



### **Selection Criteria for GB Seniors Teams**

The selection committee comprises GB Senior Tennis Chair of Selectors, Ladies Chair of Selectors, Selector of the Age Group, at least one other selector and an LTA representative. The Chair of the Seniors GB Committee will be invited to each selection meeting. The meeting for each World Championship will take place 3-6 months before the event to give plenty of time for captains and players to make all necessary arrangements. The Age Group Selector will be responsible for informing the selected team, the non-travelling reserves and players who have just missed selection. The selector of an age group is not given an automatic place in the team.

GB selection for all age groups will take into account all ITF tournaments held with the higher rated tournaments (in particular the British Open Indoor Championships, the British Open Clay Court Championships and the British Closed Grass Courts) carrying the most weight. Matches in 1000 and 700 ITF events held on the same surface as the World Championships abroad will also be assessed. Matches that are changed to a fast four scoring system will have less relevance. If this is inconclusive, then head-to-head matches from ITF events, County Cup matches and Four Nations events may be assessed. WTNs may be taken into account. This list is not exhaustive. Play-off matches may also be considered. Other important selection points are set out below:

1. Players will not usually be considered out of their age group. However, if a player moving up a category is not selected for their correct age group, they can be considered for the younger age group.
2. To qualify for selection, players will have played singles in at least one National Championships ITF event in the last twelve months. Doubles entry only will not usually qualify a player. Weight may be given to players who compete in multiple events throughout the year.
3. One wildcard or captain's choice may be considered but this player has to be unanimously approved by the committee. Wildcard players must be able to prove they are fit and playing at a high level. There must be a good reason for this player not playing ITFs and will be encouraged to play ITF tournaments after representing GB and will not be selected every year without this commitment.
4. Players have to be registered with an ITF pin number.
5. Inappropriate behaviour on and off the court by a player may have a bearing on selection.
6. For GB to send a credible team to the World Championships, there must be 6 or more British players competing in National Championship events in that particular age group. If this is not the case, the committee have the right not to send that particular team to the World Championships.
7. For the 30s and 35s age groups, the following events and criteria will be considered: ITF Masters tournaments (preferred but not compulsory), ITF and LTA Open Tournaments, previous World and GB rankings, WTN, summer and winter County Cup competitions and Four Nations results. This list is not exhaustive.

The decision of the selection committee is final