



# ITF/CAT INDIVIDUAL AFRICAN JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP FOR 16&UNDER 2024

Algiers - Algeria, from 15th to 20th April 2024

Organized by the Confederation of African Tennis (CAT) in conjunction with the International Tennis Federation (ITF) and the Algerian Tennis Federation (FAT)

# The event will be held at the Tennis Club Bachdjerrah – Algiers, Algeria

### **ENTRY DEADLINE:**

## **TUESDAY 26th MARCH 2024 AT 14:00 GMT**

#### I. SINGLES EVENTS

A.	Boys 16 & Under	Born between 1st January 2008 and 31st December 2011  Having turned 13 years old before or the 1st day of the Championship.
В.	Girls 16 & Under	Born between 1st January 2008 and 31st December 2011  Having turned 13 years old before or the 1st day of the Championship.

#### Eligibility, Entries & Selection/Choice Procedures for the AJC for 16 & U for 2024

#### **Eligibility:**

Players eligible to compete must be born between 1st January 2008 and 31st December 2011 and having turned 13 years old before or the 1st day of the Championship.

#### Entries:

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

#### I. <u>Selection/Choice Procedures of the Players:</u>

The selection/choice of players to participate in the 16 & U African Junior Championships of 2024 will be based on the five (5) main criteria as follows:

#### The selection of the participating players will be based on five (5) main criteria as follows:

- 1) ITF Junior Ranking
- 2) 16 & under Final teams ranking in the previous AJC (2023) of both genders boys and girls
- 3) 14 & under Final teams' ranking in the previous AJCs (2023) of both genders boys and girls
- 4) Places to be awarded to the best players in each region.
- 5) Wild Card for the host country

#### 1) ITF Junior Ranking

To select the **Eight (8)** best African players (8 per gender) entered by their national federations and who have an ITF Junior ranking, by order of merit <u>without any restriction</u> based on the ITF Junior ranking which will appear on Monday of the week of the entry deadline (other than those entered by their national federations under (2) & (3))

Number of "Places" max: 8

#### 2) Final teams' ranking of 16 & under during the AJC 2023 of both genders – boys and girls

The national federation of each of the following teams ranked from 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> place in each Gender at the 16&U teams' ranking of the AJC 2023 is eligible to enter one (1) player who will be automatically accepted. The concerned national federations are the following:

	BOYS - 16 & U	GIRLS - 16 & U		
<b>1</b> st	Morocco	<b>1</b> st	Egypt	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Egypt	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Algeria	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Tunisia	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Morocco	
4 <sup>th</sup>	Algeria	4 <sup>th</sup>	Tunisia	
5 <sup>th</sup>	Nigeria	5 <sup>th</sup>	Cameron	
6 <sup>th</sup>	Burundi	6 <sup>th</sup>	Zimbabwe	

Number of "Places": 6 (1 per country)

# 3) Final ranking of 14 years and under at the end of the previous AJCs (2023) of both genders - boys and girls

The National Federation of each of the following teams ranked from 1st to 4th place in each Gender at the 14 & U teams' ranking of the 1st and 2nd AJCs 2023, is eligible to enter one (1) player who will be automatically accepted. As follows, the ranking recorded after the 1st and the 2nd AJCs:

BC	DYS - 14 & U	GIRLS - 14 & U		
1	Nigeria	1	Tunisia	
2	Tunisia	2	Morocco	
3	Morocco	3	Egypt	
4	Botswana	4	South Africa	

#### Number of "places": 4 (1 per country)

Note: It is important to note that those places are additional to those indicated in (1)

#### 4) Places to be awarded to the best players in each region.

#### Number of « Places »: 12

- (12) 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 16 years and under which took place in January 2024 in all regions.
- 3 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 follows the names of the players in each region and their ranking following the Zones' Championships 16&U among whom only 3 players per region will be selected to take part at the AJC for 16 & under (other than those to be accepted over the Procedures (1) & (2&3)).

