Exempt

A player who, by virtue of being part of a team which finished in 1st, 2nd or 3rd place in the Junior Davis Cup or Junior Fed Cup Finals, gains Direct Acceptance into a designated ITF Junior Circuit tournament. (See Appendix J)

i) 16 & Under Tournament Feed Up Exempt

A player who, by virtue of being the top 16 & Under ranked player in their region, gains Direct Acceptance into a designated ITF Junior Circuit tournament. (See Appendix K)

49. Seeds

a) Number of Seeds

i) The Number of Seeds for Main Draw shall be as follows:

For a draw of 128: 16 seeds
For a draw of 96: 16 seeds
For a draw of 64: 16 seeds
For a draw of 48: 16 seeds
For a draw of 32: 8 seeds
For a draw of 24: 8 seeds
For a draw of 16: 4 seeds
For a draw of 8: 2 seeds

ii) The Number of Seeds for Qualifying shall be as follows:

For a draw with 2 sections: no more than 4 seeds For a draw with 4 sections: no more than 8 seeds For a draw with 6 sections: no more than 12 seeds For a draw with 8 sections: no more than 16 seeds

b) Selection of Seeds

Singles

Seedings shall be calculated following the Seeding Comparison Chart – Appendix L. Players without ITF or professional rankings cannot be seeded.

Doubles

Doubles seeding shall be based on the Seeding Comparison Chart (Appendix L). 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)
- 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 singles rankings as applicable. Pro Doubles rankings are not considered.

50. Sign-in/Registration

a) Qualifying

Each player (with the exception of Wild Cards who are in contact with the ITF Referee) must sign-in personally on site with the ITF Referee by 6.00 p.m. (1800 hours) the day before the start of play in the Qualifying competition.

Any player may be signed in for the Qualifying Draw by the Referee of an ITF or Regional Association sanctioned tournament in the previous week, if such player has completed that tournament in the two days preceding the start of the Qualifying competition. This player must be on site and play his/her first match by the end of the first round of Qualifying. Players travelling as part of a team under one coach may be signed in by the referee of an ITF or Regional Association sanctioned tournament in the previous week, if any other member of that team is still competing in that tournament in the two days preceding the start of the Qualifying competition.

Except as otherwise stated herein, players who fail to sign in shall not be included in the Qualifying Draw.

Any unused Special Exempt place(s) or Main Draw vacancies (following withdrawals after the Freeze Deadline) shall be filled by entered players who have either signed in for Qualifying or preserved their eligibility for such place(s) by personally contacting the ITF Referee prior to the Qualifying sign-in deadline. Players who preserve their eligibility must get written confirmation from the ITF Referee. These players are to be selected in accordance with their position on the Acceptance List. If the Special Exempt places are used or there are no Main Draw vacancies, players who preserved their eligibility are not eligible to play the Qualifying and are subject to the Late Withdrawal/No-Show provisions set forth in the Code of Conduct.

b) Main Draw

i) Singles

There will be no sign-in requirement for players accepted directly into the Main Draw at 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 accepted into the Main Draw (with the exception of Wild Cards who are in contact with the ITF Referee) must sign-in personally with the ITF Referee by 6.00 pm (1800 hours) the day before the start of the Main Draw.

An entered player may be signed in for the Main Draw by the Referee of an ITF or Regional Association sanctioned tournament in the previous week, if such player has completed that tournament in the two days preceding the start of the Main Draw competition. This player must be on site and play his/her first match by the end of the first round of the Main Draw. Players travelling as part of a team under one coach may be signed in by the referee of an ITF or Regional Association sanctioned tournament in the previous week, if any other member of that team is still competing in that tournament in the two days preceding the start of the Main Draw competition. Except as otherwise stated herein, players who fail to sign in shall not be included in the Main Draw.

ii) Doubles

Each player must have entered and signed-in personally with the ITF Referee by 12 noon (1200 hours) on the first day of the singles Main Draw.

51. Composition of Draws

Pre-qualifying draws should not be held. However, if held under the sanctioning of the relevant National Association, pre-qualifying draws are permitted for national players only.

a) Qualifying

The Qualifying Draw shall not be greater in size than the Main Draw.

Draw size	16	24	32	48	64	96	128
Wild Cards	2	4	6	7	8	8	8
Direct Acceptance	14	20	26	41	56	88	120

b) Main Draw

i) Singles							
Draw size	16	24	32	48	64	96	128
Wild Cards	2	2	4	6	8	8	8
Special Exempts	0-1	0-1	0-2	0-2	0-2	0-2	0-2
Qualifiers	2	2	4	6	8	8	8
Direct Acceptances	11-12	19-20	22-24	34-36	46-48	78-80	108-112

Note: Tournaments requested by the ITF to provide 16 & Under Team or Individual Exempt Positions must use the following Main Draw composition:

Draw size	16	24	32	48	64	96	128
Wild cards	2	2	4	6	8	8	8
Special Exempts	0-1	0-1	0-2	0-2	0-2	0-2	0-2
16 & Under Exempts	0-2	0-2	0-2	0-2	0-2	0-2	0-2
Qualifiers	2	2	4	6	8	8	8
Direct Acceptances	9-12	17-20	20-24	32-36	44-48	76-80	110-112

Note: If Special Exempt or 16 & Under Exempt Positions are not used the positions revert to Direct Acceptances.

ii) Doubles						
Draw size	8	16	24	32	48	64
Wild cards	1	2	2	4	6	8
Direct Acceptances	7	14	22	28	42	56

52*. Making a Draw

All draws should be made immediately after the respective sign-in has closed. All draws shall be made publicly, i.e. shall be open to be witnessed by interested parties.

a) Qualifying

Players from the same nation shall be drawn in different sections as far as possible.

i) Sections and Seeds

The Qualifying Draw shall be made in sections, and the winner of each section shall be given a place in the Main Draw. If four (4) qualifiers are required, there shall be four (4) sections; six (6) qualifiers, six (6) sections; and so on. The draw shall be seeded and the selection of seeds shall be consistent with the criteria used for the main draw. Each section shall have two seeded players. The first seed shall be placed at the top of the

first section, the second seed shall be placed at the top of the second section and so on until all sections have one (1) seed on the top line of each section. The remaining seeds shall be drawn as one group. The first drawn shall be placed on the bottom line of the first section, the second drawn shall be placed on the bottom line of the second section and so on until all sections have one (1) seed on the bottom line of each section.

If there are not a sufficient number of seeded players to fill all the positions for seeds in the draw, the section(s) with the highest seed(s) shall not have a second seeded player. If no players are seeded, all players are drawn randomly.

ii) Acceptance of Qualifiers into Main Draw

Once the Qualifying event has begun, only those players who ultimately win their qualifying section and Lucky Losers may be accepted into the Main Draw. The Qualifying event commences when the first ball of the first Qualifying match is struck.

iii) Drawing of Qualifiers

At the conclusion of the Qualifying event, the name of one Qualifier shall be randomly drawn for each qualifying place in the Main Draw. There shall be no prior designation of qualifying sections to qualifying places in the Main Draw. Likewise, when more than one Lucky Loser is to be inserted into the Main Draw, their position in the Main Draw shall be determined by drawing. Vacancies occurring before the Qualifying is completed to be filled by Lucky Losers shall be drawn in conjunction with those players that qualified.

b) Main Draw

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

If three or four players from the same National Association are competing, they shall be drawn in separate quarters.

This principle of separation of players shall extend to cover all players in the draw, including, as far as possible, qualifiers drawn manually if the draw is made before the qualifying event is completed.

i) Placing of Seeds

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

If three or four seeded players from the same National Association are competing, the first and second players shall be drawn as above and the third and fourth seeded player shall be drawn into the quarters which do not already contain one of that National Association's players.

This principle of separation of seeded players shall extend to cover all seeded players in the draw.

Taking into account the provisions above, seeds shall be placed or drawn as follows:

- 1. Place Seed 1 on line 1 and Seed 2 on line 16 (16 draw), 32 (24/32 draw), 64 (48/64 draw) or line 128 (96/128 draw).
- 2. To determine the placement of the remaining seeds, draw in pairs of two (Seeds 3 and 4) and groups of four (Seeds 5-8, 9-12 and 13-16) from top to bottom as follows:

	16 draw (4 seeds)	24/32 draw (8 seeds)	48/64 draw (16 seeds)	96/128 draw (16 seeds)
Seeds 3, 4	5	9	17	33
Seeds 3, 4	12	24	48	96
Seeds 5, 6, 7, 8	12	8	16	32
		16	32	64
		17	33	65
		25	49	97
Seeds 9,10,11,12			9	17
			25	49
			40	80
			56	112
Seeds 13,14,15,16			8	16
			24	48
			41	81
			57	113

ii) Bves

In the event that there are not enough competitors to fill the draw, then after the seeds are placed in the draw, the required number of byes shall be awarded to the highest seeds as a first priority and any remaining byes shall be drawn by a lot in a manner so as to distribute them as evenly as possible throughout the sections of the draw.

iii) Vacancies And Substitutions

Vacancies shall be filled with substitutes in accordance with the following:

a) From the Withdrawal Deadline until the Freeze Deadline:

i) Vacancies in the Qualifying and Main Draw shall be filled by entered players selected in accordance with their position on the Acceptance List.

If at the Freeze deadline the total number of entered players on the Main Draw and Qualifying acceptance lists is less than or equal to the main draw size (all positions including DA, SE, Q but not WC), there shall be no Qualifying event. All Qualifying acceptances shall be moved to the Main Draw acceptance list as Direct Acceptances. There shall be no Qualifying sign-in. For those tournaments which have Main Draw sign-in, on-site Alternates may sign in on or before the time announced for the Main Draw sign-in in order to take any vacant positions at this time.

b) From the Freeze Deadline until the Qualifying Sign-in Deadline:

i) Vacancies in the Qualifying or Main Draw shall be filled at the time of the Qualifying sign-in deadline by entered players who have signed in for the Qualifying event or preserved their eligibility for Main Draw selected in accordance with the applicable criteria for acceptances, and thereafter by ranked On-site Alternates who have signed in for the Qualifying event selected in accordance with the computer rankings of the Monday seven (7) days prior to the Monday of the tournament week. Where players have no such ranking, the order of priority shall be decided by lot.

c) From the Qualifying Sign-in Deadline until the commencement of the Qualifying competition:

Vacancies in the Qualifying or Main Draw shall be filled by entered players who have signed in for the Qualifying event selected in accordance with the applicable criteria for acceptances.

d) After commencement of the Qualifying competition:

Vacancies in the Main Draw may only be filled by Lucky Losers. A Lucky Loser shall be inserted as a substitute for any player who withdraws or is withdrawn before the first point is played in his/her first match. Lucky Losers are those players who have lost in the final round of Qualifying. If additional Lucky Losers are needed they shall be selected from losers in the previous round(s) in the same manner. Lucky Losers shall be selected as follows: The order of players with an ITF junior ranking or professional ranking ATP 850 or better or WTA 500 or better shall be randomly drawn, thereafter the order of the unranked players shall be randomly drawn.

Vacancies in the Qualifying shall be filled by players who have signed the Alternate List for each day as applicable, selected in accordance with their position on the Acceptance List.

e) Sign-in Requirements for Substitutes

i) Alternates and Lucky Losers must be present and sign-in with the ITF Referee at least a half (½) hour before the scheduled start of play, which may occur over several days, in order to maintain their priority among other Alternates and Lucky Losers of the same round. If the eligible Lucky Loser is not available to play, he/she shall be placed at the bottom of the Lucky Loser Priority List for the day corresponding to the qualifying round in which he/she lost. Such player is not subject to penalties for late withdrawal/no show. If the eligible player is playing in the doubles event at the time he/she is called as a Lucky Loser in singles, the singles match may be rescheduled so he/she can fill the Lucky Loser position, provided the ITF Referee determines that such rescheduling of the singles match does not cause an unreasonable disruption in the schedule; otherwise the next available Lucky Loser shall be selected to fill such vacancy.

ii) Alternates and Lucky Losers must be ready to play in proper tennis attire within a total time of (5) minutes after the announcement of a vacancy. Matches must commence without delay after the selection of the Alternate or Lucky Loser.

iv) Special Exempts

Prior to the time of the Qualifying sign-in deadline, an ITF Referee may accept a verbal or written request for Special Exempt status on behalf of a player qualified to make such a request, but only from the Referee of the tournament at which the player is still participating. If there are not sufficient Special Exempt places in the Main Draw for all applicants, the players shall be selected as follows:

- a) players still competing in the singles draw in order of ranking
- b) players still competing in the doubles draw in order of ranking

The ranking used will be that of the Monday seven (7) days before the tournament week. If there is no Qualifying competition, or if Special Exempts are not needed prior to the time that the Qualifying draw is made, then the places in the Main Draw reserved for Special Exempts shall become places for Direct Acceptances who have signed in for Qualifying or preserved their eligibility, to be selected in accordance with their position on the Acceptance List.

A player still competing at a Qualified Tournament at the time of the Qualifying Signin deadline can request a Special Exempt place (as above). However he/she must notify the ITF Referee of the result of his/her match no later than one (1) hour following the completion of the match. If, after the completion of the match, the player is not eligible for the Special Exempt, the Special Exempt place will be filled either by another player who requested a Special Exempt or as per section b.iii. "Vacancies/Substitutions" above. In this case the player will not be eligible to play in the Qualifying draw.

The maximum number of Special Exempts is as follows:

c) Doubles

i) Conducting a Draw

The placing of seeds and byes and the drawing of the remaining teams shall be in accordance with the same principles used in the singles Main Draw.

ii) Vacancies

A team shall constitute a doubles entry. Therefore, if either of the players of a team cannot play, that doubles entry is subject to immediate substitution. However, if a

player has to withdraw through injury or other unavoidable circumstances after the sign-in deadline, but before the draw, his/her partner may enter again with another player who had not already been accepted in the doubles event. With this exception players may not change partners after the doubles entry deadline.

53. Seedings Official – Withdrawal after the Draw and Replacement of Seeds

Seedings will not be official until the final draw is made. The Seed Rankings from the Monday seven (7) days before the tournament week will be used.

Any vacancy created by the withdrawal of a seed shall be filled immediately by the next highest ranked player in the Main Draw eligible to be seeded. The position vacated by that next highest ranked player shall then be filled immediately by the next player on the original Acceptance List if prior to the commencement of Qualifying or by the eligible Lucky Loser if after commencement of Qualifying. Any vacancy created by the withdrawal of a seed which occurs after the release of the Order of Play on the day preceding commencement of play in the main draw shall be filled by an eligible Lucky Loser/Alternate.

Any replacement of seeds should be made without consideration to the placement of players from the same nation (as explained in 52 b).

