LTA COMPETITION REGULATIONS

Acceptance & Seeding Criteria

Effective from September 2019
SINGLES
GRADE 1 - 4 MINI (9U & 10U) EVENTS

Acceptances

Where an event is over-subscribed acceptances will be made according to:
1. LTA Rating of players (as at the closing deadline)
2. If two or more players are equally rated, the player’s Recent Form* (as at the closing deadline)
3. In a situation where two or more players are rated equally and have the same Recent Form, players will be drawn by lot

Seeding

Seeding shall be based on the players’ LTA Rating followed by Recent Form as of the draw date

*Recent Form is the player’s best individual tournament performance at that ball colour within the last 3 months.

GRADE 1 - 3 JUNIOR EVENTS

Acceptances

Where an event is over-subscribed acceptances will be made according to:
1. LTA Ranking (as at the closing deadline)
2. In a situation where two or more players are ranked equally, acceptance order will be drawn by lot

Seeding

Seeding shall be based on the players’ LTA Ranking as of the draw date.

GRADE 4 JUNIOR AND GRADE 1 - 4 OPEN EVENTS

Acceptances

Where an event is over-subscribed acceptances will be made according to:
1. LTA Rating (as at the closing deadline)
2. If two or more players are equally rated, their LTA Ranking (as at the closing deadline)
3. In a situation where two or more players are rated and ranked equally, acceptance order will be drawn by lot

Seeding

Seeding shall be based on the players’ LTA Rating followed by LTA Ranking as of the draw date.
GRADE 5 MINI, JUNIOR AND OPEN EVENTS

Acceptances

Where an event is over-subscribed acceptances will be made according to:
1. Date and time of entry (first come, first served)
2. If two or more players enter at exact same time, acceptance will be determined by LTA Rating, then by LTA Ranking (as at the closing deadline)

Seeding

Seeding shall be based on the player’s LTA Rating followed by LTA Ranking as of the draw date.

OWN AGE GROUP PRIORITY
(APPLICABLE TO ALL GRADES)

Where own age group (OAG) priority has been approved by the LTA Competitions Team, priority acceptance is given to those players whose competition age group is the same as the event e.g. 19 & over.
DOUBLES
GRADE 1 - 3 JUNIOR EVENTS

Acceptances

Where a doubles event is oversubscribed, acceptance will give priority to players in the following order:
1. 2 players in same age group singles main draw.
2. 1 player in same age group singles main draw and 1 player in another age group singles main draw.
3. 1 player in same age group singles main draw & 1 reserve or non-entered singles player.
4. 2 reserve or non-entered singles players.

Where an event is over-subscribed selections will be made based on the above order of priority and according to:
1. Combined domestic age group LTA Ranking (using data available at the time the singles draws were made).
2. Where pairings are tied, the pair with the highest LTA Ranked singles player will take precedence.
3. By lot where teams are still tied.

Seeding

Seeding shall be based on the players’ combined LTA Ranking.

GRADE 4 JUNIOR AND OPEN EVENTS

Acceptances

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2. 1 player in same age group singles main draw and 1 player in another age group singles main draw
3. 1 player in same age group singles main draw & 1 reserve or non-entered singles player
4. 2 reserve or non-entered singles players

Where an event is over-subscribed selections will be made based on the above order of priority and according to:
1. Combined LTA Rating of players (using data available at the time the singles draws were made)
2. If tied the team with the player who has the best LTA Rating will take precedence
3. If still tied players will be drawn by lot

Seeding

Seeding shall be based on the players’ combined LTA Ratings.
GRADE 5 JUNIOR AND OPEN EVENTS

Acceptances

Where a doubles event is oversubscribed, acceptance will give priority to players in the following order:

1. Date and time of entry (first come, first served)*
2. If two or more players enter at exact same time, acceptance will be determined by combined LTA Rating of players (using data available at the time the singles draws were made)
3. If tied the team with the player who has the best LTA Rating will take precedence
4. If still tied players will be drawn by lot

*The date and time of entry used to determine acceptance is that of the second player in the pair to enter the event.

Seeding

Seeding shall be based on the players’ combined LTA Ratings.