

**THE ITF/CAT INDIVIDUAL AFRICAN JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS 2018**  
**ON HARD COURTS (IAJCHC) FOR 14 & UNDER**

**Pretoria – South Africa, from 26<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018**

Organized by the Confederation of African Tennis (CAT) in conjunction with the International Tennis Federation (ITF) and Tennis South Africa (TSA), with the support of the Grand Slam Development Fund (GSDF)

**The Championships will take place at the  
University of Pretoria HPC – South Africa**

**Entry Deadline: Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION:**

The African Junior Championships on Hard Court (AJCHC) will be preceded as per last year by an ITF/CAT Open Tournament of Grade (1) which can serve as a Warm up event for the players eligible to enter on it and who are accepted to take part at the **ITF/CAT INDIVIDUAL AFRICAN JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS ON HARD COURTS (IAJCHC) FOR 14 & UNDER 2018**

### **I. SINGLES EVENTS**

A.	Boys 14 & Under	Born between 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2004 and 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2007 – having turned 11 years old before or the 1 <sup>st</sup> day of the Championship.
B.	Girls 14 & Under	Born between 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2004 and 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2007 – having turned 11 years old before or the 1 <sup>st</sup> day of the Championship.

## **Eligibility, Entries & Selection/Choice Procedures for the AJCHC for 14 & U for 2018**

### **Eligibility:**

Players eligible to compete must be born between 1<sup>st</sup> January 2004 and 31 December 2007 and having turned 11 years old before or the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the Championships.

### **Entries:**

Each National Association is eligible to enter up to a **MAXIMUM** of Four (4) Players in each Gender.

### **Selection/Choice Procedures of the Players:**

In 2018, and as Circulated to all National Federations early in October 2017, the Selection/Choice of the players to take part at the African Junior Championships on Hard Court will be based on the following procedures:

- 1- The final Teams' Ranking for 14 & under during the previous AJCs on Hard and on Clay Court (2017) for both gender – boys and girls:**

### **Number of « Places »: 8 in each Gender (1 per Country)**

The following National Federations of each of the teams ranked from the **1<sup>st</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> place** boys & girls in the 14 & under teams' ranking of the two AJCs (hard court & clay court) are eligible to enter one (1) player **who will automatically be accepted.**

As follow the concerned countries based on the ranking recorded after the **1<sup>st</sup> and the 2<sup>nd</sup> AJC 14 & U:**

<b>BOYS</b>		<b>GIRLS</b>	
1	Morocco	1	Egypt
2	South Africa	2	Morocco
3	Egypt	3	South Africa
4	Tunisia	4	Tunisia
5	Madagascar	5	Kenya
6	Namibia	6	Madagascar
7	Zimbabwe	7	Nigeria
8	Côte d'Ivoire	8	Cameroon

- 2- The African 14 & Under Ranking:**

### **Number of « Places »: 14**

Among the players entered by each national Federation, the best (14) ranked players according to the 14&U African Ranking which will appear at the entry deadline (3 weeks prior to the AJCHC) will be selected to take part at the AJCHC.

- It's clear that those national Federations eligible to nominate 1 player, according to the Procedure (2) above, have to enter others players than the one nominated according to the Procedure (1).

- 3- ITF/CAT Places following the results of the Zones' Championships:**

### **Number of « Places »: 8**

(8) Places will be allocated by the CAT in consultation with the Development Officers according to the results recorded by the best players of each region following the individual zonal competitions of the 14 years and under which took place in January/February in all regions.

2 Places will be allocated to each region: North, Southern, East & West-Center.

\* It's clear that the players to be selected shall be other than the ones who are already accepted over the Procedures (1) & (2) above.

As follow the names of the players in each region and their ranking following the Zones' Championships **among whom only 2 players per region** will be selected to take part at the AJCHC (other than those to be accepted over the Procedures (1) & (2)).

