

TENINIS EUROPE Juniors masters

SPECIFIC RULES & REGULATIONS 2023

14/16 &UNDER





1. **REGULATIONS**

The Tennis Europe Junior Masters follow the same regulations as for the 2023 Tennis Europe Junior Tour where applicable.

2. EVENTS

Boys 16 & under singles	Girls 16 & under singles
Boys 14 & under singles	Girls 14 & under singles

3. DURATION

Minimum four days.

4. SELECTION

Players qualified for the Tennis Europe Junior Masters events will be invited through their National Association to participate. The National Association must reconfirm the participation of the player(s) on or before a date which will be communicated to the National Associations concerned separately. The final ranking taken for the selection will be **Monday 16th October 2023**.

Only players representing Tennis Europe Member Nations may take part.

Selections for the Tennis Europe Junior Masters:

The selections for the Masters events are based on the online "Race to Monte Carlo ranking" within the Age Group.

Qualified players are:

16&Under:

- <u>The winner or runner-up (if winner not available) of the 16 & Under European Junior</u> <u>Championships, plus:</u>
- One (1) wild card available for Tennis Europe.
- The six top ranked players (and Alternates if required) of the Race to Monte-Carlo 16 & Under ranking, which is comprised of:
 - A player's best six (6) singles and (2) doubles achievements on the Tennis Europe Junior Tour (16 & Under events only), including the European Junior Championships, plus:

- Up to two (2) best results from European Team Championships (Winter & Summer Cups 16 & Under).

- Points can be accrued from the end of the preceding Masters until 14 days before the start of the event, using the point allocations of the Tennis Europe Junior Ranking system for 16&Under.
- Players eligible to play in 12&Under events are not eligible to play in the 16&Under Masters.

14&Under:

- <u>The winner or runner-up (if winner not available) of the 14 & Under European Junior</u> <u>Championships, plus:</u>
- One (1) wild card available for Tennis Europe
- The six top ranked players (and Alternates if required) of the Race to Monte-Carlo 14 & Under ranking, which is comprised of:

- A player's best six (6) singles and (2) doubles achievements on the Tennis Europe Junior Tour (14 & Under events only), including the European Junior Championships, plus:

- Up to two (2) best results from European Team Championships (Winter & Summer Cups 14 & Under).

- Results from the ITF World Junior Tennis Finals (European teams finishing in the Top 8)
- Points can be accrued from the end of the preceding Masters until 14 days before the start of the event, using the point allocations of the Tennis Europe Junior Ranking system for 14 & Under.
- Players eligible to play in 12 & Under events are not eligible to play in the 14 & Under Masters.

Players can only play in one Masters event in each calendar year. If a player is qualified to play in both age groups, the player must choose which event to play.

In case of late withdrawal, an alternate from the host nation can be nominated after consultation with Tennis Europe Junior Committee. He/she should not be less ranked than No. 5 in the National Ranking.

If players are tied on points according to the selection system for the Masters events, the tiebreaking procedure shall be:

- The highest points from any individual Singles event counting for the Masters Race, followed by the 2nd highest points scored, a.s.o.;
- If players are still tied, the highest points from any Doubles event counting for the Masters Race, followed by the 2nd hightest points;
- If players still are tied, the highest points scored in any team event counting for the Masters Race;
- If players are still tied, the tiebreak shall be resolved by the Tennis Europe Juniors Manager in consultation with the Chairman of the Juniors Committee.

5. FORMAT

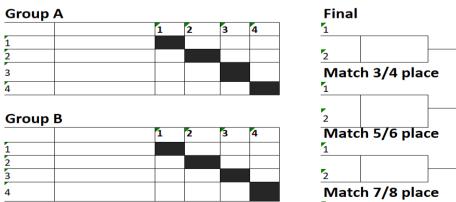
Round Robin (two groups of 4) with placement ties until the 8th place. Best of three sets with tie-break at 6:6 in all sets.

<u>Wednesday: Captains Meeting – Draw made</u> <u>Thursday: Round Robin day 1</u> <u>Friday: Round Robin day 2</u> <u>Saturday: Round Robin day 3</u> <u>Sunday: Final, Match 3/4 place, Match 5/6 place and Match 7/8 place</u>

Number of seeds: 4 based on the <u>Tennis Europe Junior Rankings</u>, considering players from the same country equally distributed in the groups.

