

JUNIOR NATIONAL TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2023

PLAYER INFORMATION PACK

<u>16U National Championships – SUR-23-0294</u> Qualifying – Saturday 1 – Sunday 2 April 2023 Main Draw – Tuesday 4 – Friday 7 April 2023

18U National Championships – SUR-23-0295 Qualifying – Saturday 8 - Sunday 9 April 2023 Main Draw – Tuesday 11 – Friday 14 April 2023



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INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the player information pack for the 18U &16U Junior National Tennis Championships 2023. This document will help provide you with the information you need to enter and compete in the events.

We are very pleased to be delivering the 18U & 16U National Championships in 2023 on the outdoor acrylic courts at the National Tennis Centre, Roehampton.

In partnership with the All-England Club, once again there are some very exciting Wimbledon wild card opportunities for the Winners and Runners Up of the Singles events. In 2023 our 18U National Champion, in both the Girls and Boys events, will receive a wild card into the Qualifying event of The Championships, Wimbledon, as well as a wild card into the main draw of The Junior Championships, Wimbledon. The Runners Up will also receive a wild card into the main draw of The Junior Championships, Wimbledon. In the 16U event the Winners will receive a wild card into the main draw of The Junior Championships, Wimbledon and the Runners Up will receive a wild card into the Qualifying event of The Junior Championships, Wimbledon.

In addition, the 18U National Doubles Champion's, in both the Girls and Boys events, will receive a wild card into the doubles main draw of the Junior Championships, Wimbledon.

All the above wild cards are subject to the player's eligibility to compete in the associated event at The Championships, Wimbledon (see Prizes & Wild Card Feed-ups section on page 6).

We are also delighted to confirm additional wild card opportunities to events in the LTA Performance Competition calendar in Great Britain for 2023 (see Prizes & Wild Card Feed-ups section on page 6)

We look forward to receiving your entry and hopefully welcoming you to the Junior National Tennis Championships 2023.



REGULATIONS

The Junior National Tennis Championships are staged by the LTA and will be conducted in accordance with the ITF Rules of Tennis and LTA Competition Regulations, including the LTA Code of Conduct.

Player Eligibility

To enter and compete in the LTA Junior National Tennis Championships a player must meet the following criteria:

- a) Player must be a national of Great Britain;
- b) Player **must not** have competed in another closed national championship in the 12 months preceding the Junior National Tennis Championships;
- c) Player must not have previously represented any other nation in the Davis Cup or Billie Jean King Cup (formerly Federation Cup) or the Olympic tennis event; and
- d) Player must have an LTA membership number.

Once the acceptances have been published players will be asked to provide proof of Nationality and date of birth. More details will be sent to the relevant players.

All players must be available for the full duration of the tournament – singles and doubles (if entered).



Tournament Dates

Event	Tournament Dates	Tournament Code	Accepting Entries	Closing Deadline	Withdrawal Deadline
16U Singles	Qualifying: Sat 1-Sun 2 April 2023 Main Draw: Tue 4 - Fri 7 April 2023	SUR-23-	Mon 13 Feb	Mon 13 March 10:00 am	Mon 20 March 10:00 am
16U Doubles	Tue 4 - Thu 6 April 2023	0294	Sat 1 April*	Mon 3 April 12:00 noon	Mon 3 April 12:00 noon
18U Singles	Qualifying: Sat 8 - Sun 9 April 2023 Main Draw: Tue 11 - Fri 14 April 2023	SUR-23-	Mon 20 Feb	Mon 20 March 10:00 am	Mon 27 March 10:00 am
18U Doubles	Tue 11 - Thu 13 April 2023	0295	Sat 8 April*	Mon 10 April 12:00 noon	Mon 10 April 12:00 noon

^{*}On-site entry only (or by telephone to the Tournament Referee)

Draws, Format & Scoring

Event	Draw Size	Direct Acceptances	Wild Cards	Qualifying spaces	Draw Type	Match Format	Surface
Singles Qualifying	32	28	4	-	Elimination 32 to 4	Best of 2 tie-break sets & match tie-break	Outdoor acrylic
Singles Main Draw	16	10	2	4	Elimination	Best of 3 tie-break sets	Outdoor acrylic
Singles Consolation Eligibility: Main draw 1st round loser Days: Wednesday-Friday Sign in closes 30 minutes after last 1st round main draw singles finishes Match Format: Best of 2 tie-break sets & match tie-break					Outdoor acrylic		
Doubles	8 pairs	7 pairs	1 pair	0	Elimination	Best of 2 tie break sets & match tie-break (no-ad scoring)	Outdoor acrylic



