



JUNIOR NATIONALS PARTICIPATION POLICY

Tennis Canada provides programs and benefits for high performance athletes who participate in the Junior Nationals and meet designated performance standards.

Adhering to the Junior Nationals Participation policy which includes competing in the Indoor and Outdoor Junior Nationals is mandatory to be eligible for the programs and benefits listed below:

- Wild Card Assistance
- Sponsorship Assistance
- International Tours
- International Team Event Selections
- National Training Camps
- Full-time Montreal NTC or RTC Programs
- Sport Canada Carding Program

Junior Nationals Participation Policy - U12, U14, U16, U18 Players

Players may enter the system and become eligible for program and benefit consideration after competing in both the Indoor and the Outdoor Junior Nationals. Once in the system and receiving benefits players must continue to adhere to the policy and those receiving Sport Canada carding must maintain eligibility throughout the entire yearly carding cycle by meeting the Junior Nationals Participation policy requirements.

Participation Policy: Players must make themselves available and compete in both the Indoor and Outdoor Junior National Championships in any age division annually unless they apply for and are granted an exemption.

Exemptions Overview

Players may be eligible to apply for an exemption from the Junior Nationals Participation Policy for reasons that may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Injury or illness
- Family bereavement
- Participating in a Tennis Canada international tour during the Junior National event
- Extenuating circumstances.

Also, previous Junior National Champions who have met the published Performance Standards (U12, or 1st year U14) or the Silver published Performance Standards (2nd yr. U14 through U18) will be strongly considered for an exemption should they apply.



Exemption Request Process

To apply for an exemption please complete and submit the application form at the link below:

[Junior Nationals- Exemption Request | Participation aux Championnats juniors canadiens – demande d'exemption](#)

Injury/Illness: Note that a medical certificate must be uploaded to the application portal clearly indicating that participation in the Junior Nationals is not possible and outlining the injury, prognosis, and recovery plan.

Participating in a Tennis Canada Tour/Family Bereavement/Extenuating Circumstances: Players training at the Montreal NTC or RTC Programs in Vancouver, Toronto and Montreal are to advise one of the national coaches of the situation.

Exemption requests will be reviewed and approved by Tennis Canada's high-performance staff. The Tennis Canada high performance staff has been granted the authority to use discretion while applying the guidelines above due to the ever-changing nature of our sport and the difficulty in capturing all scenarios.