### **BOYS**

	NORTH REGION		WEST&CENTRE REGION		EASTERN REGION	SOUTHERN REGION		
#	NAMES	#	NAMES	#	NAMES		NAMES	
1	Eyad Reda Ezzat (EGY)	1	Oluwaseun Ogunsakin (NGR)	1	Ruincliffe Ominde (KEN)	1	John Bothma (RSA)	
2	Y. Ahmed Wageh (EGY)	2	Prosperity Okonkwo (NGR)	2	Miki Noel Igiraneza (BDI)	2	Connor Doig (RSA)	
3	S. Mostafa Sameh (EGY)	3	Daniel Ekango (CMR)	3	Gateka Jordi Pavel (BDI)	3	Nhlakanipho Ngwenya RSA	
4	Marwan Ehab (EGY)	4	Tiekoro Sow (MLI)	4	Ssendyowa Abdul latif (UGA)	4	Justino Rodrigues (ANG)	
5	Ahmed Darmoul (TUN)	5	Raphaël Dowouna (GHA)	5	Ayush Bhandari (KEN)	5	Rushil Seewoosurrun(MRI)	
6	M.Aziz Missaoui (TUN)	6	Kwasi Frimpong (GHA)	6	Gedeo Murinzi (RWA)	6	Thebe Thite (LES)	
7	Kamyl Chebboub (ALG)	7	Hanif Boateng (GHA)	7	Brian Odingo (KEN)	7	Katlego Regoeng (BOT)	
8	M. Chetouane (TUN)	8	Paul N'Dah (BEN)	8	C. Habiyambere(RWA)	8	Rohan Mungla (MRI)	

#### **GIRLS**

NORTH REGION		WEST&CENTRE REGION		EASTERN REGION		SOUTHERN REGION	
#	NAMES	#	NAMES	#	NAMES	#	NAMES
1	Maria Badache (ALG)	1	Charnelle Fozo (CMR)	1	Yego Stacy (KEN)	1	Allegra Van Der Walt (RSA)
2	J. Mohamed Tawila (EGY)	2	D. Manantsop Kumfong CMR	2	Melissa Mwakha (KEN)	2	Morgan Jordaan (RSA)
3	Nadine Hamrouni (TUN)	3	Kadjijat Mohammed (NGR)	3	Hadassah Nsine (KEN)	3	Zahara El Zein (ZIM)
4	Lamiss Haouas (TUN)	4	Bright Emmanuel Essien (NGR)	4	Hilder Afwoyoroth (UGA)	4	Lonwabo Majeke (RSA)
5	Rahaf Emad Mostafa (EGY)	5	Honvou Djemila (BEN)	5	Safi Hategekimana (BDI)	5	Chanelle Zhuwakini (ZIM)
6	Farah Hassan Assad (EGY)	6	Adjiwanou Pamela (TOG)	6	Nasha Singo (TAN)	6	Tinotenda Chipfakacha(ZIM)
7	Malak H. El Saadany (EGY)	7	Ayegnon Tolissa Jude (TOG)	7	Olivia Natukunda (UGA)	7	Mbali Qame (BOT)
8	Nour Sahnoun (TUN)	8	Alao Dhalia (BEN)	8	Joy Jennifer Irakiza (BDI)	8	Rethabile Moshaoa (BOT)

#### Notice:

Concerning places that will be allocated to each region (3 per Zone), the names of the players will be announced by the deadline for entries at the AJC 16 & U, **3 weeks** before the AJC starts. These names will be added to those who will be selected according to procedures (1) and (2&3).

#### 5) Wild Cards for the Host Country:

(2) Wild Cards to be allocated of the host country

Number of Places: 2

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

#### II. DOUBLES EVENTS

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

At the 16&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. AGE GROUP TROPHY:

At the end of the African Junior Championships for 16&U 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'

<sup>\*</sup> In the case of the Western and Central regions, and based on the fact that teams from the 2 regions participate in only 1 Zonal championship and to ensure the representation of all African regions in AJC, among the 3 places to be awarded, at least one place shall be automatically allocated to one of these regions.

Number of "Places": 12

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 calculated to determine the Total. The nation ranked first will win the Age Group Trophy.

#### **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 P	OINTS	DOUBLE POINTS PE	R INDIVIDUAL	
Winner	300	17 <sup>th</sup> Place	15	Winner	50
Runner-Up	200	18th Place	14	Runner-Up	35
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	150	19th 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	21st 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		
11th 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	29th Place	3		
14th Place	25	30 <sup>th</sup> Place	2		
15 <sup>th</sup> Place	20	31st Place	1		
16 <sup>th</sup> Place	17	32 <sup>nd</sup> Place	0		

#### IV. PROGRAMME OF THE COMPETITION:

Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	Players & Coaches Arrival day
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> to Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	Competition for Boys & Girls in Singles and Doubles
Sunday 21st April 2024	Players & Coaches Departure

#### ITF Junior Tournament J100 in Tlemcen:

It is important to notify that the Algerian Tennis Federation will organize during the week following the AJC 16&U an ITF Junior Tournament J100 in Tlemcen, which represents a very good opportunity to the African participating players at the AJC 16&U to enter to this important ITF Tournament in Algeria through their IPIN.