Prizes and Wild Card Feed-Ups

Trophies, medals and vouchers

Position	Perpetual trophy to be retained by the LTA	Trophy to retain	Medal	Amazon voucher to the value of
Main Draw Singles Winner	✓	✓		£100.00
Main Draw Singles Runner-Up		✓		£50.00
Main Draw Singles losing semi- finalist				£25.00
Doubles Winners	✓	1	✓	£50.00
Doubles Williers		•		(each player)
Doubles Runner-Ups			✓	£25.00 (each player)

Wild card opportunities

STATUS OF MAIN DRAW PLAYER	TYPE OF WILD CARD FEED-UP
18U Boys Singles Winner	Wild card for Wimbledon Championships – Qualifying Wild card for Wimbledon Junior Championships – Main Draw Wild card into 1 x ITF M25 events (April/May 2023) – Main Draw Wild card into 2 x ITF M25 events (April/May 2023) – Qualifying Wild card for ITF J1 Roehampton – Main Draw
18U Girls Singles Winner	Wild card for Wimbledon Championships – Qualifying Wild card for Wimbledon Junior Championships – Main Draw Wild card for 1 x ITF W25 event (April/May 2023) – Main Draw Wild card for ITF W100 Ilkley (June 2023) – Main Draw Wild card for ITF J1 Roehampton – Main Draw
18U Boys Singles Finalist	Wild card for Wimbledon Junior Championships – Main Draw Wild card for 1 x ITF M25 event (April/May 2023) – Qualifying Wild card for ITF J1 Roehampton – Main Draw
18U Girls Singles Finalist	Wild card for Wimbledon Junior Championships – Main Draw Wild card for 1 x ITF W25 event (April/May 2023) – Main Draw Wild card for ITF W100 Ilkley (June 2023) – Qualifying Wild card for ITF J1 Roehampton – Main Draw
16U Boys Singles Winner	Wild card for Wimbledon Junior Championships – Main Draw Wild card for ITF J1 Roehampton – Main Draw Wild card for ITF J2 Aldershot (April 2023) – Main Draw
16U Girls Singles Winner	Wild card for Wimbledon Junior Championships – Main Draw Wild card for 1 x ITF W25 event (April/May 2023) – Main Draw Wild card for ITF J1 Roehampton – Main Draw Wild card for ITF J2 Aldershot (April 2023) – Main Draw
16U Boys & Girls Singles Finalists	Wild card for Wimbledon Junior Championships – Qualifying
18U Boys & Girls Doubles Winners	Wild card for Wimbledon Junior Championships – Main Draw

^{*}The wild card opportunities above are subject to a players ITF/TE/ATP/WTA IPIN being registered as GBR, plus are also subject to the players eligibility to compete in that event, and any wild card limits under that events tournament regulations.

If a player is unable to play the National Junior Championships due to illness or injury, the player must produce suitable medical evidence supporting the decision to withdraw. Players that do not do this will not be eligible for any wildcards into the summer grass court events.



ENTRY INFORMATION

How To Enter – Singles

• Players must enter online prior to the closing deadline, using online tournament entry:

Enter the 16U Junior National Tennis Championships

Enter the 18U Junior National Tennis Championships

- A player must ensure that his/her name appears on the entry list before the closing deadline in order to be considered.
- Singles entry fee £40.00 per event. Payment will be taken during the online entry process.
- Players should check their contact details are up to date on their LTA profile as these will be used to send any communication
- If you are experiencing problems entering online please contact the Tournament Director at richard.joyner@lta.org.uk or on 07971 141329 BEFORE the closing deadline.
 The date and time of the email / telephone call will be considered in any entry disputes.
 No action can be taken if contact is not made prior to the closing deadline.

How To Enter – Doubles

- Entry into doubles events will open on the first day of the Qualifying event for each age group.
- Entry can be made via on-site sign-in at the tournament or by contacting the tournament referee. The entry deadlines for the double's events are:

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16U Doubles – 12:00 noon, Mon 3 April 2023
18U Doubles – 12:00 noon, Mon 10 April 2023
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• Doubles entry fee - £20.00 per player. Payment will be taken on-site. Players must pay their entry fee into the doubles event before competing.

Late Entries

- A late entry may not be accepted if he/she would be seeded at the time of making the late entry.
- Late entries will only be accepted if the event is under-subscribed or there are places available on the reserve list.
- Late entries will join the bottom of the reserve list, in order of receipt.
- Should a late entry move to the top of the reserve list before the draw is made and a place becomes available, he/she can be accepted into the event, even though at that point, he/she could be seeded.
- After the draw has been made, a late entrant may not be accepted into the event if he/she moves to the top of the reserve list and would be seeded.



