

MEN'S & WOMEN'S PROGRAMME OF SUPPORT

The purpose of this document is to provide an overview of the different components of support available to players as part of the Men's & Women's Programme (MWP). These components are detailed below:

1. Men's & Women's Programme Scholarships for players 16+
2. Junior Grand Slam Grants
3. National Player Camps
4. LTA Official Trips or Travel Grants
5. Tournament Bonus Scheme
6. Doubles Support
7. British Tour
8. Domestic Pro-Series
9. Wildcards into ITF, ATP & WTA events

In order to be eligible to access the above elements of the MWP, (excluding Wildcards), players must:

- Be eligible to represent Great Britain or, be committed to becoming eligible to represent Great Britain and have a reasonable prospect of doing so by no later than 31 December 2020.
- Adhere to the LTA [Code of Conduct](#) at all times and complete necessary anti-doping and anti-corruption training as required.

1. MEN'S & WOMEN'S PROGRAMME SCHOLARSHIPS FOR PLAYERS 16+

The MWP Scholarship will target players aged 16-22 who are predicted to meet the selection criteria for the Pro Scholarship Programme (PSP) within 1-2 years. Scholarships of between £5,000 and £35,000 per year will be offered for up to two years to support the player's programme, tournament schedule and any other specific needs based on their Individual Development Plan (IDP).

For further information and the full selection criteria and policy for this element, please see the [Men's & Women's Programme Selection Policy](#).

2. JUNIOR GRAND SLAM GRANTS

We, (the LTA), believe the Junior Grand Slam events are amazing opportunities for our best junior players to compete in and experience, as well as being a key way to develop and recognise the personal coaches working with these players. We also believe Junior Grand Slams are a great opportunity for the LTA Men's and Women's National Coaches to work with and support both our top junior players and their personal coaches in a high pressure environment.

To acknowledge this, we will recognise all British players (those eligible to represent GB as per the ITF rules and regulations) in the Main Draw* (singles only) of the three overseas Junior Grand Slams with a grant to support the costs of both the player and their coach^ to travel for both the warm up event and the Grand Slam itself.

Australian Open Junior Championship	Up to £4000**
Roland Garros Junior French Championships	Up to £2000**
US Open Junior Tennis Championships	Up to £3000**

For further information, please see the full [Junior Grand Slam Grant Policy](#)

* Where the Grand Slam is in the agreed schedule of the player with the Head of Men's/Women's tennis or their nominee.

**The amount shown is the maximum available but the amount offered will be based on case by case basis and paid against receipts.

^The coach must hold a valid qualification and LTA Accreditation.

3. NATIONAL PLAYER CAMPS

The National Camps are an important element of the Men's & Women's Programme, as they are specifically focused on supporting the day to day standards and development of players and their personal coaching teams. Each camp will have a specific focus with clear outcomes and advice for players and their coaches to take back to their regular training environments, which we hope will help support the work each player and their coaching team do daily. Whilst the camps are specifically designed for the benefit of the players, there may be opportunities on some camps for personal coaches to attend, interact and work with the national camp staff to support the work undertaken on the camp when they return to their normal training environment.

For further information on the selection process for these activities please see the [Men's & Women's Programme Activity Selection Policy](#)

To see when National Camps are being run, please see the [2020 Men's & Women's Programme Activity Calendar](#).

4. LTA OFFICIAL TRIPS OR TRAVEL GRANTS

Official trips are one of the activities of the Men's & Women's Programme which is focused on providing exceptional training, learning and competition opportunities for Britain's best players. Official trips are run by the LTA to identified international events during the year to allow top British 14+ players to gain experience and exposure of the relevant international level.

For further information, please see the [MWP Activity Selection Policy](#), and to see which Official Trips are being run, please see the [2020 Men's & Women's Programme Activity Calendar](#).

In some instances Travel Grants will be awarded for overseas tournaments where an official trip is not planned. This is to help players progress in order for them to transition to the next stage of the pathway or, for senior players, where a player has shown outstanding recent results to put themselves in contention to reach Grand Slam qualifying. Travel Grants will be awarded in line with the [MWP Activity Selection Policy](#).

Players who are on the PSP or who receive a MWP scholarship are not eligible for additional travel grants, however these players are eligible and may be selected for Official Trips or GB representative events as well as eligible for Junior Grand Slam Grants.

5. TOURNAMENT BONUS SCHEME

The Tournament Bonus Scheme (TBS) is designed to help facilitate and support the success of players who are achieving relevant high level results on the international stage and making progress towards playing ATP / WTA tour level tennis, but are not part of the Pro Scholarship Programme (PSP). It offers a financial bonus for reaching relevant rounds of senior international events.

Players who are on the PSP are not eligible to claim through the TBS, however players who receive a MWP scholarship are eligible.

For full information including how much can be claimed per round, criteria and how to make a claim, please see the full [Tournament Bonus Scheme Policy](#).

6. DOUBLES SUPPORT

The LTA Men's and Women's Team will provide remote feedback to identified players and teams using expert coaches to review footage supplied to them. The Head of Men's and Women's Tennis will notify players who are eligible for this support and the process for receiving feedback.

7. BRITISH TOUR

The British Tour provides a circuit of tournaments designed to give up and coming players the opportunity to gain experience in their quest to become professional tennis players. It provides competition for professional players in the UK in-between competing in professional events both in the UK and abroad, as well as providing a national level open competition circuit. The tournaments are grade 1 (premier & tier 1) & grade 2 (tier 2) and therefore primarily aimed at performance players with a rating of 4.2 or better, although any rating may enter.

For 2020 there will again remain 5 Premier events and these have been strategically scheduled ahead of domestic Pro-Series events. This is to allow players to spend several weeks in a row competing in the UK as well as the reward of feed-up Wildcards into the relevant swing of Pro-Series events. These Wildcards can be earned through winning or reaching the final of the Premier British Tours, for full information on this please see section 9. In addition the increased prize money at the Premier tier from 2019 will continue.

For further information and full schedule, please see the [British Tour](#) section on the LTA Website.

8. DOMESTIC PRO-SERIES AND CHALLENGERS

The GB Pro-Series represents both men's and women's events that are part of the ITF World Tennis Tour taking place in Great Britain with prize money ranging from \$15,000 to \$100,000. The LTA also host a number of ATP Challenger events too. This level of competition features many of the worlds up and coming players who are looking to progress to compete on the main ATP and WTA Tours.

These events allow British players to compete on home soil which saves the costs associated with travelling abroad as well as having the opportunity to receive wildcards into these international events. For full details around the wildcards please see section 9.



For further information, please see the [GB Pro Series](#) and [Trophy Series](#) sections on the LTA Website.

9. WILDCARDS INTO ITF, ATP & WTA EVENTS

A 'wild card' is a player included in the draw of an event at the discretion of the tournament's organising committee or organisation.

Both main draw and qualifying wild cards may be made available at international domestic events.

Because the LTA runs and organises some tournaments (LTA Staged Tournaments), the LTA is able to allocate wild cards in the draws of the events within those tournaments. The LTA selects the players who receive the available wild cards for LTA Staged Tournaments.

For further information and details on how players are allocated wildcards, please see the full [LTA Wildcard Policy](#).

Players can earn specific feed-up Wildcard opportunities for winning or reaching the final of Premier or tier 1 level British Tours. The full breakdown of these opportunities can be found at the following links:

[Women's Feed up Wildcards](#)

[Men's Feed up Wildcards](#)

10. QUESTIONS AND CONTACTS

If you have any questions on any area of the Men's & Women's Programme please email Alastair.Lawrance@lta.org.uk

