

# **INDOOR SELECTION SERIES 2023**

We are excited to spread out the Selection Series events over several clubs in BC and with that, we have been able to keep the draw sizes to 24 which will maximize the number of players in each event. The Provincial Championships will remain a full feed in draw of 16 and will include doubles.

Beginning in the 2023 season, the U18 selection process will change to best fit the modified U18 junior nationals format. Please see **U18 Junior Nationals Revised Selection Process** section at the bottom of this document. The selection process for U12, U14 and U16s will remain the same.

## **TEAM BC**

- The Indoor Selection Series Circuit will provide players an opportunity to represent BC at the 2023 Fischer Junior
  National Championships providing that each player competes in the closed indoor provincial championships.
   Players in U12s, U14s and U16s will be selected using the points race and based on their best performance in 1
  of the 2 selection series events plus the closed Indoor Provincial Championships.
- Acceptance to the selection series events <u>AND</u> the Provincial Championships will be based on the National Bank Rankings system
- The U18 Team BC merit spot will be selected ONLY based on Provincial Championships singles results

# **TEAM BC SELECTION POINTS RACE – U12s, U14s & U16s**

- Players results in 1 of the 2 selection series events <u>plus</u> provincial championship results will determine which players will be granted the BC allocated spots for Nationals.
- Selection points will be awarded for singles results only
- The winner of the Junior Closed Provincial Championships will receive an automatic spot to Nationals.

### Points Table – Provincials Full Feed in Draw of 16:

	Provincials (Singles)		
W	200		
F	120		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	89		
SF (4 <sup>th</sup> )	72		
5 <sup>th</sup>	61		
6 <sup>th</sup>	53		
7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup>	45.5		
9—12	37		

<sup>\*</sup>Doubles is mandatory in the Provincial Championships but will not count towards the points race

## Points Table - Selection Series Event - First Round Consol 32 draw:

	Selection Series	
W	120	
F	72	
3rd	53	
SF (4th)	43	
58	30.5	
916	22	
17-24	0	

<sup>\*</sup> No race points for consolation matches

- Player must win a minimum of 1 main draw match in order to receive any race points
- If players are tied, it will go to the head-to-head between those players in the selection event. If still tied, then the highest ranked player on the National Bank Rankings. If more than two players are tied, it will go straight to the National Bank Rankings

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Joe Wood <a href="mailto:jwood@tennisbc.org">jwood@tennisbc.org</a>

All players interested in competing for Team BC must be in good standing with Tennis BC at the time of selection. Participants for the 2023 Indoor National championships will be determined by the following criteria:

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

### **BC ALLOCATED SPOTS**

Tennis Canada determines the number of allocated spots in each category for all provincial associations. <u>For 2023 Tennis BC has the following:</u>

Age Category	Number of Spots available (for each gender)		
	BOYS	GIRLS	
<b>U18</b> (2005/2006)	1	1	
<b>U16</b> (2008/2007)	5	5	
<b>U14</b> (2010/2009)	5	5	
<b>U12</b> (2011/2012)	5	5	

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:

U16 Players	Top 5 at last National Championship and/or Top 500 (girls) or Top 800 (boys) ITF Junior rankings	
U16 Players	as of 1/1/ 2023	
1112/1114 Dlavers	Top 8 at 2022 Outdoor National Championships (as long as players are playing) within the	
U12/U14 Players	category in 2023	

# 2023 Indoor Selection Series Schedule

Event	Date	Age Category	Venue
			(subject to change)
Selection Series #1	Jan 6-8 <sup>th</sup> 2023	U14	Jericho Tennis Club
Selection Series #1	Jan 12-15 <sup>th</sup> 2023	U16	Oak Bay Rec Centre (Victoria)
Selection Series #1	Jan 12-15 <sup>th</sup> 2023	U12	Oak Bay Rec Centre (Victoria)
Selection Series #2	Jan 27-29 <sup>th</sup> 2023	U14	Hollyburn Country Club
Selection Series #2	Feb 3-5 <sup>th</sup> 2023	U16	The Tennis Centre Langley
Selection Series #2	Feb 3-5 <sup>th</sup> 2023	U12	Richmond Hub
Indoor Provincials	Feb 17-20 <sup>th</sup> 2023	U12 & U16	North Van Tennis Centre
Indoor Provincials	Feb 24-26 <sup>th</sup> 2023	U14	Burnaby Tennis Club
Indoor Provincials	March 3-5 <sup>th</sup> 2023	U18	Vanlawn

#### **MULTIPLE AGE CATEGORIES**

Players are eligible to play two age categories up, unless they are born 2014 or later.

Entry into the BC provincials is closed, and acceptance will be based on the players National Bank Rankings as of the closing deadline for the event. 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.

#### **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.

### **U18 JUNIOR NATIONALS REVISED SELECTION PROCESS**

Tennis Canada's objective with the updated U18 Nationals format is to prepare players for ITF junior events and for their transition to professional tennis. As a result, the events are changing to a merit-based entry process which aligns better with ITF junior and pro circuit events.

From the 2023 season, U18 Fischer Junior Indoor and Outdoor Nationals selection will become merit-based with the following adaptations:

- 32 singles knock out draw like ITF Junior events
- 1 base allocation spot per Province/Region
- 19 direct entries based on National Bank rankings
- 4 qualifier entries from the pre-tournament qualifying draw (32 draw)
- 3 Tennis Canada High Performance spots

Tennis BC will no longer use the points race from 2 Selection Series + Provincials to determine the U18 Provincial team. Only Provincials singles results will be used to select the 1 base allocation spot for BC. Selection Series will still be run as 4star ranking events but with no implications for qualifying for the U18 Provincial Team.

If the Provincial Champion falls within the top 19 direct entries based on the National Bank rankings, the 1 base allocation spot for BC will go to the next best Provincial Championship finisher that falls outside of the 19 direct entries into U18 Nationals.

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