- <u>1 seed: Group A</u>
- <u>2 seed: Group B</u>
- <u>3/4 seeds: Drawn in the second position in Groups A and B</u>
- Remaining players drawn in each group
- <u>Considering players from the same Country (the first two players according to the seeding rankings</u> will be positioned in different groups.

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6. HOSPITALITY FOR PLAYERS AND CAPTAINS

Hospitality must be granted for a maximum of thirty-two (32) players (8 per category) and one captain per Nation. Hospitality must start with dinner of the Wednesday preceding the start of the competition and will end with the breakfast of the day after the completion of the event.

Players of the same gender must be accommodated in twin with a shower or bath.

PLAYERS – Twin rooms (maximum 2 players) to be permitted include distancing, high levels of hygiene and ventilation of rooms. For increased numbers of persons in a room, requests will be considered on an individual basis and are subject to Tennis Europe approval. All players must have an individual bed. Space in the room must be relevant to the number of occupants. Players in shared rooms will be of the same gender.

We strongly recommend that players from the same national squads travelling/training together can be accommodated in a twin room accommodation together.

CAPTAIN – must be accommodated in Single rooms with a shower or bath and toilet. An official National Association coach must not share a room with player(s) but should be in close proximity to react to any emergency e.g. Fire evacuation, player illness. The only exception allowed to this rule is when a National Association nominates a parent.

7. INSURANCES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

National Associations are responsible for ensuring that all members of their team(s), and any accompanying officials in their delegation, are fully and adequately covered by insurance for the purposes of attending and participating in each event in the Competition. Tennis Europe, the Host Nation and/or Host Organiser shall not accept any liability for any participant of visitor in this respect.

All participating nations are strongly recommended to seek advice from their relevant government agencies, travel and medical providers regarding travel to any destination country and to be aware of any restrictions in place. These can change at short notice. Particular attention should be paid to local governmental measures and decisions. National Associations should contact the Tournament Organisation directly before finalising travel arrangements.

Tennis Europe cannot be held liable for any unpaid bills or any damage done at the hotel or on-site. Should any of the above occur, the matter must be settled directly with the responsible National Tennis Association. Tennis Europe, however, will appreciate to be informed.

Tennis Europe, National Association, Tournament Organiser, applicant cannot be held liable for (and as such are not responsible for reimbursing) any expenses that might occur to the players, coaches/accompanying persons and any other persons or entities due to any potential issue which may occur (i) while travelling to or from Competitions and (ii) onsite before, during and after the event.

8. HEALTH, SAFETY AND SECURITY

The health, safety and security of all persons involved in the tournament, including players, officials, tournament staff and spectators, are of principal importance. The National Association is responsible for ensuring a sufficient plan for the protection of all involved persons against any such problems is in place and implemented for the tournament.

The National Association, in association with the Tournament Director, must immediately make Tennis Europe aware of any major issues or threats (e.g. political unrest, health epidemic, natural disaster) that could impact the progress of the tournament or the health, safety or security of persons involved, whether they occur in advance of or during the tournament.

National Associations/Tournament Directors must be in regular contact (before, during and after the event) with their respective local, regional and/or national authorities.

Tennis Europe reserves the right to refuse approval of or to cancel any previously sanctioned tournament or series of tournaments at any time on the grounds of health, safety, security or any other potential threat to any persons attending or due to attend the tournament(s) or to the successful running of the tournament(s), without any liability on behalf of the Applicant, National Association, Tournament Organiser or Tennis Europe (for the avoidance of doubt, Tennis Europe, the Applicant, National Association and/or the Tournament/Host Organiser will not be liable to any Players or any other persons or entities for any costs that they might have incurred in relation to such cancelled Competitions, including, without limitation, any transport and/or accommodation costs). This decision will be made on behalf of Tennis Europe by the Tennis Europe Junior Committee or its nominee.

To minimize potential safety risks to all participants and to help control the access and movement of all individuals at the tournament venue, Tennis Europe recommends that tournaments have a security plan and system in place and that an accreditation system must be used.

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