54. 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 ITF Referee. The ITF 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 ITF 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 15 minutes) - three (3) minutes of warm-up

less than 30 minutes)

30 or more minutes of delay - five (5) minutes of warm-up

55. Related Regulations

To the extent not covered herein The Constitution of ITF Limited 2016 and the 2016 Rules of Tennis shall be applicable to all ITF Junior Circuit Tournaments. Such applicability shall not affect the right of the ITF Junior Circuit Tournaments to promulgate and enforce their own special regulations insofar as they are consistent with

the applicable provisions of these Rules and Regulations and have been approved by the ITF.

V. ORGANISATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

56*. Hospitality

All tournaments Graded A, 1-3 level must provide meals (breakfast, midday and evening meals) and hotel accommodation for all players in the singles and/or doubles Main Draw and for a minimum of one coach per nation commencing the evening before the first day of the main draw and ending the morning following the player's elimination/the elimination of the last team member. All tournaments Graded 4-5 level shall, wherever possible, provide meals and hotel accommodation for all players in the singles and/or doubles Main Draw and for a minimum of one coach per nation. The ITF shall refuse hotels that are not deemed appropriate when proposed for inclusion in the fact sheet. Official coaches must be nominated by a National Association by the Freeze Deadline in order to be given hospitality. No other coaches shall be guaranteed hospitality.

Any official coach nominated by his/her National Association to receive hospitality must have registered for an annual Player Support Team ID at this website: http://playersupport.itftennis.com.

The Player Support Team ID must be communicated to the tournament by the National Association when nominating the official coach. Any coach without a valid Player Support Team ID will not be entitled to hospitality.

Private housing shall not be used by tournaments, including tournaments Graded 4-5, as a form of hospitality.

Please see Appendix N for guidelines on the required level of hospitality.

If hospitality is provided to an official team from a country, it is preferable, but at the discretion of the tournament committee, that hospitality be extended to all members of that team until the day after the last player is eliminated from the singles and/or doubles Main Draw.

Tournaments may not restrict the provision of hospitality to a set number of participants per country.

Official tournament hospitality for coaches and players shall be provided separately and bedrooms may only be shared by players of the same sex. Requests to share hotel accommodation by players and coaches from the same or opposite sex must at all times be refused. The only exception allowed to this rule is when a National Association nominates a parent, or a person related to the player and authorised in writing by the player's parent, as the official coach/representative, in accordance with the guidelines stipulated in the ITF Welfare Policy (Appendix F).

57. Tournament Visitor Accreditation

Any Player Support Team Member, as defined in the ITF Welfare Policy (Appendix F) or Tournament Visitor, as defined below, attending an ITF Junior event must report to the Tournament Committee upon arrival and request accreditation for the full duration of his/her stay. For the purposes of the accreditation the full name of the attendee and the organisation he/she represents must be provided. Tournament Visitor Accreditation does not entitle the visitor to access private players areas, such as the locker rooms or player lounge. Where possible, tournament visitors should be provided with photo identification guest passes that are clearly distinguishable (e.g. by colour) from player identification passes.

Note: Tournament Visitor includes, but is not limited to, the following groups: Any prospective or current agent, suppliers, sports manufacturers, the media, recruitment organisations, or training, development and academic institutions of any description. For the avoidance of doubt, it does not include anyone visiting an event solely as a tennis spectator.

58. Travel Assistance

Any travel assistance shall be arranged only in advance and offered only to National Associations. It shall not be conditional upon a named player taking part. Travel assistance shall not be offered to individual players neither shall it be linked to a player's success in the tournament, nor shall it be conditional on a player's participation in any other tournament.

Regional Associations may co-ordinate the travel assistance offered to players taking part in a group of tournaments under their control.

59*. Courts

All match courts shall be of exactly the same surface. However, in the event of bad weather play may be moved to another surface, either under cover or not.

The minimum number of outdoor courts is as follows:

- 128 draw combinations (boys & girls) should have a minimum of 10 courts, ideally 12.
- $64\ draw$ combinations (boys & girls) should have a minimum of 8 courts, ideally 10.
- 48 draw combinations (boys & girls) should have a minimum of 6 courts, ideally 7.
- 32 draw combinations (boys & girls) should have a minimum of 4 courts, ideally 5.

In addition there should be at least one practice court per 32 players on site.

60. Practice facilities shall be provided <u>free of charge for players still in the main draw.</u> Practice courts shall preferably be of the same surface as the match courts, but this is not obligatory. Practice facilities need not be in the same stadium, but transport shall be provided. Players shall have the opportunity to reserve practice courts, and the ITF Referee shall ensure that satisfactory arrangements are made.

61*. Officials

a) Grade B1/1 Tournaments

The ITF Referee shall be a minimum White Badge Referee standard (except with the written approval of the ITF). If other age category events will also take place on-site during the tournament week, it is strongly recommended that the ITF Referee officiates only the U18 ITF Junior Circuit event for the duration of the tournament week.

There shall be a Chair Umpire for every match in the main draw.

There shall be at least two Line Umpires for each match from the semifinals.

For qualifying draw matches, a suitable number of off-court umpires must be provided.

b) Grade B2/2 & B3/3 Tournaments

The ITF Referee shall be a minimum White Badge Referee standard (except with the written approval of the ITF). If other age category events will also take place on-site during the tournament week, it is strongly recommended that the ITF Referee officiates only the U18 ITF Junior Circuit event for the duration of the tournament week.

There shall be a Chair Umpire for each match from the quarterfinals.

There shall be at least two Line Umpires for each match from the semifinals.

For matches not requiring a chair umpire, a suitable number of off-court umpires must be provided.

c) Grade 4 & 5 Tournaments

The ITF Referee shall be a minimum White Badge Referee standard (except with the written approval of the ITF). If other age category events will also take place on-site during the tournament week, it is strongly recommended that the ITF Referee officiates only the U18 ITF Junior Circuit event for the duration of the tournament week.

There shall be a Chair Umpire for each final.

For matches not requiring a chair umpire, a suitable number of off-court umpires must be provided.

In all cases the ITF Referee must be available throughout the tournament week, from the Qualifying sign-in until after the final match has been completed, unless otherwise approved by the ITF.

62. Tournament Doctor and Sports Medicine Trainer

Each Junior Circuit Tournament must provide at its sole expense a Tournament Doctor on-call during play and a Sports Medicine Trainer available on-site during play. It is recommended that all reasonable off-court treatment is provided free of charge to players.

63. Schedule

The ITF Referee shall, whenever possible, allow a player who has competed on the final day of the preceding tournament, a full day for travelling and rest before that player is obliged to play the first round of the succeeding tournament.

64.

a) Release of the order of play

Once the ITF Referee has determined the following day's order of play, it should be released by the ITF Referee, both on-site and via ITF Tournament Planner program, as soon as possible but no later than 10pm (2200 hours) local time.

b) Amendments to the order of play

Once officially released, the order of play shall not be amended unless the ITF Referee deems it necessary and/or appropriate.

65. Facilities

There shall be a tournament desk staffed at all times. Adequate changing rooms and shower facilities shall be available. In order to fully meet ITF standards, please refer to the Organisational Requirements Manual. Tournament Visitors should not be allowed access into any private player areas, such as the showers or toilet facilities.

66. Prize Money

No prize money in any form shall be paid at any junior tournament, either to the players or to their National Associations. Wild Cards into professional level events are not considered as Prize Money.

67. Gifts

The value of a gift to the winner of a tournament may not exceed the value of US \$750.00. Tournament Directors are responsible for ensuring that gifts and services provided to players are suitable for minors and comply with any legal requirements of the jurisdiction where the players resides and of the country where the event is held.

68. Fact Sheet

All relevant information on arrangements for the event should be made available to the players and National Associations in the form of the ITF standard Fact Sheet.

A fact sheet must be submitted to the ITF for approval by email at least ten (10) weeks before the event concerned. Once the fact sheet has been published, the information is regarded as final and no further changes can be made.

69. Entry Fees

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

Grade A, 1,2,3 (4 and 5 with Full Hospitality): \$65 (or equivalent) per person Grade 4 and 5 (without Full Hospitality): \$50 (or equivalent) per person Indoor Grade A, 1,2,3 (4 and 5 with Full Hospitality): \$75 (or equivalent) per person Indoor Grade 4 and 5 (without Full Hospitality): \$60 (or equivalent) per person

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.

70. Conditions of Play

a) Latest Start Time

It is mandatory that the latest start time for any match is not later than 9pm (2100hrs). Any match that is not completed by midnight (0000hrs) should be interrupted and postponed until the following day. (The ITF Referee can extend the time of play if, in his/her opinion, the match can be concluded in a reasonable time.)

A tournament can apply to the ITF for an exemption to the mandatory latest start time at least three months before the entry deadline. If play is seriously delayed during the week due to adverse weather, the tournament can apply to the ITF to extend the latest start time to 9.30pm (2130hrs).

b) Between Qualifying and Main Draw

Other than in exceptional circumstances, no player shall be required to play his/her first round match in the singles Main Draw until at least twelve (12) hours after the completion of his/her final Qualifying match.

c) Between Matches

Except when weather or other unavoidable circumstances causes schedule disruption, players shall be scheduled for a maximum of one (1) main draw singles match and one (1) main draw 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.

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:

- a) Played less than one (1) hour half (1/2) hour rest
- b) Played between one (1) hour and one and one half (1½) hours one (1) hour rest
- c) Played between one and one half $(1\frac{1}{2})$ hours and two (2) hours one and one half $(1\frac{1}{2})$ hours rest
- d) Played more than two (2) hours two (2) hours rest

If a player is involved in the singles and doubles finals, he/she shall be allowed a rest period of one half hour. A player may play before the end of the rest period if all participants are in agreement.

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 in a three-set singles match unless the extreme weather conditions rule is in effect.

71*. Balls

The balls to be used at Junior Circuit Tournaments must conform to the specifications in the Rules of Tennis and must have been approved by the ITF. Any Junior Circuit Tournament must apply to the ITF for approval at least 6 weeks (42 days) in advance of the tournament if it wishes to use Ball Types 1 or 3.

a) Grade <u>B1</u>/1 tournaments:

Main Draw/Qualifying

In Main Draw and Qualifying there shall be a minimum of four (4) new balls for each match; another four (4) new balls shall be provided for any third set in singles only.

b) Grade B2/2 - 5 tournaments:

Main Draw/Qualifying

In Main Draw and Qualifying there shall be a minimum of three (3) new balls for each match; another three (3) new balls shall be provided for any third set in singles only.

Practice

Balls of the same type and brand as the match balls shall be provided for practice, but it is not obligatory to give new balls for this purpose.

72. Artificial Lighting

Play is allowed with artificial lighting. It is highly recommended that there is a minimum of 500 lux evenly distributed over the court surface.

73. Waiver of Claims

In submitting an entry into an ITF Junior Circuit event, all players 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 an ITF Junior Circuit event, and/or any of its related activities and/or while in the location of an ITF Junior Circuit event, against the ITF, the National Association or Regional Association sanctioning such events, promoters, sponsors, television or other broadcast licensees, vendors, venues, local organizers and others connected with such ITF Junior Circuit tournaments, including its employees, officers, directors, volunteers, and representatives.

74. Publicity and Promotion

Each player grants and assigns to the ITF, the tournament's sanctioning National Association, the tournament and their agents and assignees the right in perpetuity to use or authorize the use of from to time and at their discretion, her name, voice, photograph, likeness, signature, biographical material and other identification, in any and all media now known or hereafter devised, without compensation for her, her heirs, devisees, executors, administrators or assigns, for the purpose of publicizing, promoting and advertising the sport of tennis, the ITF, the tournament's sanctioning National Association, the tournament and their respective affiliates and events, including, the right to use the same on event posters, photos, programs, merchandise and other materials, and for the televising, broadcasting and filming of the same, and hereby grants and assigns to the ITF, the tournament's sanctioning National Association, the tournament and their agents and assignees the right in perpetuity to make, use, show and reproduce, in any and all media now known or hereafter devised, from time to time and at its discretion, motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproduction of him/her during the event for commercial and non-commercial purposes without compensation for him/herself, his/her heirs, devisees, executors, administrators or assigns. Such activities by ITF, the tournament's sanctioning National Association, the tournament or their agents and assignees shall not be identified as or represented to be an endorsement by the player of any product or company.

75. Player Images

Notwithstanding rule 74, it is prohibited for any Tournament Visitor to obtain, transmit, store or distribute any images of players, unless they are the parent or legal guardian of the player, without the express written authorisation (which includes permission about how the image(s) will be used) of the parent, legal guardian of the player or ITF Referee. Any authorised images must be exclusively of tennis matches, practice or tournament activity including the presentation of trophies.

76. 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.

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.

Archive Rights

Upon expiration of the Agreement ITF shall remain the exclusive owner of all audio and audio-visual media rights ("archive rights").

77. International Sponsorship

The ITF retains the right to secure international sponsors (Title & Ancillary) for the Competition. An international sponsor will have the right to exposure at select events of the Competition, and it will be the responsibility of the ITF to negotiate an agreement with each Host Organiser of these events with regards to this exposure. The ITF grants all Host Organisers of events the right to secure local sponsors.

The ITF retains the exclusive right for net branding at each event of the Competition. The Host Organiser of each event of the Competition is not allowed to place branding on the net unless agreed otherwise in writing with the ITF.

The ITF insists that there should be no tobacco organisations or betting companies secured as sponsors for any events of the Competition. The ITF also insists that hard liquor alcohol brands should not be secured as a sponsor to events of the Competition, however non-distilled alcohol brands may be secured as a partner under the following guidelines:

- i) the brand is not a Title or Naming sponsor of the event
- ii) the brand does not have on court exposure at the event
- the brand serves the drink at the event in a responsible fashion to persons over the age of 18 (or relevant drinking age in the event country)

The ITF will have the right to instruct individual tournaments on the ITF Junior Circuit to use the balls of the Official Ball manufacturer providing that the balls are given to the tournament free of charge.

The ITF accepts that certain tournaments may have existing agreements in place with ball manufacturers and in such circumstances, the ITF will waive the right to require the use of the Official Ball at these tournaments for the duration of the existing agreement.

Should the ITF inform a tournament on the ITF Junior Circuit of the intention to use an Official Ball, that tournament agrees that once their current agreement has expired, no new agreement with a ball manufacturer will be entered into.

APPENDIX A SPECIAL REGULATIONS FOR GRADE A (SUPER SERIES)

Grade A tournaments shall follow the Regulations for Grade 1-5 tournaments. Exceptions and additions other than those stated below may be allowed for the Grand Slam tournaments and the Youth Olympic Games where these are approved in advance of the event by the ITF Juniors Committee.

Regulation 38• shall replace Regulation 38* in the main Regulations.

38. Match Format

Each match shall be the best of three Tie-Break sets or two Tie-Break sets and one advantage set as decided by the Tournament Committee.

Doubles matches shall be two Tie-Break sets and a Match Tie-Break (10 point) in place of a third set. No-Ad scoring shall be used.

40. Entries and Draws

Grade A tournaments shall have the following minimum number of competitors in each event:

Boys' Singles: 64 Boys' Doubles: 32 Girls' Singles: 64 Girls' Doubles: 32

If a Grade A event fails to have the above entry, or fails to accept players in accordance with Regulation 46• the following year the number of points awarded to the tournament will be decreased.

