



*Australian Money  
Tournaments*

# *Rules & Regulations 2010*

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*AMT Platinum Series*

*AMT Gold Series*

*AMT Silver Series*

*AMT Bronze Series*

*AMT White Series*

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## 2010 AUSTRALIAN MONEY TOURNAMENTS – PROCEDURES

### 1) REGULATION COMPLIANCE

This document sets out the requirements for clubs/centres/associations to host an Australian Money Tournament. All Australian Money Tournaments (AMT's) must be conducted in accordance with the following procedures & regulations, The Uniform Tennis Anti-Corruption Program, as well as the Tennis Australia's Member Protection By-law, and the Tennis Australia Code of Behaviour (each as amended from time to time) and any other policy, procedure or regulation of which Tennis Australia notifies the relevant club/centre/association from time to time.

The following operating procedures for AMT are designed to raise the quality of tournament conduct throughout Australia. They provide parameters to ensure all AMT's sanctioned by Tennis Australia are managed professionally and with uniformity across the country.

Failure to comply with the operating procedures (as set out below) will result in the withdrawal of Tennis Australia's (TA) and Member Association's (MA) financial commitment to the event and may also lead to non-sanctioning of future events.

When an 18/u Australian Ranking event is played within an AMT, these regulations should apply when conducting the event.

### 2) NOMINATIONS AND CLASSIFICATIONS OF TOURNAMENTS

Nominations for conducting an AMT can only be made in the Open category. All nominations must be forwarded to the relevant MA which in turn will apply to TA for inclusion into the calendar the following year. All nominations are subject to approval by TA. A separate form is required for each nomination.

Once approved, the details in the tournament calendar must not be altered without first consulting the appropriate MA.

If a tournament is included in the calendar and is subsequently withdrawn within three (3) months of the scheduled first day of play, that tournament will not be approved for the following year except in exceptional circumstances.

### 3) TOURNAMENT TIMELINE (PLATINUM AMT'S ONLY)

The following timeline must be followed when conducting all Platinum AMT's in Australia. See exemptions on following page.

Action	Timeline
Tournament Entries Open online	<u>6 weeks prior to scheduled start</u>
Closing Date for Entries	<u>14-21 Days prior to scheduled start</u>
Acceptance List Released	11 or 18 Days prior to scheduled start
Withdrawal Deadline	7 or 14 Days prior to scheduled start
Wildcard Application Closing Date	10 Days prior to scheduled start
Wildcards & Updated Acceptance List Released	7 Days prior to scheduled start
Seedings List sent to MA	7 Days prior to scheduled start
Seedings List released back to MA	5 Days prior to scheduled start
Qualifying Draw Released	3 days before start of qualifying
Main Draw Released	3 days before start of main draw (one day prior if running a qualifying draw)

## Exemptions

### AMT held same week as Pro Tour

Where a Platinum AMT is held during the same week as an Australian Pro Tour event, the draw will not be released until the day before

### AMT held during December showdown

Special entry/withdrawal regulations will apply to these tournaments. Those procedures will be announced prior to the tournament.

## 4) TOURNAMENT ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

All Australian Money Tournaments approved by Tennis Australia for calendar inclusion must abide by the following standard requirements –

### a) Entry Procedures

- i) The Active Network is the only registration system to be used when receiving online entries.
- ii) Closing date for entries must be 14-21 days prior to the commencement of the tournament. No late entries should be accepted, however wildcards can be granted to non-entered athletes. Entries must have been open for a minimum of six weeks prior to the entry closing date. All tournaments must be published on the Internet at least eight weeks prior to commencement.

### b) Standard Tournament Conditions for Entry Forms / Fact Sheets

All Australian Money Tournaments must include the following information if they choose to produce an event fact sheet or entry for, (this information must otherwise be included in the Tournament Planner (TP) online tournament regulations section):