## BOYS

NORTH REGION		WEST&CENTRE REGION		EASTERN REGION		SOUTHERN REGION	
#	NAMES	#	NAMES	#	NAMES	#	NAMES
1	OUESLATI MOHAMED AMINE (TUN)	1	KUSHIMO USMAN (NGR)	1	MBOGORO JAYSON (KEN)	1	VAN SCHALKWYK CONNOR (NAM)
2	HAMOUTI AMINE (MAR)	2	KPODEZIAOU MARIANO (BEN)	2	SHAH KAEI (KEN)	2	LOUBSER ROHAN (RSA)
3	BRAHIMI RAMZI (ALG)	3	PADIO ISAAC (TOG)	3	ALAGWA KANUTI OMARY (TAN)	3	BADENHORST DEVIN (RSA)
4	BEZZAZ OTHMAN (MAR)	4	IBRAHIM SULEIMAN (NGR)	4	NDUWIMANA ABDULNURU (BDI)	4	OOSTHUIZEN MARNUS (RSA)
5	CHEDLY KARIM (TUN)	5	OKINE RICHARD (GHA)	5	MUSSA KASHINDI (BDI)	5	LAM HAU CHING JAKE (MRI)
6	BENNOUR ANAS (TUN)	6	AYAABA DESMOND (GHA)	6	MFASHINGABO JOSEPH JR (RWA)	6	RAKOTONDRAINIBE SAMPRAS (MAD)
7	GHETTAS MOHAMED REDHA (ALG)	7	ADZOKATSE KENNETH (GHA)	7	SAGALA BRANDON (KEN)	7	SEETSO DENZEL (BOT)
8	SOLTANI IBRAHIM (ALG)	8	DOSSEH URIEL (TOG)	8	HAKIZUMWAMI JUNIOR (RWA)	8	ZALOMIUS LYLE (ZIM)
9	SEDRATI DRISS (MAR)	9	ABUA CANICE JOSEPH (NGR)	9	IZELLE KELLY (RWA)	9	ACOU AUXENCE (MRI)
10	MEEKAEIL MOHAMMED (LBA)	10	KOUADIO PATERNE (CIV)	10	RAMADHAN RASHID (TAN)	10	BADZA BENEDICT (ZIM)
11	ASHAYBANI ABDULLAH (LBA)	11	DOGBEFU ANDRE (TOG)	11	NDAYISHIYIME ABDILLAH (BDI)	11	LAI FAT FUR LUCAS (MRI)
12	ASKANDER ELYAS (LBA)	12	NSHANO HERMANN (CMR)	12	MELLA NICOLAS JEN (TAN)	12	GAETSALOE JONATHAN (BOT)

## GIRLS

NORTH REGION		WEST&CENTRE REGION		EASTERN REGION		SOUTHERN REGION	
#	NAMES	#	NAMES	#	NAMES	#	NAMES
1	JERIBI GHaida (TUN)	1	EDWARDS MARYLOVE (NGR)	1	OKUTOYI ANGELA (KEN)	1	MATUKUTIRE NICOLE (ZIM)
2	MEBARKI BOUCHRA (ALG)	2	NIANGADOU COUMBA (MLI)	2	ASUMWA ROSELINA (KEN)	2	GREYLING LINE (RSA)
3	RACIL RANIM (TUN)	3	NFORMI STEPHANY (CMR)	3	OWEGI ALICIA (KEN)	3	JANSE VAN VUUREN HEIKE (RSA)
4	AMMOR MALEK (MAR)	4	TALAKI VALENTINE (TOG)	4	AKIMANA SAUDA (BDI)	4	MASHISA CLAIRE (ZIM)
5	ENNACIRI MANEL (MAR)	5	NAHUM GLORIANNA (BEN)	5	BIRUNGI WINNIE (UGA)	5	RASENDRA MIOTISOA (MAD)
6	AL AOUNI AYA (MAR)	6	COULIBALY SADJO (CIV)	6	HORPINITCH ARIELLE (SEY)	6	MANYUBE NALEDI (RSA)
7	CHRIF INES (ALG)	7	MINET LILIBELLE (CIV)	7	MOSIMANN LIA HASHIKI (UGA)	7	RAKOTARILALA RANDY (MAD)
8	ARNAOUT AMINA (ALG)	8	NOUDOGBESSI RODIA (BEN)	8	MAO SHANA (TAN)	8	RAZAKANANAINA MAHOLY (MAD)
9	JENDOUBI RAHMA (TUN)	9	SOPOUDE GRACE (CIV)	9	AKEZA ZAITUNI (BDI)	9	YOURI EKUA REFILWE (BOT)
10	BAATICHE SARAH (ALG)	10	ATANA BERRACA (CMR)	10	MANIRAKIZA AZIZA (BDI)	10	MONNAYOO LEUNGO (BOT)
11	GHETTAS IMENE (ALG)	11	ONAJA IYE (NGR)	11	LEMA DEBORAH (TAN)	11	KHABELE KAMOHELO (LES)
12	BOUKHOULDA CHIRAZ (ALG)	12	LEMONGO RORRAH (CMR)	12	LYMO GLORY (TAN)	12	RAMASAWMY MALIKA (MRI)

