All player interested in competing for Team BC must be in good standing with Tennis BC at the time of selection. Participants for the 2020 Indoor National championships will be determined by the following criteria:

**Please note that only players who are BC residents are eligible to compete in Davis Trading Junior Indoor Provincial Championships and only Canadian citizens or permanent residents are eligible to compete in the Rogers Junior Nationals.**

**BC ALLOCATED SPOTS**

Tennis Canada determines the number of allocated spots in each category for all provincial associations.

For 2020 Tennis BC has the following:

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| --- | --- |
| Age Category | Number of Spots available (for each gender) |
| BOYS | GIRLS |
| **U18** (2002/2003) | 5 | 5 |
| **U16** (2004/2005) | 5 | 5 |
| **U14** (2006/2007) | 5 | 5 |
| **U12** (2008/ 2009) | 4 | 4 |

**TEAM BC**

* The Indoor Selection Series Circuit will provide players an opportunity to *represent BC* at the 2020 Indoor national championships providing that each player competes in the closed indoor provincial championships. Players will be selected based on their performance in 2 out of 3 selection series events and the closed indoor provincial championships.
* Players performance in 2 out of 3 selection series events will determine whether they will be invited to take part in the indoor provincial championships.
* Both singles (75%) and doubles (25%) will factor into the players final standings.
* Tennis BC will request to use any additional unallocated spots for U12 and U14 Nationals.
* Tennis Canada will offer a National Qualifying event for the U16 and U18 categories.
	+ Events take place at the host tournament site 2 days prior to the main draw start date.
	+ Players wishing to compete in the qualifying event must make their own arrangements. They will be included as part of Team BC if they qualify through the qualifying event.

*The following circumstances can influence the total number of spots allocated through Team BC Selections (points race):*

1. Tennis Canada may award direct entries to BC players who have met the stated performance criteria as outlined in the *Tennis Canada Player Handbook*.*(reference: Tennis Canada High Performance Handbook)*
2. Merit Spot (WC) may be granted at the discretion of the BC High Performance Committee and provincial coaching staff. Only players with proven national or international profiles will be considered (see below).
3. Remaining allocation spots go to players who qualify through the Tennis BC Selection Series Tournaments (see below).

**Tennis BC MERIT SPOTS**

Players who are unable to meet the provincial qualifying process (outlined above) may apply for a BC Merit Spot (Wild Card) 30 days prior to the start of the Junior Closed Provincial Championships. Merit Spots (WC) will be awarded based on a players’ national and international profile. Players must provide an alternative competition program, only ITF and TE (Tennis Europe) events will be considered. This request must be endorsed by the players’ personal coach, and will be considered by the Tennis BC High Performance Staff (National and Provincial Coaches / Tennis BC staff) based on the following criteria:

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| --- | --- |
| **U18 Players** | Top 5 at last National Championship and/or Top 300 (girls) or Top 500 (boys) ITF Junior rankings as of 1/1/2020 |
| **U16 Players** | Top 5 at last National Championship and/or Top 500 (girls) or Top 800 (boys) ITF Junior rankings as of 1/1/ 2020 |
| **U12/U14 Players** | Top 8 at 2019 Outdoor National Championships (as long as players are playing within the category in 2020 |

**TEAM BC SELECTION TOURNAMENTS**

* Selection tournaments are open to registered BC players only.
* Events will be limited to draws of 16 (2 WC). Direct entry determined by Rogers national rankings at the time of entry deadline.
* Selection series event will include doubles (mandatory).

**INDOOR SELECTION SERIES SCHEDULE**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **CATEGORY** | **SS #1 (2019)** | **SS #2 (2020)** | **SS #3 (2020)** | **Indoor Provincials**  | **Indoor Nationals**  |
| U12 | Dec 13 – 15 | Jan 10 – 12 | Feb 7 – 9 | Feb 28 – Mar 1  | Mar 20 – 26 (AB) |
| U14 | Dec 20 – 22 | Jan 17 - 19 | Feb 14 – 16 | Mar 6 – 8  | Mar 28 – Apr 3 (BC) |
| U16  | Dec 13 – 15 | Jan 10 – 12 | Feb 7 – 9 | Feb 28 – Mar 1 | Mar 20 – 25 (QC) |
| U18 | Dec 20 – 22 | Jan 17 - 19 | Feb 14 – 16 | Mar 6 – 8 | Mar 29 – Apr 3 (ON) |

**MULTIPLE AGE CATEGORIES**

Players are eligible to play two age categories up, unless they are born 2010 or later.

Entry into the BC provincials is closed and will be based off the BC Indoor Selection series points race (best 2 out of 3 selection series results will be considered) with a maximum of 2 wild cards awarded for each category.

Players will be eligible to qualify for more than one National Championship provided they meet the eligibility requirements for each category.

**TEAM BC SELECTION POINTS RACE**

* Players best 2 out of 3 selection series results plus provincial championship results will determine which players will be granted the remaining BC allocated spots.
* Singles results contribute 75% of points race total with doubles contributing 25%.
* The winner of the Junior Closed Provincial Championships will receive an automatic spot to Nationals.

**Points Table: Singles and Doubles**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Provincials (Singles)** | **Provincials****(Doubles)** | **Selection Series** **(Singles)** | **Selection Series** **(Doubles)** |
| **W** | 200 | 50 | 120 | 30 |
| **F** | 120 | 30 | 72 | 18 |
| **3rd** | 89 | 20 | 53 | 12 |
| **SF(4th)** | 72 | 20 | 43 | 12 |
| **5th** | 61 |  | 37 |  |
| **6th** | 53 |  | 32 |  |
| **7TH** | 48 |  | 27 |  |
| **8TH** | 43 |  | 26 |  |
| **9 -- 12** | 37 |  | 22 |  |
| **Round of 16** | 0 |  | 0 |  |

\*Player must win a minimum of 1 match in order to receive any Points Race points

**VOLUNTEER TO TOURNAMENT DESK**

One parent from each family must volunteer a minimum of 2 shifts or 7-8 hours at the tournament desk during the Indoor Selection Series events (3 Selection tournaments plus Provincials). The family will be charged $75 at the time of registration. Once volunteer hours are met a refund will be issued.

**FINAL DECISIONS**

The BC High Performance Committee has approved the above selection criteria policy. Tennis BC staff, Tennis Canada’s National Coach and Tennis BC’s Provincial Coach will make all final selection decisions using this policy.