- i) This tournament will be conducted in accordance with the Uniform Tennis Australia Anti-Corruption Program, Tennis Australia's Member Protection By-law, the applicable tournament rules and regulations and the Tennis Australia's Code of Behaviour (each as amended from time to time). "I acknowledge and agree that all Tennis Australia policies can be readily viewed at [www.tennis.com.au](http://www.tennis.com.au) and that it is my responsibility to view these and seek clarification, if required, from the Tennis Australia Tournaments & Competitions Department.
- ii) Acknowledgment of Policies, Rules and Regulations: As a participant in a Tennis Australia sanctioned event I agree to comply with and be bound by the ITF Rules of Play, the Uniform Tennis Anti-Corruption Program, the Tennis Australia Code of Behaviour (including its reference to spectator behaviour and interference), the Tennis Australia Member Protection By-Law and the Tennis Australia Anti-Doping Policy."
- iii) 'Uniform Tennis Anti-Corruption Program' statement: For players and their "related persons" (defined as 'any coach, trainer, therapist, physician, management representative, agent, family member, tournament guest, business associate or other affiliate or associate of any Player, or any other person who receives accreditation at an Event at the request of the Player or any other Related Person') – I acknowledge that Professional Tennis has a Uniform Tennis Anti-Corruption Program and the Program rules are included in the 2010 Official Grand Slam Rule Book. I accept that I must comply with and be bound by all provisions included in the Uniform Tennis Anti-Corruption Program. The Uniform Tennis Anti-Corruption Program prohibits certain conduct by a player and their "related persons", as defined in the rule, including, but not limited to, (i) wagering on any tennis match, (ii) contriving or attempting to contrive the outcome of any tennis match, (iii) providing for consideration information concerning the condition or status of players, and (iv) the failure to report to the Tennis Integrity Unit as soon as possible any knowledge I may have regarding potential violations of

the Uniform Tennis Anti-Corruption Program. Nothing in this paragraph shall modify or limit the full text of the Uniform Tennis Anti-Corruption Program.

Tournament Personnel must not gamble or bet on tennis in relation to the tournament or on any activity in relation to the tournament, whether directly or indirectly, or supply otherwise private information to another aiding the other party's gambling.

- iv) **Spectator Behaviour Statement:** Inappropriate spectator behaviour could result in denial of entry at future Tennis Australia and Member Association sanctioned events, and will be dealt with in accordance with the above policies. This includes, but is not limited to, behaviour at tennis venues, hotels and transport vehicles.
  - v) **Publicity and Promotion:** In consideration of accepting my entry into the tournament, I grant and assign to Tennis Australia and the host club/centre/association and any third party at the reasonable discretion of Tennis Australia the right in perpetuity throughout the world to make, use, show and reproduce at their discretion, motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television, sound recordings and any other reproductions of any description of me taken or produced during or in connection with the tournament. I agree that my name, voice, likeness, image and biographical material may also be used and reproduced in any way for the purpose of providing information and news in relation to the tournament, audio visual coverage, distribution and broadcast of the tournament, archival purposes, and publicising, promoting and advertising Tennis Australia and the tournament. I acknowledge and agree that this usage, including for commercial purposes, is without compensation or notice to myself, heirs, devisees, executors, administrators or assigns
  - vi) **Membership Number:** It is mandatory that every entrant has a membership number, available by becoming a member of an affiliated tennis club or registering directly with their respective member (state) association. This shall not apply to events which carry ATP/WTA/ITF world ranking points.
  - vii) **Tennis Coach Statement:** As an entrant in this tournament, Tennis Australia recommends that your coach is a TA certified coach. This will ensure that the coach:
    - (i) Has a coaching qualification recognised by Tennis Australia and the Australian Sports Commission
    - (ii) Has currently updated his/her coaching credentials via ongoing professional development
    - (iii) Has met legislative requirements for Working With Children Check (or relevant State equivalent)
    - (iv) Has an updated first aid qualificationFurther information on coaches, including a list of certified coaches, can be viewed at [www.tennis.com.au/certification](http://www.tennis.com.au/certification)
  - viii) I acknowledge that all Tennis Australia policies can be readily viewed at [www.tennis.com.au](http://www.tennis.com.au) and that it is my responsibility to view these and seek clarification, if required, from the Tennis Australia Tournaments & Competitions Department.
  - ix) Any additional local rules and regulations may be included on the entry form or in a general circular to players
  - x) Any reference to the tennis balls being used must be stated as follows:  
"Tennis Australia approved tennis balls will be used."
- c) **Filming / Photography at Tennis Australia Sanctioned Tournaments**
- Note that the following restrictions apply to filming or photography by any means, including camera, video camera, mobile phone or other wireless device.
- i) By virtue of clause 4 b(v) above, Tennis Australia, the host venue and any third party at the reasonable discretion of Tennis Australia (for example, the relevant Member Association) have