**Notice:**

Concerning places that will be allocated to each region (2 per Zone), the names of the players will be announced by the deadline for entries at the AJCHC, **3 weeks** before the AJCHC starts. These names will be added to those who will be selected according to procedures (1) and (2).

**NB:** The maximum number of players per Country, with the exception of the host Country shall not in any case exceed four (4).

**4- Wild Cards for the Host Nation:**

(2) Wild Cards will be allocated to players of the host Country.

Number of « Places »: **2**

**II. DOUBLES EVENTS**

There will be open doubles events in both boys and girls.

At the 14&U African Junior Championships, trophies will be awarded to pairs winning the boys' and girls' doubles events. These events count towards the Team Trophy (see below for doubles points table). Players of the same country must play together. If a country has an odd number of players in a particular category, it is possible for the player to play with a partner from another country in the same situation. Players who do not compete in or retire from the singles main draw or feed-in placement draw will be automatically defaulted in doubles unless there is a valid medical reason certified by the official doctor. If a player who had previously retired from singles wants to play in doubles, he/she will need to be reassessed by the tournament doctor/physio who will have the final decision on the matter. All players playing in the singles event are eligible to participate. The entry deadlines for the doubles will be announced at the coaches meetings.

**III- PROGRAMME OF THE COMPETITION:****DAILY PROGRAMME**

Day	Event
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> March 2018	Players & coaches arriving to University of Pretoria HPC
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> March 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Practice day</li> <li>• Technical Meeting + making the Draws at 18:00</li> </ul>
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2018	1 <sup>st</sup> Round in Singles for Boys & Girls 1 <sup>st</sup> Round in Doubles for Boys & Girls
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2018	2 <sup>nd</sup> Round in Singles for Boys & Girls ¼ Finals in Doubles for Boys & Girls Placement matches 17 to 32
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2018	¼ Finals in Singles for Boys & Girls ½ Finals in Doubles for Boys & Girls Placement matches 9 to 32
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> March 2018	½ Finals in Singles for Boys & Girls Finals in Doubles for Boys & Girls Placement matches 5 to 32 Players' Party
Saturday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2018	Finals in Singles for Boys & Girls Placement matches 3 & 4 Placement matches 5 to 32 Closing Ceremony following Finals
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2018	Players & coaches departure

**IV- AGE GROUP TROPHY:**

At the end of the African Junior Championships on Hard Court for 14&U (AJCHC) a final country ranking will be determined on the basis of accumulation of points in the boys' and girls' singles and doubles events. The two best singles' results for boys + the two best singles' results for girls + the two best individual doubles' results for boys + the two best individual doubles' results for girls will be counted to arrive at the Total.

The nation ranked first will win the Age Group Trophy.

**\*NB:** The Age Group Trophy will be also awarded for each AJC Age groups (16 & U, 18 & U and the 14 & U on Clay Courts)

## Point Tables

1. A player can win points based on their final position in the event. However, to qualify for points, a player must have won at least one match (byes do not count as matches won).
2. A player with a bye losing their 1<sup>st</sup> match in the Main Draw will play in the feed-in draw of 2<sup>nd</sup> round Main Draw loser.