If the entry falls below 48 for either of the singles events, Grade A status may no longer be given.

Tournament committees should bear in mind that no points are awarded to a player until he/she has won a round and should therefore do their utmost to ensure that the number of competitors in the draw allows the maximum number of points to be awarded.

46. Criteria for Acceptances

In addition, if any region – South America; North America; Central America and Caribbean; Europe; Asia; Africa; and Oceania - does not have any players accepted under a) or b) above, the highest ranked entrant from that region shall be accepted for main draw if their ranking is 80 or higher or qualifying if their ranking is 150 or higher.

The following Regulations are additional clauses to, and/or take precedence over the main Regulations.

52. Making the Draw

An official representative, if nominated by the ITF, may be present for the draw.

56• Hospitality

All Grade A tournaments must provide meals (breakfast, midday and evening meals) and hotel accommodation for all players in the singles and/or doubles Main Draw and for a minimum of one coach per nation. These coaches must have been nominated by the National Association by the Freeze Deadline. No other coaches shall be guaranteed hospitality.

Any official coach nominated by his/her National Association to receive hospitality must have registered for an annual Player Support Team ID at this website: http://playersupport.itftennis.com.

The Player Support Team ID must be communicated to the tournament by the National Association when nominating the official coach. Any coach without a valid Player Support Team ID will not be entitled to hospitality.

Please see Appendix N for guidelines on the required level of hospitality. Official tournament hospitality for coaches and players shall be provided separately and bedrooms may only be shared by players of the same sex. Requests to share accommodation by players and coaches from the same or opposite sex must at all times be refused. The only exception allowed to this rule is when a National Association nominates a parent, or a person related to the player and authorised in writing by the player's parent, as the official coach/representative, in accordance with the guidelines stipulated in the ITF Welfare Policy (Appendix F).

Where necessary, local transport shall be provided by the tournament committee. Hospitality shall commence the evening before the first day of the Main Draw and end the day after the elimination of the player or the morning following the completion of the tournament, at the discretion of the tournament committee.

With the exception of those players who qualify for the Main Draw the tournament committee have no obligation to provide for players competing in the Qualifying competition.

Private housing shall not be used by tournaments as a form of hospitality.

The issue of passes and use of facilities at Grade A tournaments which are held during a Grand Slam event, are at the discretion of the tournament committee.

59. Courts

The main court shall have spectator facilities, for example, at least small stands; other courts shall also have viewing facilities not only for coaches and players, but a number of seats for other spectators.

61. Officials

The ITF Referee shall be a minimum Silver Badge ITF Referee standard. If other age category events will also take place on-site during the tournament week, it is strongly recommended that the ITF Referee officiates only the U18 ITF Junior Circuit event for the duration of the tournament week.

There shall be a Chair Umpire for every match There shall be at least four Line Umpires for each match from the semifinals.

71. Balls

Main Draw / Qualifying

A minimum of four (4) new balls are to be provided for each match and are to be changed at least after eleven (11) and thirteen (13) games in the main draw, and at least before the third set throughout the Qualifying.

APPENDIX B SPECIAL REGULATIONS FOR GRADE B (REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS)

78. Tournaments Included

Tournaments in this group shall be staged either by a Regional Association or by another group of National Associations, and shall be open only to competitors fulfilling the qualification requirements as set out by the relevant Association(s).

Applications for tournaments to be held during the same week and at the same venue as a professional tour event will only be considered for inclusion if the tour event is owned and run by the relevant National Association.

79. Criteria for Acceptances

Regional Associations are responsible for the Criteria for Acceptances of each of their Regional Championships. These Criteria must be submitted to the ITF on request.

80. Nomination of Competitors

Unless otherwise decided by the relevant Regional Association, only players nominated by their National Association may compete. A Regional Association may approve the use of entry through the IPIN system, in which case the Regional Association will review and approve the final Acceptance Lists.

An eligible player may compete in the following Grade B Championships: one Regional Championships and one inter-Regional Championships in one calendar year. A player who is a dual passport holder must be listed in the ITF database under the nation he/she represents at the Regional Closed Championships.

81. Officials

The ITF Referee shall be a minimum White Badge Referee standard. There shall be a Chair Umpire for each match from the quarterfinals. There shall be at least two Line Umpires for each match from the semifinals.

82. Other Regulations

For any matters not covered above, the Regulations for Grade 1 to 5 tournaments shall be observed.

APPENDIX C SPECIAL REGULATIONS FOR GRADE C (INTERNATIONAL TEAM COMPETITIONS)

83. Invitations to Competitors

An invitation to take part may only be sent to a Nation whose National Association is a Class B or Class C Member of the ITF. Under no circumstances may invitations be sent direct to players.

84. Selection of Competitors

Only teams nominated by those National Associations may compete.

85. Officials

The ITF Referee shall be of minimum White Badge standard.

There shall be a chair umpire for each match.

There shall be at least one linesperson for each match i.e. one for the far sideline.

86. Other Regulations

In addition to the above, International Team Competition Regulations which are approved by the International Committee concerned and by the ITF shall be followed. These regulations shall be submitted to the ITF each year as soon as these are available. For any matters not covered by those regulations, the regulations for Grade 1-5 tournaments shall be observed.

APPENDIX D CODE OF CONDUCT FOR 2016 ITF JUNIOR CIRCUIT TOURNAMENTS

ARTICLE I: GENERAL

A. PURPOSE

The International Tennis Federation (ITF) promulgates this ITF Code of Conduct (Code) in order to maintain fair and reasonable standards of conduct by junior players, player support team members and the organisers of all tournaments, regional championships and international team competitions included in the ITF Junior Circuit, and to protect their respective rights, the rights of the public and the integrity of the Sport of Tennis. All references to the International Tennis Federation or the ITF shall mean the ITF I imited

B. EXCLUSIVE APPLICABILITY

This 2016 ITF Junior Circuit Code of Conduct shall be the basis for disciplinary action against any player or tournament in ITF sanctioned Junior Circuit tournaments, except to the extent that disciplinary jurisdiction is established in relation to such tournaments under (i) the Tennis Anti-Doping Programme; and/or (ii) the ITF Welfare Policy.

C. ITF REFEREE

The approved ITF Referee for each ITF Junior Circuit tournament shall be the final authority for the interpretation of these Tournament Regulations, Code of Conduct and the Rules of Tennis as to all matters arising that require immediate resolution at the tournament site.

ARTICLE II: PLAYER ENTRY OFFENCES

A. APPLICABILITY

This Article shall only apply to ITF Junior Circuit tournaments.

B. ENTRY OFFENCES

1. Late Withdrawal/No-Show

A player who has entered and been accepted as a Direct Acceptance into the Main Draw or Qualifying and not timely withdrawn therefrom, shall appear for play. Any withdrawal from a player accepted into Main Draw or Qualifying that occurs after the Withdrawal Deadline shall be considered a late withdrawal. A player's first three (3) late withdrawal offences within a calendar year are excused* ("late withdrawal amnesty"), provided the withdrawal is received by the ITF (and by the ITF Referee, if submitted after the Freeze Deadline) prior to the relevant Sign-in Deadline.

(*an excused withdrawal is valid for two consecutive tournament weeks provided the player withdraws, as above, and notifies the ITF about the second week's late withdrawal by the last day of the tournament).

A player who is on the Qualifying Acceptance List but who is still playing in another ITF Junior Circuit tournament at the time of the Qualifying Sign-In Deadline and who applies for a Special Exempt position, but where such Special Exempt position is not available for the player, will not be penalized for Late Withdrawal.

In circumstances that are flagrant and particularly injurious to the success of the tournament, or are singularly egregious, a single violation of this Section shall also constitute the Major Offence of "Aggravated Behaviour".

2. On-Site Medical Withdrawal

- a) If a player is forced to withdraw after sign-in for medical reasons, the ITF Medical Certification form must be completed (in English, French or Spanish) by the medically qualified physician on-site indicating the nature of the medical condition and verifying that the player is unfit to continue playing in the current tournament.
- b) A player who withdraws late from a tournament will be excused a late withdrawal penalty provided:
 - the player, who is still competing in a tournament at or after the time of the Qualifying sign-in deadline, is forced to withdraw/retire, is examined by that tournament's physician and is determined to be unfit to compete at the following week's tournament; or
 - ii) the player is on-site at the tournament when the withdrawal occurred and is determined to be unfit to compete by the tournament's physician.

For the purpose of this rule, the player must withdraw before the start of his first match and the ITF Medical Certification form must be completed and submitted to the ITF no later than the last day of the tournament.

c) A valid ITF Medical Certification form will excuse a late withdrawal penalty for any subsequent tournament until the player next competes in any tennis event, provided the late withdrawal is submitted prior to the relevant sign-in deadline.

3. Playing Another Event/One Tournament per Week

- a) No player who has played in the Qualifying or Main Draw of an ITF Junior Circuit tournament shall play in any other tennis event, including national and regional tournaments, during the period of such tournament.
- b) Any player who is found to have played in another tennis tournament in the same tournament week in which they have played an ITF Junior Circuit

tournament will not receive ranking points for the ITF Junior Circuit tournament. The exception is a player who has played and lost in the Qualifying event of an ITF Pro Circuit tournament and who subsequently is offered a Wild Card into an ITF Junior Circuit tournament in the same tournament week.

- c) No player who has entered and been accepted into the Qualifying or Main Draw of an ITF Junior Circuit tournament shall play in any other ITF Junior Circuit tournament during the period of such tournament, except as hereinafter provided. Participation by a player in an alternative tournament is only permitted in the following specific circumstances, provided the player first submits an official withdrawal for the tournament he/she was originally committed to, prior to its Qualifying Sign-in Deadline:
 - i) Player is nominated to represent his/her country in an official ITF or Regional Association team competition;
 - ii) Player is nominated to receive a Wild Card offering higher event status (i.e. moving from a Qualifying event to a Main Draw). In this case late withdrawal penalties for the original tournament will apply.
 - iii) Player is nominated to receive a Wild Card into a tournament of a higher grade. In this case late withdrawal penalties for the original tournament will apply.
 - iv) Player is forced to withdraw from a Qualifying event because he/she is still committed in a previous week's tournament but is not eligible to apply, or has been unsuccessful in applying, for a special exempt place.

C. WILD CARDS

No player, directly or indirectly, shall offer, give, solicit, receive or accept, or agree to offer, give, solicit, receive or accept anything of value in exchange for a Wild Card. Violation of this section by a player shall result in disciplinary procedures.

In circumstances that are flagrant and particularly injurious to the success of an ITF Junior Circuit tournament, or are singularly egregious, a single violation of this section shall also constitute the Major Offence of "Aggravated Behaviour".

D. FALSIFYING OFFICIAL DOCUMENTATION

Should a player submit documentation that the ITF deems to be false evidence, including but not limited to documents pertaining to tournament entry and withdrawal and Code of Conduct appeals, the player shall be subject to disciplinary procedures.

In circumstances that are flagrant and particularly injurious to the success of the tournament, or are singularly egregious, a single violation of this section shall also constitute the Major Offence of "Aggravated Behaviour".

E. DISCRETIONARY REVIEW

Any player found to have committed an Entry Offence may appeal to the ITF Manager of Junior Tennis for discretionary review of the determination of guilt and penalty therefore. Such Notice of Appeal shall be in writing and must be filed with the ITF by 5.00 pm GMT within fourteen (14) days after notice of the violation is received by the player.

Attached to and included with such Notice of Appeal shall be a statement by the player as to the facts and circumstances of such incident along with any other evidence that the player desires to submit. Any player submitting fax transmission receipts when appealing a Player Entry Offence should note that all fax receipts must match exactly the fax receipt records at the ITF Office; i.e. fax transmission receipts submitted must show the originating fax number, the fax number of the ITF Office, the OK status, the number of pages transmitted, the date, the time and the transmission duration. If there is no exact match with the transmission receipt records at the ITF Office the appeal will be rejected as insufficient evidence submitted.

Upon receipt of such an Appeal, the ITF Manager of Junior Tennis shall conduct a reasonable investigation of the facts and circumstances surrounding such incident, and shall affirm or reverse in whole or in part the determination of the Offence.

ARTICLE III: ON-SITE OFFENCES

A. GENERAL

Every player, coach, trainer, relative, parent or guardian, as well as any other player support team member, shall, during all matches and at all times while within the precincts of the site (including the official tournament hotel) of an ITF Junior Circuit tournament, conduct himself/herself in a professional manner. The provisions hereinafter set forth shall apply while within the precincts of each such site.

B. PUNCTUALITY

Matches shall follow each other without delay in accordance with the announced order of play. The order of play shall be posted in a highly visible place in a general players' area as designated by the ITF Referee.

Matches shall be called in accordance with the order of play using all available and reasonable means. Players shall be ready to play when their matches are called.

Any player not ready to play within fifteen (15) minutes after his/her match is called shall be defaulted unless the ITF Referee in his sole discretion, after consideration of all relevant circumstances, elects not to declare a default.

C. DRESS AND EQUIPMENT

Every player shall dress and present himself/herself for play in a professional manner. Clean and customarily acceptable tennis attire shall be worn.

Any player who violates this Section may be ordered by the Chair Umpire or ITF Referee to change his/her attire or equipment immediately. Failure of a player to comply with such order may result in an immediate default.

1. Unacceptable Attire

Sweatshirts, gym shorts, dress shirts, T-shirts or any other inappropriate attire shall not be worn during a match (including the warm-up).

a. Shoes

Players are required to wear tennis shoes generally accepted as proper tennis attire. Shoes shall not cause damage to the court other than what is expected during the normal course of a match or practice. Damage to a court may be considered as physical or visible, which may include a shoe that leaves mark beyond what is considered acceptable. The ITF Referee has the authority to determine that a shoe does not meet these criteria and may order the player to change.

i. Grass Court Shoes

At ITF Junior Circuit tournaments played on grass court, no shoes other than those with rubber soles, without heels, ribs, studs or coverings, shall be worn by players. Shoes with pimples or studs around the outside of the toes shall not be permitted. The foxing around the toes must be smooth. The ITF Referee has the authority to determine that a tennis shoe's sole does not conform to such customs and standards and can prohibit its use at ITF Junior Circuit events played on grass courts.

ii. Clay Court Shoes

Players are required to wear tennis shoes generally accepted for play on clay courts or granular surfaces. The ITF Referee has the authority to determine that a tennis shoe's sole does not conform to such customs and standards and can prohibit its use at ITF Junior Circuit events played on clay courts.

Grass court shoes shall not be worn during a match on clay courts.

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. Shirt, Sweater or Jacket

i. Sleeves. One (1) commercial (non-manufacturer's) identification for each sleeve, neither of which exceeds three (3) square inches (19.5 sq.cm), plus one (1) manufacturer's identification on each sleeve, neither of which exceeds eight (8) square inches (52 sq.cm) shall be permitted. If written

identification is used within this eight (8) square inches (52 sq.cm) area on either or both sleeves, such written identification may not exceed four (4) square inches (26 sq.cm) per sleeve.