Wild Cards

The tournament reserves the right to issue up to 1 wild card for every 8 spaces in the draw. Wild cards are spaces in the draw reserved for players who have entered but would not be accepted through the stated acceptance criteria.

- Wild cards will be awarded in accordance with the LTA Competition Regulations (3.20-3.22) and the LTA Wild Card Policy.
- Where possible we aim to publish wild cards for singles events by the following dates:
 - 16U Thursday 16 March 2023
 - 18U Thursday 23 March 2023
- Any wild card spaces not used will be released and the next eligible player will move into the draw.
- Wild cards are awarded on an entirely discretionary basis, and we shall not enter into any correspondence as to why a particular player was (or was not) issued a wild card.



ACCEPTANCES

Singles Acceptance Criteria

- 1. Acceptance is based on a player's LTA combined ranking as at the entry deadline. Where this is equal the players will be drawn by lot i.e., randomly.
- 2. All eligible players not accepted will be placed on the reserve list.

Doubles Acceptance Criteria

Doubles acceptance will give priority to players in the following order

- 1. 2 players in same age group singles main draw
- 2. 1 player in same age group singles main draw & 1 reserve or non-entered singles player
- 3. 2 reserves or non-entered singles players

Where an event is over-subscribed selections will be made based on the above order of priority and according to:

- 1. Combined domestic age group ranking (using data available at the time the qualifying singles draw was made)
- 2. Where pairings are tied, the pair with the highest singles ranked player will take precedence
- 3. By lot where pairs are still tied.

Publication of Singles Acceptance Lists

We will aim to publish the acceptance list for the 16U event by Thursday 16 March 2023.

We will aim to publish the acceptance list for the 18U event by Thursday 23 March 2023.

Reserves

- It is the responsibility of reserves to check the website to track their reserve status and acceptance. Prior to the withdrawal deadline reserves will not be contacted by the Tournament Director or Referee if a space becomes available.
- A reserve will only be personally contacted by the Tournament Director or Referee after the withdrawal deadline has passed if a space becomes available.
- If a player, including reserves, withdraws after the withdrawal deadline, he/she will incur withdrawal points and the entry fee will be retained with one exception relating to reserves.
- Exception: Reserves may decline an offer to play in the 24 hours prior to the start of the event without incurring withdrawal penalty points, and their entry fee will be refunded.



SEEDINGS

Seeding criteria for Singles and Doubles

- Singles seeding shall be based on the players' LTA Ranking on the date the Qualifying Singles draw was made.
- Doubles seeding shall be based on the players' combined LTA Ranking on the date the Qualifying Singles draw was made.

PROPOSED ORDER OF PLAY

16U Proposed Order of Play		
Date Event		
Friday 31 March	Practice – times to be confirmed	
Saturday 1 April	Qualifying: Round 1	
Sunday 2 April	Qualifying: Round 2 & Final Round	
Monday 3 April	Practice – times to be confirmed	
Tuesday 4 April	Singles Main Draw: Round 1	
	Doubles: Quarter-Final	
	Singles Main Draw: Quarter-Final	
Wednesday 5 April	Doubles: Semi-Final	
	Singles Consolation: Round 1	
	Singles Main Draw: Semi-Final	
Thursday 6 April	Doubles: Final	
	Singles Consolation: Semi-Final	
Friday 7 April	Singles Main Draw: Final	
	Singles Consolation: Final	

18U Proposed Order of Play		
Date	Event	
Friday 7 April	Practice – times to be confirmed	
Saturday 8 April	Qualifying: Round 1	
Sunday 9 April	Qualifying: Round 2 & Final Round	
Monday 10 April	Practice – times to be confirmed	
Tuesday 11 April	Singles Main Draw: Round 1	
Tuesday 11 April	Doubles: Quarter-Final	
	Singles Main Draw: Quarter-Final	
Wednesday 12 April	Doubles: Semi-Final	
	Singles Consolation: Round 1	
	Singles Main Draw: Semi-Final	
Thursday 13 April	Doubles: Final	
	Singles Consolation: Semi-Final	
Friday 14 April	Singles Main Draw: Final	
	Singles Consolation: Final	



CONTACT

If you have any further questions please email richard.joyner@lta.org.uk or call 07971 141329.

Tournament Referee: TBC

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU TO THE 2023 JUNIOR NATIONAL TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS!

