

2024 WOMEN'S DOUBLES WILD CARD GUIDELINES FOR THE LTA GRASS COURT EVENTS

The guidelines for doubles wild cards during the 2024 grass court season have been updated and are outlined below. Please note that these guidelines will apply for events week commencing 6th June (Surbiton), 13th June (Nottingham), 20th June (Birmingham and Ilkley). They will not apply for Eastbourne WTA week commencing 27th June. The guidelines for this event are also referenced below.

The priority order for wild cards will be as follows:

1. British number one doubles player on WTA ranking partnering with a British player with a combined singles/doubles ranking of WTA 200
2. British number one singles player on WTA ranking partnering with a British player with a combined singles/doubles ranking of WTA 200
3. All British team with the potential to represent GB in the BJK Cup Finals in November 2024
4. All British team with both players being in the top 100 WTA singles or doubles ranking (or a player who has WTA Exemption Wild Card status); or an all British Junior team who have won a Junior Grand Slam in 2024; or a junior player ranked in the ITF Junior ranking top 10 playing with a player in the WTA singles or doubles top 100
5. All British team with both players being in the top 150 WTA singles or doubles ranking or an all British junior team who are both ranked in the ITF junior ranking top 20. All players should be committed to playing doubles (*defined as playing doubles in 40% of events where the player has played singles, within the current WTA / ITF ranking period, unless there is a clear reason why this hasn't been possible (for example but not limited to ranking progression in singles and not doubles whereby the player is not able to get in to higher level doubles events; in such a scenario a players commitment to doubles over the previous 12 months will then be considered)*)

In deciding wild card selection for priority 4 (and 5) teams form during the 2024 grass court season, regular partnerships (regular meaning 5+ events within the current WTA / ITF ranking period), combined WTA team ranking, team results leading into the 2024 grass court season and the significance of the development opportunity for junior players may be considered

6. Any remaining wild cards will be allocated by the Women's Team taking into account recent doubles results (pre and during grass season), combined WTA team ranking (using singles or doubles ranking), NCAA and ITF junior results (and if the wild card represents a relevant development opportunity for players U18 or at NCAA)

For the final week of the grass court season (Eastbourne) the wild card will be determined by:

- Form throughout the grass court season (with results in WTA events being more significant than ITF events)

- Ranking

Please note:

1. If an all British Team make the final of a WTA event during the grass court season (Nottingham or Birmingham) then the following week that team will be the first priority over the above criteria
2. Players with a protected ranking or with exceptional circumstances (e.g. injury/absence from the game) will be considered based on their results since returning to the Tour as well as their protected ranking (if they have one)
3. If a player / team accept a main draw doubles wild card they are expected to be available for the published duration of the doubles event.