- ii. Sleeveless: The two (2) commercial (non-manufacturer's) identifications permitted on the sleeves above, neither of which shall exceed three (3) square inches (19.5 sq.cm), may be placed on the front of the garment.
- 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) shall be permitted.

b. Shorts/Skirts

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

On compression shorts, one (1) manufacturer's identification not to exceed two (2) square inches (13 sq.cm) and which shall be in addition to the manufacturer's identifications on shorts/skirts shall be permitted.

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

c. 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).

d. Racquet

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

e. Hat, Headband or Wristband

One (1) manufacturer's identification not to exceed two (2) square inches (13 sq.cm) shall be permitted.

f. Bags, Other Equipment or Paraphernalia

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.

g. Another Tennis, Sport or Entertainment Event

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary hereinabove set forth the identification by use of the name, emblem, logo, trademark, symbol or other description of any

tennis Circuit, series of tennis events, tennis exhibition, tennis tournament, any other sport or entertainment event is prohibited on all dress or equipment, unless otherwise approved by the ITF.

h. Non Permitted Commercial Identifications

No identification shall be permitted on players' clothing that promotes/displays betting companies, tobacco products, alcohol products, political activity or other category deemed to be detrimental to the sport of tennis.

i. General

In the event the utilisation of any of the foregoing permitted commercial identifications would violate any governmental regulation with respect to television, then the same shall be prohibited.

For the purposes of this Rule, the manufacturer means the manufacturer of the clothing or equipment in question.

In addition, the size limitation shall be ascertained by determining the area of the actual patch or other addition to a player's clothing without regard to the colour of the same. In determining area, depending on the shape of the patch or other addition, a circle, triangle or rectangle shall be drawn around the same and the size of the patch for the purpose of this Rule shall be the area within the circumference of the circle or the perimeter of the triangle or rectangle as the case may be. When a solid colour patch is the same colour as the clothing, then in determining the area, the size of the actual patch will be based on the size of the identification.

3. Warm-up Clothing

Players may wear warm-up clothing during the warm-up and during a match provided it complies with the foregoing provisions and provided further that the players obtain approval of the ITF Referee prior to wearing warm-up clothing during a match.

4. Taping

No taping over of logos/patches shall be allowed.

D. TIME VIOLATION / DELAY OF GAME

Following the expiration of the warm-up period play shall be continuous and a player shall not unreasonably delay a match for any cause.

A maximum of twenty (20) seconds shall elapse from the moment the ball goes out of play at the end of the point until the time the ball is struck for the first serve of the next point. If such serve is a fault then the second serve must be struck by the server without delay.

When changing ends a maximum of ninety (90) seconds shall elapse from the moment the ball goes out of play at the end of the game until the time the first serve is struck for the next game. If such first serve is a fault the second serve must be struck by the server without delay. However, after the first game of each set and during a tie-break, play shall be continuous and the players shall change ends without a rest period.

At the conclusion of each set, regardless of the score, there shall be a set break of one hundred and twenty (120) seconds from the moment the ball goes out of play at the end of the set until the time the first serve is struck for the next set.

If a set ends after an even number of games, there shall be no change of ends until after the first game of the next set.

The receiver shall play to the reasonable pace of the server and shall be ready to receive within a reasonable time of the server being ready. A Time Violation may be issued prior to the expiration of twenty (20) seconds if the receiver's actions are delaying the reasonable pace of the server.

The first violation of this Section shall be penalised by a Time Violation warning and each subsequent violation shall be penalised by the assessment of one Time Violation point penalty.

When a violation is a result of a medical condition, refusal to play or not returning to the court within the allowed time a Code Violation (Delay of Game) penalty shall be assessed in accordance with the Point Penalty Schedule.

E. AUDIBLE OBSCENITY (AOb)

Players shall not use audible obscenity within the precinct of the tournament site. If such violation occurs during a match (including the warm-up), the player shall be penalised in accordance with the Point Penalty Schedule hereinafter set forth. In circumstances that are flagrant and particularly injurious to the success of a tournament, or are singularly egregious, a single violation of this Section shall also constitute the Major Offence of "Aggravated Behaviour" and shall be subject to the additional penalties hereinafter set forth.

For the purposes of this Rule, audible obscenity is defined as the use of words commonly known and understood to be profane and uttered clearly and loudly enough to be heard by Court Officials or spectators.

F. VISIBLE OBSCENITY (VOb)

Players shall not make obscene gestures of any kind within the precincts of the tournament site. If such violation occurs during a match (including the warm-up), the player shall be penalised in accordance with the Point Penalty Schedule hereinafter set forth. In circumstances that are flagrant and particularly injurious to the success of a tournament, or are singularly egregious, a single violation of this Section shall also constitute the Major Offence of "Aggravated Behaviour" and shall be subject to the additional penalties hereinafter set forth.

For the purposes of this Rule, visible obscenity is defined as the making of signs by a player with his/her hands and/or racquet or balls that commonly have an obscene meaning.

G. VERBAL ABUSE (VA)

Players shall not at any time verbally abuse any official, opponent, spectator or other person within the precincts of the tournament site. If such violation occurs during a match (including the warm-up), the player shall be penalised in accordance with the Point Penalty Schedule hereinafter set forth. In circumstances that are flagrant and particularly injurious to the success of a tournament, or are singularly egregious, a single violation of this Section shall also constitute the Major Offence of "Aggravated Behaviour" and shall be subject to the additional penalties hereinafter set forth.

For the purposes of this Rule, verbal abuse is defined as a statement about an official, opponent, sponsor, spectator or other person that implies dishonesty or is derogatory, insulting or otherwise abusive.

H. PHYSICAL ABUSE (PhA)

Players shall not at any time physically abuse any official, opponent, spectator or other person within the precincts of the tournament site. If such violation occurs during a match (including the warm-up), the player shall be penalised in accordance with the Point Penalty Schedule hereinafter set forth. In circumstances that are flagrant and particularly injurious to the success of a tournament, or are singularly egregious, a single violation of this Section shall also constitute the Major Offence of "Aggravated Behaviour" and shall be subject to the additional penalties hereinafter set forth.

For the purposes of this Rule, physical abuse is the unauthorised touching of a Court Official, opponent, spectator or other person.

I. ABUSE OF BALLS (BA)

Players shall not violently, dangerously or with anger hit, kick or throw a tennis ball within the precincts of the tournament site except in the reasonable pursuit of a point during a match (including warm-up). If such violation occurs during a match (including the warm-up) the player shall be penalised in accordance with the Point Penalty Schedule hereinafter set forth. In circumstances that are flagrant and particularly injurious to the success of a tournament, or are singularly egregious, a single violation of this Section shall also constitute the Major Offence of "Aggravated Behaviour" and shall be subject to the additional penalties hereinafter set forth.

For the purposes of this Rule, abuse of balls is defined as intentionally or recklessly hitting a ball out of the enclosure of the court, hitting a ball dangerously or recklessly within the court or hitting a ball with negligent disregard of the consequences.

J. ABUSE OF RACQUETS OR EQUIPMENT (RA)

Players shall not violently or with anger hit, kick or throw a racquet or other equipment within the precincts of the tournament site. If such violation occurs during a match (including the warm-up), the player shall be penalised in accordance with the Point Penalty Schedule hereinafter set forth. In circumstances that are flagrant and particularly injurious to the success of a tournament, or are singularly egregious, a single violation of this Section shall also constitute the Major Offence of "Aggravated Behaviour" and shall be subject to the additional penalties hereinafter set forth.

For the purposes of this Rule, abuse of racquets or equipment is defined as intentionally and violently destroying or damaging racquets or equipment or intentionally and violently hitting the net, court, umpire's chair or other fixture during a match out of anger or frustration.

K. COACHING AND COACHES (CC)

Players shall not receive coaching during a match (including the warm-up). Communications of any kind, audible or visible, between a player and a coach (includes representative or relative of player) may be construed as coaching. Players shall also prohibit their coaches (1) from using audible obscenity within the precincts of the tournament site, (2) from making obscene gestures of any kind within the precincts of the tournament site, (3) from verbally abusing any official, opponent, spectator or other person within the precincts of the tournament site, (4) from physically abusing any official, opponent, spectator or other person within the precincts of the tournament site and (5) from giving, making, issuing, authorising or endorsing any public statement within the precincts of the tournament site having, or designed to have, an effect prejudicial or detrimental to the best interests of the tournament and/or of the officiating thereof.

If such violation occurs during a match (including the warm-up), the player shall be penalised in accordance with the Point Penalty Schedule hereinafter set forth. In circumstances that are flagrant and particularly injurious to the success of a tournament, or are singularly egregious a single violation of this section shall also constitute the Major Offence of "Aggravated Behaviour" and shall be subject to the additional penalties hereinafter set forth therefore and the ITF Referee may order the Coach to be removed from the site of a match or the precincts of the tournament site and may declare an immediate default of such player.

For the purposes of this Rule, a "coach" shall also include any representative and/or relative of a player.

L. UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT (UnC)

Players shall at all times conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner and give due regard to the authority of officials and the rights of opponents, spectators and others. If such violation occurs during a match (including the warm-up), the player shall be penalised in accordance with the Point Penalty Schedule hereinafter set forth. In circumstances that are flagrant and particularly injurious to the success of a tournament, or are singularly egregious, a single violation of this Section shall also constitute the Major Offence of "Aggravated Behaviour" and shall be subject to the additional penalties hereinafter set forth.

For the purposes of this Rule, Unsportsmanlike Conduct is defined as any misconduct by a player that is clearly abusive or detrimental to the Sport, but does not fall within the prohibition of any specific on-site offence contained herein. In addition, unsportsmanlike conduct shall include, but not be limited to, the giving, making, issuing, authorising or endorsing any public statement having, or designed to have, an

effect prejudicial or detrimental to the best interests of the tournament and/or the officiating thereof.

M. BEST EFFORTS (BE)

A player shall use his best efforts to win a match when competing in an ITF Junior Circuit tournament.

For purposes of this Rule, the ITF Referee and/or Chair Umpire shall have the authority to penalise a player in accordance with the Point Penalty Schedule. In circumstances that are flagrant and particularly injurious to the success of the tournament, or are singularly egregious, a single violation of this Section shall also constitute the Major Offence of "Aggravated Behaviour" and shall be subject to the additional penalties hereinafter set forth therefore.

N. LEAVING THE COURT (LC)

A player shall not leave the court area during a match (including the warm-up) without the permission of the Chair Umpire or ITF Referee. A player who violates this section may be defaulted by the ITF Referee and subjected to the additional penalties for "Failure to complete a match" as hereafter set forth.

O. FAILURE TO COMPLETE MATCH (FCM)

A player must complete a match in progress unless he is reasonably unable to do so. A player who violates this section may be defaulted forthwith by the ITF Referee. In circumstances that are flagrant and particularly injurious to the success of the tournament, or are singularly egregious, a single violation of this Section shall also constitute the Major Offence of "Aggravated Behaviour".

P. LEAVING THE TOURNAMENT (LT)

Any player that leaves a tournament prior to his/her elimination from all entered events, or retires from a tournament for medical reasons, without a valid medical certificate (from the tournament doctor), will forfeit all ranking points won in all events at that tournament and be subject to the penalties set forth in X. Suspension Points.

In circumstances that are flagrant and particularly injurious to the success of the tournament, or are singularly egregious, a single violation of this Section shall also constitute the Major Offence of "Aggravated Behaviour".

Q. CEREMONIES (Cer)

A player participating in the finals of an ITF Junior Circuit tournament event must attend and participate in the final ceremonies after the match unless he is reasonably unable to do so.

In circumstances that are flagrant and particularly injurious to the success of the tournament, or are singularly egregious, a single violation of this Section shall also constitute the Major Offence of "Aggravated Behaviour".

R. MEDIA CONFERENCE (MC)

Unless injured and physically unable to appear, a player or team must attend the post match media conference(s) organised immediately or within thirty (30) minutes after the conclusion of each match whether the player or team was the winner or loser, unless such time is extended or otherwise modified by the ITF Referee for good cause.

In circumstances that are flagrant and particularly injurious to the success of the tournament, or are singularly egregious, a single violation of this Section shall also constitute the Major Offence of "Aggravated Behaviour".

S. POINT PENALTY SCHEDULE

The Point Penalty Schedule to be used for violations set forth above is as follows:

FIRST offence WARNING

SECOND offence POINT PENALTY
THIRD AND EACH SUBSEQUENT offence GAME PENALTY

However, after the third Code Violation, the ITF Referee shall determine whether each subsequent offence shall constitute a default.

T. DEFAULTS

The ITF Referee may declare a default for either a single violation of this Code or pursuant to the Point Penalty Schedule set out above.

In all cases of default, the decision of the ITF Referee shall be final and unappealable. Any player who is defaulted as herein provided shall lose all points earned for that event at that tournament except when the offending incident involves only a violation of the Punctuality or Dress and Equipment provisions set forth in Article III. B and C, or as a result of a medical condition or when his doubles partner commits the Code Violation which causes the default. In addition, except in the circumstances above, any player who is defaulted as herein provided may be defaulted from all other events, if any, in that tournament.

U. DOUBLES EVENTS

Warnings/Point Penalties/Game Penalties/Defaults

Warnings, Point Penalties, Game Penalties and/or a Default if assessed for violation of the Code shall be assessed against the team.

V. DETERMINATION AND PENALTY

The ITF Referee shall make such investigation as is reasonable to determine the facts regarding all Player On-Site Offences and upon determining that a violation has occurred shall specify the punishment, other than under the Point Penalty Schedule, and give written notice thereof to the player.

W. APPEALS

Any player convicted of a violation of a Player On-Site Offence, except a Default, may appeal to the ITF Manager of Junior Tennis for review of the determination of guilt and

penalty. Such Notice of Appeal shall be in writing and filed by 5.00 p.m. G.M.T. with the ITF within fourteen (14) days of notification.

Attached to and included with such Notice of Appeal shall be a statement by the player as to the facts and circumstances of such incident along with any other evidence that the player desires to submit.

Upon receipt of such an Appeal, the ITF Manager of Junior Tennis shall conduct a reasonable investigation of the facts and circumstances surrounding such incident, and shall affirm or reverse in whole or in part the determination of the ITF Referee. In the event of a whole or partial reversal the ITF shall remove the penalty from the player's record in accordance with the disposition of the appeal.