- the perpetual right to make, show and reproduce still and motion pictures of entrants at Tennis Australia sanctioned tournaments.
- ii) Otherwise, filming or photography of players on court is only permitted where:
    - (i) both players provide their express consent both to the filming/photography and to the purpose for which it is being taken (or, where a player is under 18, their parent or guardian provides express consent). The fact that a player or their parent/guardian does not object to filming or photography is not enough;
    - ii) the tournament host venue provides its express consent to the proposed filming/photography on its premises;
    - (iii) the tournament referee is aware of the proposed filming or photography and retains discretion to require that filming or photography cease (see point (e) below); and
    - (iv) a flash is not used.
  - iii) Filming or photography is permitted off court for private and domestic use only. Photographs must not be sold, licensed, published (including electronically) or otherwise commercially exploited.
  - iv) Filming and photography are strictly prohibited in restricted areas including change rooms.
  - v) At all times, the tournament referee has discretion in relation to all filming and photography. Any person deemed to be acting inappropriately will be asked to cease taking photographs/film, may have their camera/video camera/mobile phone/other device confiscated whilst they are onsite at the tournament or may be asked to leave the tournament venue.
- d) Athlete Management System Consent Conditions (relevant for TA run events only)
- i) CONSENT TO TREATMENT

In consideration of Tennis Australia accepting my entry into events sanctioned by it and providing me with medical and other health services during those events, I consent to Tennis Australia's doctors and other health service providers (including but not limited to its Primary Health Care Providers or physiotherapists) consulting with, screening and treating me.
  - ii) CONSENT TO COLLECTION AND STORAGE OF PERSONAL AND HEALTH INFORMATION

In consideration of Tennis Australia accepting my entry into events sanctioned by it and providing me with medical and other health services during those events, I

    - (i) consent to Tennis Australia collecting and storing my personal information as well as records of consultations and/or treatment ("Database Information") (including by entering such details into the electronic Athlete Management System ("AMS").
    - (ii) acknowledge that, subject to Tennis Australia complying with applicable privacy and health records legislation, my Database Information may be:
      - (A) disclosed to doctors, physiotherapists and other relevant health service providers who require access to any Database Information in the course of treating me; and
      - (B) used by Tennis Australia for the purpose of assessing and improving its programs and events or for research.
    - (iii) I understand that tennis is a physical sport and that there is risk of injury involved in participating in and being present at Tennis Australia sanctioned events, and I consent to Tennis Australia disclosing my Database Information and obtaining on my behalf any emergency medical assistance, treatment and/or transport as deemed reasonably

necessary during my participation in such events. This assistance, treatment and transport will be at my expense unless agreed otherwise;

(iv) (iv) agree:

(A) I have no proprietary rights to the AMS, nor to any Database Information;  
(B) upon the termination or expiry of this agreement Tennis Australia will:  
(1) retain a copy of all Database Information for use in any subsequent relationship into which I enter with Tennis Australia;  
(2) use my Database Information for the purpose of assessing and improving its programs and events or for research; and  
(3) deal with such Database Information in accordance with applicable legislation including but not limited to the Privacy Act and the Health Records Act; and  
(C) sub-clauses (A) and (B) above will survive any termination of this agreement.

iii) APPLICATION OF CONSENTS

The consents in clauses 4d(i) and 4d(ii) above extend to all events at which doctors and Primary Health Care Providers are engaged and made available by Tennis Australia.

iv) SURVEYS

I consent to completing any surveys or questionnaires or participating in research administered or approved by Tennis Australia which is relevant to tournaments and events sanctioned by Tennis Australia, provided that I understand that I can withdraw that consent at any time in relation to any particular survey, questionnaire or research activity.

v) TERM AND TERMINATION

I agree that the above consents will be binding from November 2009 (being the date from which the AMS has been available) for as long as I participate in events sanctioned by Tennis Australia, or until I otherwise advise Tennis Australia in writing that I wish to revoke those consents.

vi) PRIVACY

Tennis Australia requires the information requested in this Consent Form to administer its events and for related purposes which can reasonably be expected (including asking you for feedback). You are able to access your personal information through Tennis Australia upon reasonable notice. Except where permitted or required by law, or where your consent is obtained, this information will not be disclosed to third parties.

In addition, Tennis Australia may use your personal information to advise you of promotional offers, marketing campaigns and other like activities.

Please inform Tennis Australia if you do not wish to receive such communications.

vii) RELEASE AND INDEMNITY

In consideration of my participating in Tennis Australia's events, I agree to release and discharge Tennis Australia from all liability, including but not limited to Tennis Australia and its

directors, officers, employees, volunteers and agents' negligence or carelessness.

