

# 2026 SUMMER ONE DAY TOURNAMENTS (GRADES 4 & 5) 13 APRIL 2026 – 30 AUGUST 2026

If you would like to submit availability to run one day events during this period, please read the important information below.

## KEY INFORMATION – GRADE 4 AND GRADE 5 ONE DAY COMPETITIONS

**Only LTA Registered Venues are able to run Grade 1 to 6 competitions.** This ensures all tournament venues meet Safeguarding Minimum Standards and have adequate insurance cover in place to protect organisers, officials, players and spectators. Prior to submitting an availability form you must ensure the venue is LTA Registered.

**FAST4** must be used throughout the County (Grade 4) and Local Tour (Grade 5) circuits (for 11U – Open events) and players are able to play up to **4 matches in a day**. Expected draw formats are provided in our Competition Planning FAQs.

18U and Open County Tour (Grade 4) events use 'Own Age Group Priority Acceptance'. This is to help support players in the 18U and Open age groups to be able to access relevant, local competition.

Where court space allows venues/organisers are encouraged to run multiple events on one day across different ages, grades and genders.

**10U Court Trial** - A modified court size is being trialled at 10U Green ball competitions in the January - April period. Further information about the trial is available online [here](#). Whilst feedback and data from this trial is analysed we expect that 10U events in the April - August period will be played on the standard 10U court. If there is to be any change to this we will contact relevant organisers at the earliest opportunity, and in advance of the availability deadline, so they can amend their availability if they wish.

## REFEREES

- All referees delivering LTA Approved competitions graded 1-5 must hold a valid LTA Officials Licence. Further information on the Officials Licence Scheme is available online – [LTA Officials Licence Scheme](#).
- Referees must have a minimum grade of R3 to run Grade 4 competitions. R4 referees may be considered at the discretion of the LTA Competitions Team, and approval must be sought prior to the competition taking place.

## NEXT STEPS

If you are interested in delivering Grade 4 & 5 competitions, the next steps are as follows:

- Review the Grade 4 & 5 competition dates (see [2026 \(April-August 2026\) County & Local Tour dates document](#)) with your venue to confirm court availability.
- Complete the online availability form, via the [CMS Organiser Portal](#) by **Sunday 01 February**. The availability form will open on Wednesday 07 January. **Remember to use the 'Additional Information' field to tell us any key information you would like us to consider when allocating events.**

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- Venues/organisers will be selected according to their availability, the location of events within the region (we need to ensure sufficient access to competition according to the player base within a region) and previous tournament delivery experience.
- Organisers will be contacted to confirm the competitions they have been allocated by **Monday 23 February 2026**. Selected events will be generated and organisers will then need to finalise the details and submit their events for approval between the **23<sup>rd</sup> February and 8<sup>th</sup> March 2026**.