X. SUSPENSION POINTS

Suspension points shall be recorded against a player for the following:

	Suspension Points
a) Late withdrawal	
13-7 days (14:00 GMT) before Monday of Main Draw week	1
7 days before the Monday of Main Draw week to Freeze Deadline	2
After Freeze Deadline	3
After Qualifying Sign-in Deadline	4
b) No Show/Failure to sign in at a tournament	6
c) For first warning given	1
d) For warning + point penalty	2
e) For warning + point penalty + first game penalty	3
f) For warning + point penalty + second game penalty	4
g) For any subsequent game penalty	+1
h) Default after any of the above	+1
i) Any Default for a single violation of the Code (Immediate Default)	6
j) Any Default for punctuality	4
k) Leaving the Tournament	5

Any player receiving a total of ten (10) suspension points within one 52-week period shall be suspended from competing in ITF Junior Circuit Tournaments for a period of four (4) weeks. At the Appeal Deadline, the suspended player will be automatically removed from the entry list of any tournament entered that is due to commence during the period of suspension, and prevented from entering any tournament due to commence during the period of suspension. Once the period of suspension has been served, the ten (10) points will be deducted from the player's suspension points total. Should a player have more than ten (10) suspension points when he/she commences his/her period of suspension, the balance of the points will be carried over.

The suspension shall commence from a date to be specified by the ITF, which shall take into account the time required to notify the player's National Association and all other relevant parties.

The ITF is responsible for notifying the National Associations and entry authorities of the ITF Junior Circuit tournaments of any suspension incurred by a player.

Referees of ITF Junior Circuit Tournaments shall be in breach of the regulations governing these tournaments if they allow any player appearing on the suspension list sent to them by the ITF to play. Such players will be red flagged in the Tournament Planner system.

ARTICLE IV: TENNIS ANTI-CORRUPTION PROGRAM

All players should be aware of the Tennis Anti-Corruption Program and its provisions. This can be found at http://www.tennisintegrityunit.com/

ARTICLE V: PLAYER MAJOR OFFENCES

A. AGGRAVATED BEHAVIOUR

No player or Related Person at any ITF Junior Circuit event shall engage in "Aggravated Behaviour" which is defined as follows:

- 1. One or more incidents of behaviour designated in this Code as constituting "Aggravated Behaviour".
- **2.** One incident of behaviour that is flagrant and particularly injurious to the success of an ITF Junior Circuit event, or is singularly egregious.
- **3.** A series of two (2) or more violations of this Code within a twelve (12) month period which singularly do not constitute "Aggravated Behaviour", but when viewed together establish a pattern of conduct that is collectively egregious and is detrimental or injurious to the ITF Junior Circuit.

Any player or Related Person who, directly or indirectly, offers or provides or receives any money, benefit or consideration to or from any other covered person or third party in exchange for access and/or accreditation to the tournament site shall be deemed to have engaged in Aggravated Behaviour and be in violation of this section.

Any player who, directly or indirectly, receives money in exchange for his/her participation in an ITF Junior Circuit tournament shall be in violation of this section.

Violation of this section by a player, directly or indirectly through a Related Person or others shall subject the player to a maximum penalty of permanent suspension from play in ITF Junior Circuit tournaments, ITF Junior Team Competitions and Regional Junior Circuit tournaments organized by any Regional Association.

Violation of this Section shall subject a Related Person to a maximum penalty of permanent denial of access to all ITF Junior Circuit tournaments, ITF Junior Team Competitions and Regional Junior Circuit tournaments organized by any Regional Association.

B. CONDUCT CONTRARY TO THE INTEGRITY OF THE GAME

No player or Related Person shall engage in conduct contrary to the integrity of the Game of Tennis. If a player or Related Person is convicted of a violation of a criminal or civil law of any country, he/she may be deemed by virtue of such conviction to have engaged in conduct contrary to the integrity of the Game of Tennis and the ITF Manager of Junior Tennis may provisionally suspend such player from further participation in ITF Junior Circuit tournaments and ITF Junior Team Competitions pending a final determination in Section C. In addition, if a player or Related Person has at any time behaved in a manner severely damaging to the reputation of the sport, he/she may be deemed by virtue of such behaviour to have engaged in conduct contrary to the integrity of the Game of Tennis and be in violation of this section.

Violation of this section by a player, directly or indirectly through a Related Person or others shall subject the player to a maximum penalty of permanent suspension from play in ITF Junior Circuit tournaments.

Violation of this Section shall subject a Related Person to a maximum penalty of permanent denial of access to all ITF Junior Circuit tournaments and ITF Junior Team Competitions.

C. DETERMINATION AND PENALTY

The ITF Manager of Junior Tennis shall cause an investigation to be made of all facts concerning any alleged Major Offence and shall provide written notice of such investigation to the player or Related Person involved; the player or Related Person shall be given at least ten (10) days to provide to the ITF Manager of Junior Tennis, directly or through counsel, such evidence as the player or Related Person deems to be relevant to the investigation. The ITF Manager of Junior Tennis may provisionally suspend such player or Related Person from further participating on the ITF Junior Circuit pending a final determination. Upon the completion of his investigation the ITF Manager of Junior Tennis shall determine the innocence or guilt of the player or Related Person involved, and, in the latter case, shall state in writing the facts as found by him, his conclusions and his decision fixing the penalty to be imposed. A copy of the decision shall be promptly delivered to the player or Related Person and to the Juniors Committee.

D. DISCRETIONARY REVIEW

Any player or Related Person found to have committed a Player Major Offence may petition the Juniors Committee for discretionary review of the determination and penalty of the ITF Manager of Junior Tennis. The petition shall be in writing and must be filed with the ITF Manager of Junior Tennis within one (1) month after notice of the violation is mailed to the player or Related Person. The ITF Manager of Junior Tennis shall thereafter promptly forward said petition to the Juniors Committee. Said petition shall state in detail the basis for such appeal. Within one (1) month thereafter the Juniors Committee shall designate a time and place for the hearing of such appeal and

shall so notify the player or Related Person and the ITF Manager of Junior Tennis. At such hearing the player or Related Person and the ITF Manager of Junior Tennis shall present to the Juniors Committee the relevant evidence on the matter. The Juniors Committee may affirm, reverse, or modify the decision of the ITF Manager of Junior Tennis on appeal. The decision of the Committee will be provided in writing and shall be final and binding.

If the appeal is decided against the player or Related Person, then the Juniors Committee shall tax the reasonable costs of the appeal against the player or Related Person, which costs shall include, but not be limited to, the reasonable travel and living expenses incurred by all witnesses and members of the Juniors Committee with respect thereto, if the same is not at a regular scheduled meeting of the Committee.

ARTICLE VI: MEDICAL CONTROL - ANTI-DOPING POLICY

Any Player, Player Support Team Member or other Person who enters or participates in the ITF Junior Circuit shall be bound by and shall comply with all of the provisions of the ITF Tennis Anti-Doping Programme 2016.

The ITF Tennis Anti-Doping Programme 2016 is set out in full on the ITF website (www.itftennis.com/antidoping) and in a separate rulebook that is published and distributed by the ITF to all National Associations. The ITF Tennis Anti-Doping Programme 2016 is also available upon application.

ARTICLE VII: TOURNAMENT OFFENCES

A. APPLICABILITY

This Article shall apply to each ITF Junior Circuit Tournament.

B. GUARANTEES

The owner(s), operator(s), sponsor(s) or agent(s) of an ITF Junior Circuit Tournament shall not offer, give or pay money or anything of value, nor shall such a tournament permit any other person or entity to offer, give or pay money or anything of value to a player, directly or indirectly, to influence or guarantee a player's appearance at a tournament. Violation of this Section shall subject the tournament to disqualification and loss of sanction. In the event the ITF Manager of Junior Tennis believes that a tournament may be violating this Section, then upon demand the tournament must furnish or cause to be furnished to the ITF Manager of Junior Tennis or his agent access to and copies of all records to which it has access relating in any way to such alleged guarantee, or, in the absence of such records, an affidavit setting forth the facts in detail with respect to any transaction under question by the ITF Manager of Junior Tennis.

C. WILD CARDS

No ITF Junior Circuit Tournament, directly or indirectly, shall offer, give, solicit, receive or accept, or agree to offer, give, solicit, receive or accept anything of value in exchange for a Wild Card. Violation of this section shall subject the tournament to a maximum fine of US\$5000, downgrade and/or withdrawal of its sanction.

D. CONDUCT CONTRARY TO THE INTEGRITY OF THE GAME

No ITF Junior Circuit Tournament, or any owner, promoter or operator thereof, shall engage in conduct contrary to the integrity of the Sport. Violation of this section shall subject the tournament to a maximum fine of US\$5000, downgrade and/or withdrawal of its sanction.

E. ITF JUNIOR CIRCUIT RULES

No ITF Junior Circuit Tournament shall violate any provisions of these ITF Junior Circuit Rules. Violation of this section shall subject the tournament to a maximum fine of US\$5000, downgrade and/or withdrawal of its sanction.

F. LATE CANCELLATION

No ITF Junior Circuit Tournament shall cancel less than ten (10) weeks prior to the scheduled commencement of the event.

Violation of this section shall subject the tournament to a fine of up to \$5,000, reimbursement of unrecoverable expenses incurred, downgrade and/or withdrawal of its sanction

G. DETERMINATION AND PENALTY

The ITF Manager of Junior Tennis shall cause an investigation to be made of all facts concerning any alleged Tournament Offence by an ITF Junior Circuit Tournament and shall provide written notice of such investigation to the tournament involved. The tournament shall be given at least ten (10) days to provide to the ITF Manager of Junior Tennis, directly or through counsel, such evidence as the tournament deems to be relevant to the investigation. Upon completion of his investigation, the ITF Manager of Junior Tennis shall determine the innocence or guilt of the tournament involved, and in the latter case shall state in writing the facts as found by him, his conclusions and his decision fixing the penalty to be imposed. A copy of the decision of the ITF Manager of Junior Tennis shall be promptly delivered to the tournament and to the Juniors Committee.

H. DISCRETIONARY REVIEW

Any ITF Junior Circuit Tournament found to have committed a Tournament Offence may petition the Juniors Committee for discretionary review of the determination and penalty of the ITF Manager of Junior Tennis. The petition shall be in writing and must be filed with the ITF Manager of Junior Tennis within ten (10) days after notice of the violation is mailed to the tournament. The ITF Manager of Junior Tennis shall there

after promptly forward said petition to the Juniors Committee. Said petition shall state in detail the basis for such appeal. Within ten (10) days thereafter the Juniors Committee shall designate a time and place for the hearing of such appeal and shall so notify the tournament and the ITF Manager of Junior Tennis. At such hearing the tournament and the ITF Manager of Junior Tennis shall present to the Juniors Committee the relevant evidence on the matter. The Juniors Committee may affirm, reverse, or modify the decision of the ITF Manager of Junior Tennis on appeal. If the appeal is decided against the tournament, then the Juniors Committee shall tax the reasonable costs of the appeal against the tournament, which costs shall include, but not be limited to, the reasonable travel and living expenses incurred by all witnesses and members.

ARTICLE VIII: WELFARE POLICY

Any player that enters and/or participates on the ITF Junior Circuit, and any Player Support Team Member of any player that enters and/or participates on the ITF Junior Circuit shall be bound by and shall comply with the provisions of the Welfare Policy set out in Appendix F.

ARTICLE IX: RECIPROCITY

The ITF Manager reserves the right to affirm, modify or reject with respect to any or all ITF Junior Circuit tournaments and ITF Junior Team Competitions, a suspension or other sanction issued against a Covered Person (as defined in the ITF Welfare Policy, Appendix F) either by or on behalf of the ITF pursuant to a conduct or disciplinary process under any ITF code or policy or by any other tennis organisation including the Women's Tennis Association and Association of Tennis Professionals.

The Manager reserves the right in its absolute discretion to share information concerning any complaint against a Covered Person with and/or conduct an investigation in conjunction with any other tennis organisation or any other relevant authorities. The ITF Manager may also refer the complaint and/or any information received during the course of investigating an allegation or prosecuting a charge to any authorities it considers appropriate in its absolute discretion. The ITF shall have the absolute discretion, where it deems appropriate, to stay its own investigation pending the outcome of investigations being conducted by any other tennis organisations and/or any relevant authorities. A Covered Person may petition the Committee for discretionary review of the determination of the ITF Manager.

ARTICLE X: INTERPRETATIONS

Any person or entity subject to this Code may file with the ITF Manager of Junior Tennis a request for an interpretation or clarification of the Code and/or its applicability and effect on a particular event or transaction.

ARTICLE XI: NOTICE

All written communications to the ITF Manager of Junior Tennis should be addressed as follows, unless notice of change is subsequently published:

ITF Manager of Junior Tennis International Tennis Federation Bank Lane Roehampton London SW15 5XZ England

Tel: (44) 20 8878 6464 Fax: (44) 20 8392 4737

A. PLAYER

Notice that a player is being investigated pursuant to a possible Major Offence charge shall be served personally upon him. Service of any other document required by the Code shall be deemed complete if mailed to the subject player at his home address or other address designated by the player, along with a copy to any player association of which he is a member provided that the ITF Manager of Junior Tennis has notice of such membership.

B. TOURNAMENT

Service of any document on an ITF Junior Circuit Tournament as required by this Code shall be deemed complete if mailed to the ITF Junior Circuit Tournament Director.

ARTICLE XII: AMENDMENTS

This ITF Junior Circuit Code of Conduct may only be amended, repealed or otherwise modified, in whole or in part, by the ITF.

APPENDIX E

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 Medicine Trainer 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.
- Any medical condition (inclusive of symptoms) that has not developed or has not been aggravated during the warm-up or the match.
- o 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 Medicine Trainer, 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 Medicine Trainer 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 Medicine Trainer, such evaluation may be performed in conjunction with the Tournament Doctor, and may be performed off-court.

If the Sports Medicine Trainer 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 ITF Referee or Chair Umpire when the Sports Medicine Trainer 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 Medicine Trainer determines that the player has developed an acute medical condition that requires immediate medical treatment.

The Medical Time-Out begins when the Sports Medicine Trainer is ready to start treatment. At the discretion of the Physiotherapist/Sports Medicine Trainer, 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 ITF 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.

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 Physiotherapist/Sports Medicine Trainer, in conjunction with the Tournament Doctor, if appropriate, is final. If the Sports Medicine Trainer 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 Medicine Trainer for the heat illness condition.

Note:

A player who has stopped play by claiming an acute medical condition, but is determined by the Sports Medicine Trainer 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 Medicine Trainer and/or Tournament Doctor, he/she may forfeit the point(s)/game(s) needed to get to a change of ends or set-break in order to receive treatment. There may be a total of two (2) full change of ends or set-break treatments for muscle cramping in a match, not necessarily consecutive.

If it is determined by the Chair Umpire or ITF 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 ITF Referee for the special circumstance in which the Sports Medicine Trainer 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 Medicine Trainer 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 Medicine Trainer 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 penalised by Code Violations for Delay of Game.

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 Medicine Trainer should be called to the court by the Chair Umpire for evaluation and treatment. The Physiotherapist/Sports Medicine Trainer, 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 Medicine Trainer and/or Tournament Doctor, the ITF 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.

G. Vomiting

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 Medicine Trainer 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. Physical Incapacity

During a match, if there is an emergency medical condition and the player involved is unable to make a request for a Sports Medicine Trainer, the Chair Umpire shall immediately call for the Sports Medicine Trainer and Tournament Doctor to assist the player.