SINGLE POINTS				DOUBLE POINTS PER INDIVIDUAL	
Winner	300	17 <sup>th</sup> Place	15	Winner	50
Runner-Up	200	18 <sup>th</sup> Place	14	Runner-Up	35
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	150	19 <sup>th</sup> Place	13	Semi Finalists	25
4 <sup>th</sup> Place	120	20 <sup>th</sup> Place	12	Quarter Finalists	15
5 <sup>th</sup> Place	90	21 <sup>st</sup> Place	11		
6 <sup>th</sup> Place	80	22 <sup>nd</sup> Place	10		
7 <sup>th</sup> Place	70	23 <sup>rd</sup> Place	9		
8 <sup>th</sup> Place	60	24 <sup>th</sup> Place	8		
9 <sup>th</sup> Place	50	25 <sup>th</sup> Place	7		
10 <sup>th</sup> Place	45	26 <sup>th</sup> Place	6		
11 <sup>th</sup> Place	40	27 <sup>th</sup> Place	5		
12 <sup>th</sup> Place	35	28 <sup>th</sup> Place	4		
13 <sup>th</sup> Place	30	29 <sup>th</sup> Place	3		
14 <sup>th</sup> Place	25	30 <sup>th</sup> Place	2		
15 <sup>th</sup> Place	20	31 <sup>st</sup> Place	1		
16 <sup>th</sup> Place	17	32 <sup>nd</sup> Place	0		

## V- TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE will include:

- The Referee
- Two Representatives from the ITF/CAT
- One representative from Tennis South Africa
- Three accompanying team coaches (one of each of the English, French and Arabic speaking nations).

This committee will make the seeding, conduct the draw for the tournaments and will thereafter meet to establish the tournaments' programs and settle any disputes. It will also decide on all matters concerning the rules.

## VI- RULES

1. All singles main draw events will be the best of three sets and the tie-break system will operate in all sets. In doubles, two sets will be played with a super tie-break in the case of the score being a set all.
2. For all singles and doubles matches the No Let Rule shall be in effect
3. The ITF Junior Circuit Code of Conduct will be in force at the events and the tournaments played in accordance with the Rules of the ITF.
4. A default will be given if a player fails to appear 15 minutes after his/her match is called.
5. Customary dress code will be enforced.
6. In entering the tournament, a player automatically grants to the ITF/CAT and/or host nation and/or sponsors the right in perpetuity to make use and show pictures of him/her in motion or still, taken during the competition without compensation.
7. Feed-in placement events will be organized in all events so that all players have one singles' match every day. All feed-in placement matches in boys and girls will be played using the scoring system of 2 normal sets and a super tie break in the case of the score being a set all.
8. Prior to the draw being made an identity card or passport showing the date of birth for each player must be presented to the referee. Any player not complying with the age eligibility outlined above will not be accepted. Any country found to be in breach of this age eligibility rule will be eliminated from the events and face disciplinary action from the ITF/CAT.
9. Any withdrawals must be submitted in writing direct to the CAT office. In the event of withdrawal due to illness or injury, a medical certificate must be received by CAT within 21 days of the player's withdrawal.

## VII- COACHING

Coaching is allowed in the 14 & under events, where a coach may sit on the court and offer advice to players when changing ends. Under no circumstances can the coach interfere with the flow of the match or enter into a discussion with an on-court official. If a question of tennis law arises the coach would be free to seek the judgment of the referee, but in no case, can he or she speak directly to the Chair Umpire.

In the event that two or more 14 & under players from one country are playing at the same time, the coach may designate one other player from his delegation to sit on the court in his/her place during a match. The coach can change courts provided he/she does it at a changeover.

#### **VIII- TOURNAMENT INFORMATION**

**Venue:** University of Pretoria HPC

**N° of Courts for Competition:** 10 hard courts

**N° of Practice courts:** 5 hard courts

**Tournament Director Details:**

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**Accommodation:**

**Hotel:** University of Pretoria HPC,

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The hotel is located 49.5km from the O. R. Tambo International Airport and the venue is on the same site as the hotel.