#### V. TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE will include:

- > The Referee
- ➤ The ITF/CAT Representative
- > One representative from the host nation.
- > Three accompanying team coaches (one English, one French and one Arabic speaking).

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 on court is **NOT allowed** for 16 & Under events.

#### VIII. TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

Information about the Championships:

<u>Venue</u> : Tennis Club Bachdjerrah, Algiers, Algeria Tel : (+213) 23 76 14 26 Email: <u>fat@fatdz.com</u>

Number of Courts for competition: 8 Courts

Surface: Clay Court

Organizer : ITF/CAT & Algeria Tennis Federation (FAT)
Tel : (+213) 23 76 14 26 Email: fat@fatdz.com

Address : OCO Bachdjerrah

**Director for the Championship**: Mr Tahar Azzi

Mobile: 00213555243804

Email : <u>azzi cle@yahoo.fr</u> / cc: <u>fat@fatdz.com</u>

Hotel : Hydra Hotel

Address : Bb Benyoucef Benkhedda, Hydra - Algiers

Website : https://hydra.hotelhydra.dz

Tel : (+213) 23 76 14 24 Email: <u>fat@fatdz.com</u>

Distance from the airport to the hotel
From Airport to the Hotel: 25 Km
From Hotel to the Club: 10 Km

Accommodation: Players will be accommodated in double rooms with separate beds or in triple rooms with 3 beds if the rooms are spacious. The boys and girls will be accommodated in separate areas of the hotel. There will be no exception to this rule. Coaches will be accommodated in double rooms with 2 separate beds and should stay next to their team members at the hotel. They will be in charge to supervise them and are entirely responsible for their behavior.

#### Hospitality

Please note that full hospitality will be provided for all official players and coaches. Hospitality will be provided for official players and coaches from the evening meal on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April until Breakfast on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2024.

Nations with 6 to 8 players will be allowed to have two (2) official coaches.

Nations 5 players or less will be allowed one (1) official coach.

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

Room Rates: for additional persons Single Room (half board) : 65 \$
Double Room (half board) : 90 \$
Triple Room (half board) : 130 \$

For bookings outside these dates, please contact the Algerian Tennis Federation. 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

#### Traveling Finance Assistance to Algeria:

The CAT will provide travel financial assistance to help players accepted at the AJC to travel to Algeria. All participating nations must make their own travel arrangements. This money may be used <u>only</u> by official players. In the event that a player for whom the financial assistance has been awarded does not travel, it will be refunded to CAT. In addition, failure to take part in the <u>entire</u> 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 FAT by Monday 8th April 2024.

Algerian Tennis Federation will organize transport from airport to the hotel on the official arriving day (14<sup>th</sup> April 2024). Teams which have not sent 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 FAT and CAT know at your earliest convenience.

#### X. VISAS:

All participating nations must are responsible for obtaining their entry visa to Algeria in advance.

#### Entry visa to Algeria:

Regarding the Entry Visa to Algeria, we have been advised by the following:

Nationals of the following countries do not need visas to travel to Algeria:

Libya, Mali, Morocco, Seychelles and Tunisia.

All other African countries DO require an entry Visa for Algeria

(<u>This list of countries</u> may be subject of modifications. It would be necessary to check prior with the ministry of Foreign Affairs of your country before travelling to Algeria).

All traveling African participants subject to the Visa obligation for either obtaining their visas in advance from the Algerian Embassy/Consulate in their country of origin or neighbor country (An invitation letter will be sent to them by the FAT on request).

#### No assistance can be given by the ITF/CAT in obtaining visas.

If you require visa invitation letters, please contact the Algerian Tennis Federation (FAT)

Algerian Tennis Federation (FAT)

Tel: (+213) 23 76 14 26 Email: fat@fatdz.com

#### 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. <a href="It is therefore recommended">It is therefore recommended that all players have adequate travel and medical insurance cover.</a>