Either before or during a match, if a player is considered by the Tournament Doctor and/or Sports Medicine Trainer to be unable physically to compete, or poses a sufficiently serious health risk to other players, officials or Tournament staff, the Sports Medicine Trainer and/or Tournament Doctor should inform the ITF Referee and recommend that the player is ruled unable to compete in the match to be played, or retired from the match in progress.

The ITF Referee shall exercise discretion before taking any action under this rule, and should base the decision on the best interests of the player and the sport, as well as taking all medical advice and any other information into consideration.

As a precondition to returning to competition, whether at the same or subsequent event, players who have been ruled ineligible to compete under this rule may be required to provide evidence (whether medical or otherwise) that they are physically capable of competing and/or that they pose no health risk to other players, officials or Tournament staff. All such evidence shall be subject to approval by the ITF Referee, in conjunction with the Tournament Doctor and/or the ITF Sport Science & Medicine Commission.

Subject to any other restrictions on participation, a player who has been ruled unable to compete under this rule may subsequently compete in another event at the same tournament, whether on the same or a subsequent day, provided that the Tournament Doctor determines that all preconditions for returning to competition have been met. If this rule is applied in a nation where it is inconsistent with the national law, then the national law will prevail.

Extreme Weather Conditions and Lightning

- a. Definitions
- i. Extreme Weather Conditions

Extreme Weather Conditions shall be defined as when the Heat Stress Index (Wet Bulb Globe Temperature (WBGT) Index) meets or exceeds 30.1 degrees Celsius/86.2 Degrees Fahrenheit.

HEAT INDEX											
ENVIRONMENTAL TEMPERATURE											
	21.1℃	23.8℃	26.6℃	29.4℃	32.2℃	35℃	37.7℃	40.5℃	43.3℃	46.1℃	48.8℃
	70 °F	75°F	80°F	85°F	90°F	95°F	100°F	105°F	110°F	115°F	120°F
Relative	Apparent Temperature*										
humidity											
0%	17.7℃	20.5℃	22.7℃	25.5℃	28.3℃	30.5℃	32.7℃	35℃	37.2℃	39.4℃	41.6℃
	64°F	69°F	73 ° F	78 ° F	83°F	87 ° F	91 ° F	95°F	99 ° F	103°F	107°F
10%	18.3℃	21.1℃	23.8℃	26.6℃	29.4℃	32.2℃	35℃	37.7°C	40.5℃	43.8℃	46.6℃
	65°F	70°F	75°F	80°F	85°F	90°F	95°F	100°F	105°F	111 °F	116°F
20%	18.8℃	22.2℃	25℃	27.7℃	30.5℃	33.8℃	37.2℃	40.5℃	44.4℃	48.8℃	54.4°C
	66°F	72°F	77 ° F	82°F	87°F	93°F	99°F	105°F	112°F	120°F	130 ℉
30%	19.4℃	22.7℃	25.5℃	28.8℃	32.2℃	35.5℃	40℃	45°C	50.5℃	57.2°C	64.4°C
	67°F	73°F	78 ° F	84°F	90°F	96°F	104°F	113°F	123 <i>°</i> F	135 °F	148 °F
40%	20℃	23.3℃	26.1℃	30℃	33.8℃	38.3℃	43.3℃	50.5°C	58.3°C	66.1°C	
	68°F	74°F	79°F	86°F	93°F	101°F	110°F	123 <i>°</i> F	137°F	151 °F	
50%	20.5℃	23.8℃	27.2℃	31.1℃	35.5℃	41.6℃	48.8℃	57.2°C	65.5°C		
	69°F	75°F	81 °F	88°F	96°F	107°F	120°F	135°F	150°F		
60%	21.1℃	24.4℃	27.7℃	32.2℃	37.7℃	45.5℃	55.5℃	65°C			
	70 °F	76°F	82°F	90°F	100°F	114°F	132°F	149 <i>°</i> F			
70%	21.1℃	25℃	29.4℃	33.8℃	41.1℃	51.1℃	62.2°C				
	70 °F	77°F	85°F	93°F	106°F	124°F	144°F				
80%	21.6℃	25.5℃	30℃	36.1 °C	45℃	57.7℃					
	71 °F	78°F	86°F	97°F	113°F	136°F					
90%	21.6℃	26.1℃	31.1℃	38.8℃	50℃						
	71 °F	79°F	88°F	102°F	122°F						
100%	22.2℃	26.6℃	32.7℃	42.2℃							
	72°F	80°F	91 ° F	108°F							

ii. Modification of Play

If a WBGT meter is not available for measuring the WBGT Index, then the apparent temperature should be calculated based on the chart above, and Extreme Weather Condition – Modification of Play shall be defined when the apparent temperature meets or exceeds 34 degrees Celsius/93 degrees Fahrenheit.

iii. Suspension of Play

This shall be defined as a Heat Stress Index (WBGT Index) of, or greater than, 32.2 degrees Celsius/90 degrees Fahrenheit. If a WBGT meter is not available for measuring the WBGT Index, then the Apparent Temperature should be established from the chart above, and Extreme Weather Condition – Suspension of Play shall be defined as an Apparent Temperature of, or greater than, 40.1 degrees Celsius/104.2 degrees Fahrenheit.

b. Procedures for Measuring/Monitoring Weather Conditions

The WBGT Index or Apparent Temperature should be measured by the ITF Referee a minimum of three (3) times, and a maximum of five (5) times, per day. The readings will be determined by the ITF Referee prior to the start of play and will be posted in the ITF Referee's office. Measurements should be taken every two (2) hours, but at a minimum, three (3) readings should be taken at the following times:

- i. One-half hour before match play begins;
- ii. Middle of the scheduled day; and
- iii. Just prior to beginning of the last match of the day, or prior to the start of the first evening match.

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

- (a) Following any suspension of play; and
- (b) At the discretion of the ITF Referee
- c. Modification of Play Timing and Weather Condition Change

When the Extreme Weather Condition – Modification of Play is in effect before the start of a match, the procedures set out below in Section d, shall be followed.

In the event that during the day there is a change in weather conditions as determined by the periodic monitoring, the Extreme Weather Condition Rule can be put into effect at any time on all courts, including matches already in progress. Once notified that the Extreme Weather Condition Rule is in effect, the ITF Referee or any designated official must inform the players at the next change of ends.

If there is a sudden change in weather conditions and the Rule is lifted, those matches already in progress will continue under the Extreme Weather Condition Rule. In the

case of rain or interruption to play, the ITF Referee can re-assess the Extreme Weather Condition Rule.

d. Modification of Play Procedures, Singles & Doubles

A 10-minute break will be allowed between the 2nd and 3rd sets if either player requests such a break. If neither player requests such a break, then play will continue.

The ITF Referee may also choose to delay the starting time for matches until such a time as the Extreme Weather Condition Modification of Play no longer is in effect.

- i. During the 10-minute break, no coaching or treatment will be allowed. However, a player may be allowed to receive an adjustment of medical support, medical equipment and/or receive medical advice from the Sport Medicine Trainer.
- ii. Immediately following the 10-minute break
- (a) Any delay in resumption of play shall subject a player to time violations.
- (b) No re-warm up will be allowed. (This rule also applies to all bathroom and/or change of attire breaks allowed during the match.)
- (c) A player may not receive medical evaluations, Medical Time Outs or medical treatments, unless approved by the ITF Referee prior to leaving the court or before the end of the 2nd set.
- iii. Consecutive Breaks

An Extreme Weather Condition 10-minute break and a Bathroom/Change of Attire break may not be taken consecutively.

e. Suspension of Play Procedures

When the Extreme Weather Condition – Suspension of Play is in effect, play shall be suspended on all courts including matches already in progress until the temperature falls below the criterion for Suspension of Play.

f. Lightning

The ITF Referee has the authority to suspend play when lightning is sighted. Play shall resume when the likelihood of a lightning strike has passed.

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 events, a player is entitled to two (2) breaks during a match. In boys' singles events, a player is entitled to one (1) toilet break.

In a doubles match, each team is entitled to a total of two (2) breaks. If partners leave the court together, it counts as one (1) of the team's authorised breaks. 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/change of attire break, it is considered one of the authorised breaks regardless of whether or not the opponent has left the court. Any toilet/change of attire break taken after a warm-up has started is considered one of the authorised breaks. Toilet breaks taken not 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 ITF 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 ITF 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 ITF 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.

APPENDIX F WELFARE POLICY

Any coach, trainer, manager, agent, medical or para-medical personnel and/or family member, tournament guest, or other similar associate of any player (together "Player Support Team Member"), any player and any tournament personnel, such as an official, tournament director, staff, volunteer, sponsor, health care provider, ITF staff member and members of the media (together "Credentialed Person") shall conduct himself/herself in a professional manner at all times and in accordance with this ITF Welfare Policy. In this ITF Welfare Policy Player Support Team Members, players and Credentialed Persons shall be defined as "Covered Persons".

a. Elements of the Welfare Policy.

i. Application

a) Covered Persons shall be familiar with, and must abide by, this ITF Welfare Policy.

ii. Unfair and/or Discriminatory Conduct

- a) Covered Persons shall not engage in unfair or unethical conduct including any attempt to injure, disable or intentionally interfere with the preparation or competition of any player.
- b) Covered Persons shall not discriminate in the provision of services on the basis of race, ethnicity, gender, national origin, religion, age or sexual orientation.

iii. Abuse of Authority; Abusive Conduct

- a) Covered Persons shall not abuse his or her position of authority or control, and shall not attempt to or compromise the psychological, physical or emotional wellbeing of any player.
- b) Covered Persons shall not engage in abusive conduct, either physical or verbal, or threatening conduct or language directed toward any Covered Person, parent, spectator or member of the press/media.
- c) Covered Persons shall not exploit any player relationship to further personal, political or business interests at the expense of the best interests of the player.

iv. Sexual Conduct

In order to prevent sexual abuse and the negative consequences resulting from the imbalance of a dual relationship, sexual conduct of any kind between any player and his/her Player Support Team Members and/or Credentialed Persons is discouraged.

In addition, the following conduct is specifically prohibited:

- a) Covered Persons shall not make sexual advances towards, or have any sexual contact with, any player who is (i) under the age of 17, or (ii) under the age of legal majority in the jurisdiction where the conduct takes place or where the player resides.
- b) Covered Persons shall not sexually abuse a player of any age. Sexual abuse is defined as the forcing of sexual activity by one person on another person (i) of diminished mental capacity; or (ii) by the use of physical force, threats, coercion, intimidation or undue influence.
- c) Covered Persons shall not engage in sexual harassment for example, by making unwelcome advances, requests for sexual favours or other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature where such conduct may create an intimidating, hostile or offensive environment.
- d) Player Support Team Members and Credentialed Persons shall not share a hotel room with a player at any time, unless such Player Support Team Member or Credentialed Person is the player's parent or is related to the player and authorised in writing by the player's parent. Penalties will apply to any underage player who is found to have violated this Hotel Room Policy. These penalties can include: forfeiture of points from the tournament(s) where the violation occurred and/or monetary fines equal to the amount of the hotel room rates and/or forfeiture of hotel per diem rates as applicable, for the tournament(s) where the violation occurred. Such penalty shall be in addition to any penalties that may be imposed on the Player Support Team Member or Credentialed Person pursuant to sub-Section b) below.
- v. Criminal Conduct Covered Persons shall comply with all relevant criminal laws. For greater certainty and without limiting the foregoing, this obligation is violated if a Covered Person has been convicted of or entered a plea of guilty or no contest to a criminal charge or indictment involving (a) an offence involving use, possession, distribution or intent to distribute illegal drugs or substances, (b) an offence involving sexual misconduct, harassment or abuse, or (c) an offence involving child abuse. Further, this obligation may be violated if a Covered

Person has been convicted of or entered a plea of guilty or no contest to an offence that is a violation of any law specifically designed to protect minors.

- vi. Anti-Doping Activity Covered Persons shall not commit any offence under the terms of the ITF's Anti-Doping Programme or aid, abet, counsel or procure in any way any person's offence under that Programme.
- vii. Conduct in General Covered Persons shall not conduct himself or herself in a manner that will reflect unfavourably on the ITF, any tournament, event or circuit owned or sanctioned by the ITF (the "ITF Tournaments"), any player, official or the game of tennis.

b. Violations/Procedures

- i. Any individual who believes that any Covered Person has failed to meet his or her obligations under this Welfare Policy may file a written complaint with the ITF Executive Director responsible for the ITF Tournament in which the complainant participates. That complaint shall identify the complainant and state specifically the nature of the alleged misconduct. Upon receipt of such a complaint, the ITF Executive Director shall promptly initiate a review of the matter. Such review shall be carried out by the relevant Manager or Head of Department with responsibility for the ITF Tournament in which the complainant participates ("ITF Manager/Head"). Upon request by the ITF Manager/Head, the ITF Executive Director shall have authority to issue a provisional suspension of the accused individual, pending the completion of the investigation and issuance of a final decision on the matter.
- ii. Upon review of the complaint and, where appropriate, additional investigation, the ITF Manager/Head may determine that the complaint does not merit further action. If the ITF Manager/Head determines that the complaint does merit further action, after notifying the accused individual of the charge(s) and giving the accused individual the opportunity to present his or her views to the ITF Executive Director or his/her designee, either in person or in writing, at the ITF Executive Director's discretion, the ITF Executive Director may impose appropriate sanctions including (a) denial of privileges or exclusion of the person in question from any or all ITF Tournaments, or (b) such other sanctions including monetary sanctions as the ITF Executive Director may deem appropriate.
- iii. The ITF Executive Director reserves the right to extend to any or all ITF Tournaments a suspension or other disciplinary action taken against a Covered Person by a National or Regional Association or other tennis organisation such as the Women's Tennis Association and Association of Tennis Professionals or a conviction or plea of guilty or no contest to a criminal charge or indictment as

set out in Section a) v. above. The ITF Executive Director reserves the right to share information concerning a complaint with and/or conduct an investigation in conjunction with any tennis organisation as specified above. The ITF Executive Director may also refer the complaint and/or any information received during the course of investigating an allegation or prosecuting a charge to any authorities it considers appropriate. The ITF shall have the absolute discretion, where it deems appropriate, to stay its own investigation pending the outcome of investigations being conducted by other tennis organisations as specified above and/or relevant authorities.

