



Dear President / General Secretary / National Association Contact,

Thanks to the hard work of national associations and tournament organisers, we are currently operating a calendar with approximately 82% the number of tournaments held in the same period in 2019. We are forecast to see over 500 ITF World Tennis Tour Juniors tournaments take place throughout 2021. Considering the continued uncertainty and restrictions that remains in many regions, this is extremely positive and appreciated.

Please find key updates below following our most recent update provided in July 2021:

One Tournament a Week Rule (Regulation 41)

Effective for tournaments week commencing Monday 20 September 2021 onwards, there shall no longer be a restriction in place whereby players are not permitted to play in National or Regional tournaments in the same tournament week as an ITF WTT Juniors tournament. However, players must obtain approval from the ITF Supervisor of the WTT Juniors tournament to be permitted to play in another National or Regional tournament in the same tournament week.

Players will be required to complete a form which must be presented and signed by the ITF Supervisor before departing for any other tournament. Instructions will be sent to players before 20 September 2021.

2022 Tournament Applications

National Associations are invited to submit 2022 WTT Juniors tournament applications. Please contact the ITF Juniors department for the latest application form. Please note that Grade 2-5 applications must be submitted no later than 12 weeks in advance of the tournament start date. Grand Slam, Grade A, Grade 1, and Grade B1 applications must be submitted no later than 16 weeks in advance of the tournament start date.

2022 Hospitality Requirements

From 1 January 2022 onwards, the following Hospitality Requirements will apply at WTT Juniors tournaments.

There shall be four (4) tiers of hospitality:

Tier	Description	Summary of Minimum Level of Hospitality
Tier 1	Full Hospitality	Meals (breakfast, lunch and dinner) and Accommodation for Player and National Coach from evening before first day of main draw, until morning after elimination from the tournament.
Tier 2	Reduced Hospitality	Breakfast and Accommodation for Player only from evening before first day of main draw, until morning after elimination from the tournament.
Tier 3	Partial Hospitality	Breakfast & Accommodation for Player only from evening before singles quarter finals and/or doubles Semi Finals, until morning after elimination from the tournament.
Tier 4	No Hospitality	No requirement for accommodation or meals.

All 2022 tournaments will be required to provide the following minimum hospitality levels:

- 1. Grade A (JA) & Grade 1 (J1/B1) tournaments must provide Tier 1 (Full Hospitality).
- 2. Grade 2 (J2/B2) tournaments must provide Tier 2 (Reduced Hospitality).
- 3. Grade 3 (J3/B3) tournaments must provide Tier 3 (Partial Hospitality).
- 4. Grade 4 (J4) & Grade 5 (J5) tournaments have no minimum requirements.

In addition, the following two changes to be introduced at all hospitality levels from January 2022:



Removal of accommodation requirement for local players

Tournaments will not be required to provide accommodation and breakfast to players or coaches who reside within 50km of the tournament venue. Meals are still to be provided at JA and J1 tournaments.

Introduction of a 'Per Diem' Hospitality option for Tournament Organisers

Tournament organisers may choose to provide players with a credit for their entitled room allowance, to be used at the official hotel only. The principle of this method is that players will pay up to 50% of the published cost of twin room accommodation & breakfast in the official hotel. I.e., a player will pay 50% of the cost of a twin room if they stay on their own in the official hotel. The player will not pay anything if they share the room with another player who is entitled to accommodation that night.

If this method is chosen by the tournament organisers, full details must be provided in the tournament fact sheet in advance of entries opening. The ITF must be informed and agree to the approach being used. If not agreed by the ITF, tournament organisers will be required to pay the full hospitality costs for all players based on the hospitality requirements of the tournaments, and the entitled allowance for the players.

Full hospitality requirements will be detailed in the 2022 Organisational Requirements, available in November 2021.

2022 Entry Fee Changes

From 1 January 2022 onwards, the maximum permitted entry fees shall be revised to the following:

Grade & Hospitality Tier	Maximum Entry Fee per player
Outdoor Grade A, 1, 2, 3 or 4&5 with Tier 1 Full Hospitality	\$100 (USD) or equivalent per player
Outdoor Grade 2, 3, 4, 5 (with Tier 2 or Tier 3 hospitality)	\$70 (USD) or equivalent per player
Outdoor Grade 4 and 5 (without Hospitality)	\$55 (USD) or equivalent per player
Indoor Grade A, 1, 2, 3 (4 and 5 with Full Hospitality)	\$110 (USD) or equivalent per player
Indoor Grade 2,3,4,5 (with Tier 2/Tier 3 hospitality)	\$80 (USD) or equivalent per player
Indoor Grade 4 and 5 (without Full Hospitality)	\$65 (USD) or equivalent per player

2021 Junior Team Competitions Update

The 14U ITF World Junior Tennis Finals recently took place in Prostejov, Czech Republic. Reports and results from the event <u>can be found on the ITF website</u>.

The qualified nations for the 16U Junior Davis Cup and Junior Billie Jean King Cup by BNP Paribas Finals are now known and the Juniors departments are liaising with the qualified nations and host organisers regarding travel accessibility for the Finals which take place in Antalya, Turkey from 28 September – 3 October 2021.

Please contact <u>juniors@itftennis.com</u> if you have any questions on these items, or other matters related to the ITF World Tennis Tour Juniors and ITF Junior Team Competitions.

Kind regards,

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