Coaches will be accommodated 2 per room and **players 4 per room [Quad Rooms]**. Boys and girls will be accommodated separately within the hotel **[will be in separate floors – same Locker]**. There will be no exceptions to this. All team coaches must stay with their teams in the hotel and they are ultimately responsible for their team's supervision and behavior.

**Nearest International Airport:**

O.R. Tambo International Airport, Johannesburg: 49.5 km from the hotel and the venue.

**Hospitality**

Please note that full hospitality will be provided for all official players. Hospitality will be provided for official players and coaches from the evening meal on **Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March** until Breakfast on **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018**

**NB:** For those players and coaches who participated at the ITF/CAT 14 & U Tournament of Grade (1) and who are entered at the AJCHC, the Hospitality will start from the **Lunch** meal on **Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March** until Breakfast on **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018**

- Nations with 7 or 8 players will be allowed two (2) official coaches.
- Nations with 2 – 6 participating players will be allowed one (1) official coach.
- Nations with only 1 player qualified will be invited to participate in an ITF/CAT team with an ITF/CAT coach provided.

Teams arriving in or departing from South Africa outside the above dates will be responsible for their own accommodation and meal costs.

The rates at the University of Pretoria for additional coaches during IAJCHC 14 & under are as follows:

**Double half board: 100\$ per room for 2 persons, Single half board: 67\$**

Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be served at the hotel/venue. Tickets for lunch will be distributed daily to team coaches.

**For bookings outside these dates, please contact Tennis South Africa**

**Priority on accommodation at the official hotel will be given to official players and coaches. Additional persons will be responsible for the payment and arrangement of their own accommodation, on a space available basis. Please contact the Tournament Director for assistance. Should a nation wish to send any additional coaches, it will be at the Federation's own expense.**

#### **IX- TRAVEL**

The CAT is providing travel financial assistance to help players accepted to the AJCHC to travel to South Africa. All participating nations must make their own travel arrangements. Please see the attached covering letter for information on the assistance. This money may be used only by official players and/or coaches. In the event that a player or coach for whom the money has been awarded does not travel, it will be repayable to the CAT. In addition, failure to take part in the entire event will mean that any fund paid will have to be reimbursed to the CAT.

Please confirm your travel arrangements to the CAT and the TSA by **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2018**. The official hotel will organize transport from airport to the hotel. Teams which have not signaled their arrival details will not be met on arrival and it will result in you having to make your own way to the tournament site. The ITF and the CAT will not reimburse taxi costs. If your travel details change, please make sure that you let the TSA and CAT know at your earliest convenience.

## X- VISAS

Travelling teams are responsible for obtaining their entry visas for South Africa in advance of their travel, if applicable. No assistance can be given by the ITF/CAT in obtaining visas. **If you require visa invitation letters, please contact the directly Tennis South Africa.** You must obtain visas prior to departure; otherwise the player(s) concerned will be refused entry to South Africa and will be deported immediately. In the event that this happens, your Federation will be responsible for any costs that may be incurred.

### **NB: Travel to South Africa:**

It is important to note that the Department of Home Affairs in South Africa requires all passengers under 18 to travel with an Unabridged Birth Certificate.

Under the new law, all minors under the age of 18 years will be required to produce, in addition to their passport, an Unabridged Birth Certificate (showing the particulars of both parents) when entering and exiting South African ports of entry. Attached to the Unabridged Birth Certificate must be both parents I.D Copies, and a Parental Consent Affidavit giving consent that the child may travel to South Africa with the appointed coach from the Federation (Example of PCA is attached)

**All Nations that require a South African Entry Visa need to apply for it at the South African Embassy in their own country. NO Entry visas are given on arrival at Port of Entry in South Africa.**

## XI- WAIVER AND CLAIMS

All players entering ITF/CAT Junior Tournaments or Circuits agree, as a condition of their entry, that no claims are brought against the ITF/CAT, the tournament organizers and the Regional Association or National Association sanctioning such events, with respect to any injuries, however caused, or any losses incurred, while travelling to and from, or participating in any ITF/CAT Junior Tournament or Circuit. **It is therefore recommended that all players have adequate travel and medical insurance cover.**