- Decisions of the ITF Executive Director may be appealed to the Committee iv. responsible for the ITF Tournament in which the complainant participates. All appeals under this section must be filed with the appropriate ITF Committee in writing within one month from the date of the notice of the ITF Executive Director's decision which is the subject of the appeal. The notice of appeal must include a statement of the reasons for the appeal and arguments why the decision was incorrect and include supporting evidence and make any application for a stay of execution. The ITF Committee shall decide whether to review the appeal based solely on the ITF Executive Director's investigation or whether to hold a full hearing in which the Covered Person will be given the opportunity to present his/her case directly to the ITF Committee, in which case the ITF Committee shall issue directions for the efficient conduct of the appeal. The decision of the ITF Committee shall be final and binding. Any decision of the ITF Executive Director decided on the basis of a conviction or plea of guilty or no contest to a criminal charge or indictment as set out in Section a) v. above shall be final and binding.
- v. Any decision of the Executive Director and/or the ITF Committee pursuant to this Welfare Policy may be communicated to those Member National Associations, other tennis organisations and ITF Tournament organisers deemed necessary by the ITF Executive Director and/or the ITF Committee.

APPENDIX G ITF JUNIOR CIRCUIT AGE ELIGIBILITY RULE

1. ITF Junior Age Eligibility Chart

Age	Number of tournaments permitted		
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 January and 31 December.
- Participation in an ITF Junior Circuit tournament includes singles and/or doubles and/or qualifying.
- 3. Minors under the age of thirteen (13) shall not be eligible for entry. For the purposes of this Rule, the player's age as of the first day of the tournament Main Draw shall be used.
- 4. 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 Regulations for details on the Age Eligibility Rule.)

APPENDIX H AGE ELIGIBILITY RULES

COMPETITION FOR PLAYERS WHO ARE 12 AND UNDER:-

The following rules set forth eligibility rules and restrictions for competitions and other events (including Games) for players who are 12 and under:

- a) There shall be no 11 and under, no 10 and under and no 9 and under (or younger) age category international or regional individual or team competitions or Games.
- b) In any calendar year players may only compete in a maximum of ten tournaments for 12 and under events sanctioned by the ITF, or by a Regional Association or by the *USTA and Tennis Canada.
- c) Players under the age of 10 shall not be eligible for entry into any international individual tournament, team competition, or games sanctioned by a Regional Association, a National Association and/or any other national or international organisation. In accordance with the ITF Junior Age Eligibility Rule, the player's age as of the first day of the tournament Main Draw shall be used. Players are allowed to play in a 12 and under event from the year they turn 10 years of age, and have reached their 10th birthday on or before the start of the Singles Main Draw, until the year the player turns 12 years of age.
- d) Players eligible to compete in 12 and under Competitions may also compete in tournaments for players age 14 and under sanctioned by the ITF, or by a Regional Association or by the *USTA and Tennis Canada, but participation in such tournaments will count towards the maximum of ten events permitted.
- e) Competition for players 12 and under organised by a Regional Association must be a team competition.
- f) Players aged 12 and under shall not compete in 16 and under international or regional individual or team competitions.
- g) There shall be no international or regional rankings for players aged 12 and under.
- h) The title 'World Champion' (or any similar title) shall not be awarded to a player winning an event restricted to players who are 12 and under.

*Note: For the purpose of this Rule only National Championships in the USA and in Canada count as tournaments covered.

TEAM COMPETITIONS FOR PLAYERS WHO ARE 14 AND UNDER

The following Rules are applicable to all international team competitions worldwide for players in 14 and under age group events.

Competitors for these competitions in 2016, in 2017, and 2018, including the World Junior Tennis Competition, must have been born between the following eligible birth years:

Competition	Eligible Birth Years
2016	2002-2005
2017	2003-2006
2018	2004-2007

TEAM COMPETITIONS FOR PLAYERS WHO ARE 16 AND UNDER

The following Rules are applicable to all international team competitions worldwide for players in 16 and under age group events. No competitor may participate who is still eligible for 12 and under age group events.

Competitors for these competitions, including the Junior Davis Cup and Junior Fed Cup by BNP Paribas, must have been born between the following eligible birth years:

Competition	Eligible Birth Years
2016	2000 - 2003
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2018	2002 - 2005

APPENDIX I GUIDELINES FOR THE NUMBER OF TOURNAMENTS PERMITTED PER COUNTRY

1. Maximum number of tournaments permitted

The Guidelines for the number of tournaments permitted per country shall be based on the ITF voting system according to the number of Class B or Class C shares each country is entitled to. The maximum number of events permitted shall be as follows:

12 Class B Shares - up to 7 events permitted
9 Class B Shares - up to 6 events permitted
7 Class B Shares - up to 5 events permitted
5 Class B Shares - up to 4 events permitted
1 Class B Share - up to 3 events permitted
1 Class B Share - up to 2 events permitted

1 Class C Share - 1 event permitted in special circumstances

2. Number of new tournaments permitted per year

A maximum of one (1) new tournament per year, per country can be approved to join the ITF Junior Circuit.

3. Regional Championships

Regional Closed events (Grades B1, B2, B3) shall not be counted towards the maximum number of tournaments in a country.

4. Indoor tournaments

Applications for new indoor tournaments can be exempt from the Guidelines if deemed appropriate by the Juniors Committee.

5. Countries in excess of the maximum number of tournaments permitted

Countries which had more than the maximum number of tournaments permitted when the Guidelines were introduced were permitted to keep existing tournaments.

6. Special Consideration

The ITF Juniors Committee may grant exceptions to the Guidelines where it is deemed appropriate in accordance with the calendar principles indicated in Section I, 3 of these regulations.

APPENDIX J 16 & UNDER TEAM COMPETITION FEED UP SYSTEM

- 1. 16 & Under Team Competition Feed Up Exempt Positions will be offered to players in teams placed 1^{st} , 2^{nd} and 3^{rd} in the Junior Davis Cup and Junior Fed Cup by BNP Paribas Finals.
- **2.** Two 16 & Under Team Competition Feed Up Exempt Positions will be offered to each eligible player.
- **3.** 16 & Under Team Competition Feed Up Exempt Positions will only be offered within a players' home region except in exceptional circumstances i.e. there is no relevant Grade tournament in the home region.
- **4.** The level of pre-determined ITF Junior Circuit tournaments within the players' home region where main draw 16 & Under Team Competition Feed Up Exempt Positions will be offered is as follows:

JUNIOR DAVIS CUP BY BNP PARIBAS

JUNIOR DITTIB CUI DI DINI TIRRIDIA			
Boys	1 st Place	2 nd Place Team	3 rd Place Team
	Team		
No.1 Player	1 x Grade A	2 x Grade 1	1 x Grade 1
	1 x Grade 1		1 x Grade 2
No.2 Player	2 x Grade 1	1 x Grade 1	2 x Grade 2
		1 x Grade 2	
No.3 Player	2 x Grade 2	1 x Grade 2	2 x Grade 3
		1 x Grade 3	

JUNIOR FED CUP BY BNP PARIBAS

Girls	1 st Place	2 nd Place Team	3 rd Place Team
	Team		
No.1 Player	1 x Grade A	2 x Grade 1	1 x Grade 1
	1 x Grade 1		1 x Grade 2
No.2 Player	2 x Grade 1	1 x Grade 1	2 x Grade 2
-		1 x Grade 2	
No.3 Player	2 x Grade 2	1 x Grade 2	2 x Grade 3
		1 x Grade 3	

5. 16 & Under Team Competition Feed Up Exempt Positions for players in teams placed 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in the Junior Davis Cup and Junior Fed Cup by BNP Paribas Finals 2016 will be available in tournaments starting from the week beginning 7 November 2016 until the week beginning 11 September 2017.

- **6.** 16 & Under Team Competition Feed Up Exempt Positions will be cancelled for eligible players from the 2016 Finals after 25 September 2017.
- **7.** A maximum of two 16 & Under Team Competition Feed Up Exempt Positions will be available at each relevant tournament. Priority for positions will be according to the finishing position of the team and the position of the player within the team.

APPENDIX K 16 & UNDER TOURNAMENT FEED UP SYSTEM

- 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.
- 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.
- 3. 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.
- 4. 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
Í	& Grade
No.1 Player	2 x Grade 1
in the region	
No.2 Player	1 x Grade 1
in the region	1 x Grade 2
No.3 Player	2 x Grade 2
in the region	
No.4/5/6/7	2 x Grade 3
Player in the	
region	

5. 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).

6. The number of players (Boys & Girls) per region to benefit from the 16 & Under Tournament Feed Up system in 2016 is as follows:

•	Africa	2
•	Asia	4
•	Canada (North America)	2
•	Central America & The Caribbean	2
•	Europe	7
•	Oceania	2
•	South America	3
•	USA (North America)	2

APPENDIX L SEEDING COMPARISON CHART

The following chart should be used to compare players with professional ranking against players with ITF Junior rankings for seeding purposes in both singles and doubles. If two players are on the same line of the chart ITF Junior Ranking has priority.

Example:

Seed 1 – ITF Junior Ranking No.2

Seed 2 - ATP Ranking 275

Seed 3 – ITF Junior Ranking No.3

For doubles seeding, a player with a professional ranking is considered the equal of the lowest ITF Junior Ranking in the same group. For example, a player with an ATP ranking of 501-550 is considered the equal of a player with an ITF Junior Ranking of 12.

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ITF	ATP	ITF	WTA
1	-250	1	-150
2	251-350	2	151-175
3-4	351-450	3-4	176-200
5-6	451-500	5-6	201-225
7-12	501-550	7-8	226-250
13-18	551-600	9-11	251-275
19-24	601-650	12-14	276-300
25-30	651-700	15-19	301-325
21.25	701 750	20.24	226 250
31-35	701-750	20-24	326-350
36-		25-29	351-375
30-		23-29	331-373
		30-35	376-400
		36-	370-400
		30-	

APPENDIX M THE PLAYERS

1. Definition of "Good Standing" of a Player

A National Tennis Association shall deem a player to be of good standing where he/she:

- (a) is free from a suspension imposed by his/her National Tennis 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/her National Tennis Association as being under its jurisdiction while competing in events for which the National Tennis Association has selected him/her.
- (c) makes himself/herself available for selection for ITF Junior Circuit tournaments, for official team championships, including the Olympic Games and Youth Olympic Games, and accepts the jurisdiction of his/her National Tennis Association while competing in events for which they have selected him/her.
- (d) respects the spirit of fair play and non-violence at all times;
- (e) accepts the conditions of entry of the events he/she enters, including the conditions of any Code of Conduct adopted for those events and the terms and conditions contained in the IPIN registration system.
- (f) agrees to undergo any medical control, including gender control and/or other tests, which are in operation at any event which he/she enters.
- (g) has not been convicted by a competent court of a country of an offence:
- (i) in respect of which an unsuspended sentence of at least 12 months was imposed; or
- (ii) which involved any act or omission which would reasonably be considered by the ITF to compromise the integrity of tennis, the National Tennis Association, the ITF and/or the safety of those taking part in and/or attending an ITF Junior Circuit tournament, an official team championships, the Olympic Tennis Event and Youth Olympic Tennis Event; or
- (h) has not otherwise engaged in conduct which brings his/her National Tennis Association and/or the ITF into disrepute.

A player who fails to satisfy any of the criteria at (a)-(h) above must establish to the satisfaction of his/her National Tennis Association that he/she is of good standing notwithstanding his/her failure.

Any appeal against a final decision handed down by a National Tennis Association with respect to g) and h) shall be lodged with the ITF Juniors Committee within 21 days of notification of the decision in question. Recourse may only be made to the ITF Juniors Committee after all other internal channels of appeal to a National Tennis Association have been exhausted. The decision of the ITF Juniors Committee shall be final and binding. The ITF Juniors Committee in its absolute discretion may set aside the determination of a National Tennis Association.

2. 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:

- 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 N

HOSPITALITY PROVISIONS AT ITF JUNIOR CIRCUIT TOURNAMENTS

The following tournaments must provide Full Hospitality:

Grade A, Grade 1, Grade B1, Grade 2, Grade B2, Grade 3, Grade B3

Please find following a definition of the minimum standards required to meet the Full Hospitality requirement. Any tournament found to be not meeting the minimum standards could be downgraded.

ACCOMMODATION

PLAYERS – Shared room – 2/4 players per room – all players $\underline{\text{must}}$ have an individual bed. Space in the room should be relevant to the number of occupants.

COACHES/ACCOMPANYING PEOPLE – Single room – Official National Association coach/accompanying person <u>must</u> be provided with a single room.

Private housing shall not be used by tournaments, including tournaments Grade 4-5, as a form of hospitality.

Official coaches/accompanying people must be nominated by their National Association by the Freeze Deadline in order to receive hospitality, in accordance with each tournament's hospitality arrangements. Any official coach/accompanying person nominated by his/her National Association to receive hospitality must have registered for an annual Player Support Team ID at this website: http://playersupport.itftennis.com.

The Player Support Team ID must be communicated to the tournament by the National Association when nominating the official coach. Any coach/accompanying person without a valid Player Support Team ID will not be entitled to hospitality.

Official tournament hospitality for coaches and players shall be provided separately and hotel bedrooms may not be shared. Requests to share hotel accommodation by players and coaches from the same or opposite sex must at all times be refused. The only exception allowed to this rule is when a National Association nominates a parent or a person related to the player and authorised in writing by the player's parent as the official coach/representative, in accordance with the guidelines stipulated in the ITF Welfare Policy (Appendix F).

Official hotels should be of an appropriate standard and should have enough available rooms for all players and player support team members. Players and player support team members from the same country should always be placed in the same hotel. The ITF reserves the right to refuse official hotels if they do not meet ITF standards.

HOTEL SAFETY GUIDELINES

The ITF recommends that hotels be selected for tournaments based on the following factors:

- Located in safe part of the town/city
- Safety and Security
 - o Compliance with Hotel Room Policy (Welfare Policy part iv.d.)
 - o Reception or management staff available 24 hours/day
 - o Separate security staff available 24 hours/day
 - o Criminal background checks or security screening for all staff
 - o Guests must show ID to get room keys
 - Motels or other accommodations requiring entrance to rooms from the street or public outdoor walkways are not acceptable
 - o Safe facilities available for guest valuables
- Emergency Procedures
 - o Emergency and evacuation procedures in place
 - Compliant with fire codes and others as applicable (e.g. earthquake, tornado)
 - o Hotel fitted with working smoke detectors/alarms/sprinkler systems
 - Staff trained in emergency management procedures

Rooms

- o Guestrooms require keycard entry and equipped with deadbolts
- o Guestrooms equipped with one-way peep holes
- o Guestrooms equipped with telephones
- Bathroom and toilet facilities in each guestroom, separated from sleeping area by closing/locking door
- o Disabled access and facilities available

Cleanliness

- o Housekeeping/ laundry meets national hygiene standards
- o Restaurants/ kitchens meet national food service and storage standards

The ITF suggests tournaments use a checklist to evaluate hotel suitability (an example is available from the ITF Juniors department) and that a suitable tournament representative personally conducts a check of and approves the hotel facilities prior to the tournament.

MEALS

BREAKFAST - combination of

Low sugar breakfast cereal Fresh Fruit
Skimmed milk Yoghurt
Toast Cheese

Pancakes Cold meats / Eggs

Multigrain Breads/Bagel Fruit Juice
Rice Crackers
Cold Cereals Nuts

LUNCH / DINNER- choices from

Pasta (minimum oil / butter in accompanying sauce)
Fresh Steamed Vegetables Salad
Low fat meat, chicken, turkey Rice
Fish Potatoes
Tofu Bread
Hard Boiled Eggs Fresh Fruit
Broth-based soups Yoghurt

Deep-fried foods should be avoided.

All food and drink items provided must comply with the Tennis Anti-Doping Programme.

The quantity of food should be adequate to sustain the needs of a young athlete.

APPENDIX O

ENTRY AND WITHDRAWAL PROCEDURES 2016 ITF JUNIOR CIRCUIT TOURNAMENTS

Entry Deadline:

Tuesday twenty-seven (27) days prior to the Monday of the tournament week (no later than 14:00 hours GMT)

Grade A tournaments and their warm-up events entry deadline: forty-one (41), thirty-four (34) or twenty-seven (27) days prior to the Monday of the tournament week at 14:00 hrs GMT on the Tuesday.

Under exceptional circumstances other tournaments (Grades 1-5) may apply to the ITF for an exemption from the 27-day rule.

It is the player's responsibility before entering any Junior Circuit tournament to check the correct entry deadline on the official tournament fact-sheet on the ITF website and/or on the IPIN online service. It is also the player's responsibility to check that an online entry has gone through and that a confirmation email has been received.

Withdrawal Deadline (Main Draw and Qualifying): Tuesday thirteen (13) days prior to the Monday of the tournament week (no later than 14:00 hours GMT)

Freeze Deadline: Wednesday preceding the tournament week (no later than 14:00 hours GMT)

It is the player's responsibility to make all entries and withdrawals and to check his/her position on the Entry Lists. All entries and withdrawals must be submitted online through the IPIN Online Service or in writing on the official Entry or Withdrawal Form and sent to the ITF by fax or post, to be received before the appropriate deadline. Entries and withdrawals are not accepted by telephone or via email, except after the Freeze Deadline when a signed official Withdrawal Form may be submitted as an email attachment

All players entering ITF Junior Circuit tournaments must be a member of their national tennis association and must be in "good standing" with their national associations as defined in Appendix M of the ITF Junior Circuit Regulations.

In order to enter ITF Junior Circuit tournaments all players must first register for annual Junior IPIN Membership (and pay the appropriate fee) and agree, as a condition of their registration, to accept the related terms and conditions. Failure to register for IPIN

Membership and to accept the related terms and conditions will render a player ineligible to enter and/or compete in ITF Junior Circuit tournaments.

If a player enters more than one but not more than three ITF Junior Circuit tournaments occurring during the same period, **HE/SHE MUST STATE A PRIORITY ON HIS/HER ENTRY FORM**.

At the Withdrawal Deadline:

- If a player is accepted into the Main Draw or Qualifying of one ITF Junior Circuit tournament, he/she will be immediately withdrawn from the Entry Lists of all other tournaments.
- If a player is accepted into the Main Draw or Qualifying of more than one ITF Junior Circuit tournament occurring during the same period, he/she will remain on one List and will be immediately withdrawn from the Entry Lists of all other tournaments according to the following criteria:
 - 1. Main Draw takes priority over Qualifying, and Qualifying over Alternates
 - 2. Tournament Entry Priority

If a player did not state an entry priority, he/she will be immediately withdrawn from all but one Entry List according to the following criteria:

- 3. Tournaments with the highest grade will take priority, or if equal;
- 4. The Entry List on which he/she is highest placed will take priority, or if equal:
- The tournament which is geographically closest to his/her country of Nationality will take priority
- If a player is not accepted into any ITF Junior Circuit tournament occurring during the same week, he/she may remain on more than one Entry List as an Alternate until the Freeze Deadline. However once he/she is accepted into any ITF Junior Circuit tournament, he/she will be withdrawn from the Entry Lists of all other tournaments occurring during this period.

After the Freeze Deadline:

 Players who are on one or more Alternate Lists will not be moved into Qualifying and players in Qualifying will no longer be moved into the Main Draw.

APPENDIX P DATA RIGHTS

1. Definitions

The following terms shall have the following ascribed meanings:

"DATA RIGHTS"

shall mean the right to in any way use or create or assemble official data including without limitation the right to collect, collate, store, use, reproduce, exploit, onward supply or make available any and all official data including but not limited to the live scoring rights.

"MATCH PERIOD"

shall mean in respect of each match the period commencing at the start of that match and expiring 30 seconds after conclusion of the last game in said match.

"LIVE SCORING RIGHTS"

shall mean the right to exercise data rights during the applicable match period.

"OFFICIAL DATA"

shall mean any order of play/schedule, draw, scoring (including, without limitation live match scores/inmatch incident such as match starting, challenge, a point being scored, number of aces etc.) And/or other statistical information relating to the competition, any match and/or the participants therein, howsoever generated and including without limitation PAT data;

"PAT DATA"

shall mean player performance analysis data and/or other data or information collected by and/or with the co-operation of the player and/or analysis derived therefrom during a match in the competition by means of any system of player analysis technology that is approved by ITF for use in the competition.

2. Data rights

The ITF will have the exclusive right to exercise the data rights including without limitation the live scoring rights in respect of any and all matches and/or any and all elements of the competition. Each host organiser will assist the ITF in its efforts to exercise the data rights.

ITF hereby confirms that each host organiser may on a royalty free basis use official data by the following means:

- (a) the right to use the official data excluding PAT data in official publications and on official websites, mobile applications and/or other media outlets **provided** that any such use takes place after the applicable match period and is for nongambling purposes;
- (b) the right to supply the official data excluding PAT data to official sponsors provided that any such supply takes place after the match period and is for non-gambling purposes; and
- (c) the right to use the official data excluding PAT data for in-venue purposes (including by way of example and not limitation on in-venue scoreboards) before the expiry of the match period for non-gambling purposes;

In addition the host organiser of an event and (if applicable) the licensees of traditional broadcast television in the host country may use official data in their live and/or delayed transmissions of that event provided that (i) such use is an integral part of the transmission of the television signal of the event; (ii) the official data is not used in connection with gambling or for gambling purposes; and (iii) the official data used relates only to the event which is being broadcast.

In addition ITF confirms that where ITF provides a live score centre of any match on the ITF website the host organiser may request ITF's permission to incorporate a link on their respective official websites that enables viewers to access and view such live score centre. ITF will not unreasonably refuse any request to incorporate such a link provided that the link is incorporated in accordance with ITF directions.

All other rights to use or create or assemble official data or in any way to exercise the data rights are reserved exclusively to ITF and may be exploited by ITF at its sole election.

3. Data rights protection

Host organiser shall not allow or authorise the dissemination, transmission, publication or release of any official data and/or any match score or other related statistical data from the venue.

The use of laptop computers, mobile phones or other handheld electronic devices within the venues to collate, collect, use, store, reproduce, onward supply or make available any official data and/or any match score or other related statistical data or for purposes relating to gambling shall be prohibited and each host organiser national association shall take reasonable steps to enforce such prohibition (including without limitation by means of venue regulations, ticket conditions and accreditation terms), save for incidental use within editorial reporting. The exception to this provision is host

organiser and/or ITF credentialed personnel when used in the performance of their duties.

The host organiser shall co-operate with the ITF in relation to:

- Any system or scheme that the ITF implements for the exercise, collection, supply and/or licensing (in each case by the ITF itself or via an appointed 3rd party) of live scoring rights;
- Any measures that the ITF takes to protect the exclusivity of live scoring rights and the prevention of any unauthorised collation, collection, use, storage, reproduction, onward supply or making available of official data.

ITF and the host organiser shall at all times co-operate with and comply with the requirements of the tennis anti-corruption program.

4. PAT data exploitation

"PAT Data" shall mean player performance analysis data and/or other data or information collected by and/or with the co-operation of the player and/or analysis derived therefrom during a match in any Pro Circuit tournament ("Tournament") by means of any system of Player Analysis Technology that is approved by ITF for use in that Tournament.

ITF has, subject to the rules of tennis, agreed that players using approved PAT systems may collect, collate, assemble and store PAT data from matches played in the competition subject to the following conditions:

- i. During the match the coaches and players and any technology providers or service operators involved in the collection, collation and/or analysis of PAT data shall only use such PAT data for internal analysis and coaching purposes of the respective player and/or team and such use shall be strictly subject to rule 30 of the rules of tennis
- ii. Each host organiser coach and player shall and undertakes to procure that any technology provider or service operator involved in the collection, collation and/or analysis of PAT data at any time shall:
 - a) Not publish, use or otherwise exploit any PAT data or supply any PAT data or analysis derived therefrom to third parties for any purposes other than as described in 4(i) above or that have otherwise been pre-approved in writing by ITF and shall take such steps as ITF may reasonably require

- to prevent any unauthorised access to and/or use of such PAT data, in particular but without limitation no PAT data or analysis or product derived therefrom shall be used or supplied to any third party for any purpose related to betting and/or gambling;
- b) Ensure that ITF shall be able to access free of charge any and all such PAT data live and/or delayed at the venue of the match and/or such other point as may be agreed and ITF shall be free to use such PAT data and authorise third parties to use such PAT data for any purposes;
- iii. In the event that such PAT data is accessed by unauthorised third parties and/or ITF reasonably believes that PAT data and/or PAT equipment and/or services are being used for any purposes in breach of these regulations ITF shall be entitled to rescind its approval and the coaches and players will immediately cease use of the PAT system pending resolution.

APPENDIX Q JUNIOR WORLD CHAMPIONS

	BOYS' SINGLES	GIRLS' SINGLES
1978	Ivan Lendl (Czechoslovakia)	Hana Mandlikova (Czechoslovakia)
1979	Raul Viver (Ecuador)	Mary-Lou Piatek (USA)
1980	Thierry Tulasne (France)	Susan Mascarin (USA)
1981	Patrick Cash (Australia)	Zina Garrison (USA)
1982	Guy Forget (France)	Gretchen Rush (USA)
1983	Stefan Edberg (Sweden)	Pascale Paradis (France)
1984	Mark Kratzmann (Australia)	Gabriela Sabatini (Argentina)
1985	Claudio Pistolesi (Italy)	Laura Garrone (Italy)
1986	Javier Sanchez (Spain)	Patricia Tarabini (Argentina)
1987	Jason Stoltenberg (Australia)	Natalia Zvereva (USSR)
1988	Nicolas Pereira (Venezuela)	Cristina Tessi (Argentina)
1989	Nicklas Kulti (Sweden)	Florencia Labat (Argentina)
1990	Andrea Gaudenzi (Italy)	Karina Habsudova (Czechoslovakia)
1991	Thomas Enqvist (Sweden)	Zdenka Malkova (Czechoslovakia)
1992	Brian Dunn (USA)	Rossana De Los Rios (Paraguay)
1993	Marcelo Rios (Chile)	Nino Louarssabichvili (Georgia)
1994	Federico Browne (Argentina)	Martina Hingis (Switzerland)
1995	Mariano Zabaleta (Argentina)	Anna Kournikova (Russia)
1996	Sebastien Grosjean (France)	Amelie Mauresmo (France)
1997	Arnaud Di Pasquale (France)	Cara Black (Zimbabwe)
1998	Roger Federer (Switzerland)	Jelena Dokic (Australia)
1999	Kristian Pless (Denmark)	Lina Krasnoroutskaia (Russia)
2000	Andrew Roddick (USA)	Maria Emilia Salerni (Argentina)
2001	Gilles Muller (Luxembourg)	Svetlana Kuznetsova (Russia)
2002	Richard Gasquet (France)	Barbora Strycova (Czech Republic)
2003	Marcos Baghdatis (Cyprus)	Kirsten Flipkens (Belgium)
2004	Gaël Monfils (France)	Michaella Krajicek (Netherlands)
2005	Donald Young (USA)	Viktoria Azarenka (Belarus)
2006	Thiemo De Bakker (Netherlands)	Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova (Russia)
2007	Ricardas Berankis (Lithuania)	Urszula Radwanska (Poland)
2008	Tsung-Hua Yang (Chinese Taipei)	Noppawan Lertcheewakarn (Thailand)
2009	Daniel Berta (Sweden)	Kristina Mladenovic (France)
2010	Juan Sebastian Gomez (Colombia)	Daria Gavrilova (Russia)
2011	Jiri Vesely (Czech Republic)	Irina Khromacheva (Russia)
2012	Filip Peliwo (Canada)	Taylor Townsend (USA)
2013	Alexander Zverev (Germany)	Belinda Bencic (Switzerland)
2014	Andrey Rublev (Russia)	Catherine Bellis (USA)
2015	Taylor Fritz (USA)	Dalma Galfi (Hungary)

	BOYS' DOUBLES	GIRLS' DOUBLES
1982	Fernando Perez (Mexico)	Beth Herr (USA)
1983	Mark Kratzmann (Australia)	Larissa Savchenko (USSR)
1984	Augustin Moreno (Mexico)	Mercedes Paz (Argentina)
1985	Petr Korda (Czechoslovakia) &	Mariana Perez-Roldan (Argentina) &
	Cyril Suk (Czechoslovakia)	Patricia Tarabini (Argentina)
1986	Tomas Carbonell (Spain)	Leila Meskhi (USSR)
1987	Jason Stoltenberg (Australia)	Natalia Medvedeva (USSR)
1988	David Rikl (Czechoslovakia) &	Jo-Anne Faull (Australia)
	Tomas Zdrazila (Czechoslovakia)	Andrea Strnadova (Czechoslovakia)
1989	Wayne Ferreira (South Africa)	Karina Habsudova (Czechoslovakia)
1990	Marten Renstroem (Sweden)	Eva Martincova (Czechoslovakia)
1991	Karim Alami (Morocco)	Laurence Courtois (Belgium) &
1992	Enrique Abaroa (Mexico)	Nancy Feber (Belgium)
1993	Steven Downs (New Zealand)	Cristina Moros (USA)
1994	Benjamin Ellwood (Australia)	Martina Nedelkova (Slovakia)
1995	Kepler Orellana (Venezuela)	Ludmilla Varmuzova (Czech Republic)
1996	Sebastien Grosjean (France)	Michaela Pastikova (Czech Republic)&
		Jitka Schonfeldova (Czech Republic)
1997	Nicolas Massu (Chile)	Cara Black (Zimbabwe) &
		Irina Selyutina (Kazakhstan)
1998	Jose De Armas (Venezuela)	Eva Dyrberg (Denmark)
1999	Julien Benneteau (France) &	Daniela Bedanova (Czech Republic)
	Nicolas Mahut (France)	
2000	Lee Childs (Great Britain) &	Maria Emilia Salerni (Argentina)
	James Nelson (Great Britain)	
2001	Bruno Echagaray (Mexico) &	Petra Cetkovska (Czech Republic)
	Santiago Gonzalez (Mexico)	
2002	Florin Mergea (Romania) &	Elke Clijsters (Belgium)
	Horia Tecau (Romania)	
2003	Scott Oudsema (USA)	Andrea Hlavackova (Czech Republic)

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