Without limiting the foregoing, I also agree to release, defend, hold harmless and indemnify Tennis Australia and its directors, officers, employees, volunteers and agents from and against any actions, proceedings, claims, demands, expenses (including legal expenses), damages and liabilities howsoever arising or incurred as a result of or in connection with my participation in those events, my conduct and/or my negligence.

viii) AMENDMENT

Tennis Australia reserves the right to review and amend the above entry conditions including with retrospective effect where Tennis Australia in its sole discretion deems the amendments to be in the best interest of the athletes and the tournament. These amendments will be published on the Tennis Australia website at [www.tennis.com.au](http://www.tennis.com.au).

ix) PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT

I have read and understood and agree to be bound by the above terms and to give the above consents. I warrant that all information provided is true and correct. In participating in the events, I consent to being bound by Tennis Australia's by-laws and policies, including but not limited to its Member Protection By-Law.

e) Fact Sheet / Entry Forms – Use of Logos

The Australian Money Tournament logo and header must be included on the tournament fact sheet and/or entry form. This logo is available from Tennis Australia on request and must not be altered in any way except with the prior written consent of Tennis Australia.

f) Fact Sheet / Entry Forms – Approval

The completed fact sheet and/or entry form must be sent to relevant Member Association for approval and if approval is granted, these documents will then be forwarded to Tennis Australia for inclusion on the Tennis Australia website. It is compulsory for tournaments use the standard relevant AMT logo header.

## 5) TOURNAMENT SOFTWARE – COMPULSORY FOR ALL TOURNAMENTS

The Tennis Australia approved software is Tournament Planner (TP). As part of its investment in tournaments, licenses are provided free of charge by Tennis Australia to the host clubs of Australian Money Tournaments. Accordingly, this software must be used when conducting your tournament. This includes enabling online registrations with the Active Network, regularly publishing results and key messages from the tournament on the web throughout the tournament period. Failure to use the TP software will result in the tournament not being awarded Australian Ranking points.

Further information on the functions of the TP software is available for viewing and downloading at <http://tournaments.tennis.com.au>. Alternatively, please contact your Member Association office.

Completed TP files must be sent to Tennis Australia via e-mail ([rankings@tennis.com.au](mailto:rankings@tennis.com.au)) before 5:00pm two (2) days after the tournament's completion.

Failure to comply with this timeline will result in the exclusion of Tennis Australia's and Member Association's financial commitment to the event and may also contribute towards the non-sanctioning of future events.

### 6) MINIMUM STANDARDS – FACILITY REQUIREMENTS

All main host venues used to conduct Australian Money Tournaments sanctioned by Member Associations and approved by Tennis Australia for calendar inclusion must abide by the following standard requirements:

#### a) Venue Appearance & Amenities

- i) Present a venue that is safe, neat and tidy. This includes the following areas –
  - Entrance
  - Gardens and grounds
  - Courts and surrounds
  - Clubhouse and equipment
  - Change rooms, showers and toilets
  - Noticeboards
  - Tournament office (which is to be staffed at all times during the day's play)
- ii) Venues must provide an appropriately stocked first aid kit at each venue.
- iii) Venues must have a copy of the latest Australian Rankings available at the tournament desk.
- iv) The main host tournament venue must provide a canteen service that adheres to the following criteria –
  - Healthy and nutritious options
  - Professional level hygiene and food handling processes

Please refer to the Canteen Guidelines Manual available from Tennis Australia for more information.

#### b) Signage

- i) Banners behind the court must not be white or yellow (off-white and grey banners are permitted).

#### c) Surface

- i) It is preferred for Australian Money Tournaments to be played on any of the three nationally endorsed court surfaces – Porous/Clay/Loam, Natural Grass, Hard/Cushioned. However, Australian Money Tournaments will be permitted to be held on synthetic surfaces.
- ii) Clay, composition and loose surface courts shall be swept and lines cleaned before the start of all matches and properly maintained.
- iii) All matches within a tournament must be played on the same surface (this includes the qualifying event). Consolation events are considered separate to the main draw and can be played on a different surface, provided that surface meets the requirements of (i) above.

#### d) Internet Access

It is preferred that venues have access to the Internet on-site within the main tournament office.

#### e) Change Rooms

Suitable change rooms must be available at the main tournament venue. Facilities must include toilets and showers (cleaned regularly throughout the day) and an adequate supply of toilet paper and soap.

f) Treatment Room (Essential for Platinum & optional for all other AMT's)

A separate treatment room must be made available preferably located near the courts for each day (including qualifying). Alternatively a partitioned area (for privacy reasons) of the locker room or clubhouse may be suitable provided this is well ventilated and of a suitable temperature.

g) Artificial Lighting

Play is allowed under lights provided there is a minimum of 350 lux for Platinum AMT. For other AMT's the Referee will determine suitability of lighting. Tournaments that are planning to play under lights must include this in their tournament regulations in addition to advising the sanctioning body. The final decision of the suitability of the court lighting for play will be that of the on-site referee.

h) Canteen

It is strongly recommended that a canteen at the main tournament venue be open throughout the day (particularly for athletes involved in evening matches, who may need to eat after playing) where athletes can buy various types of food and drink suitable for athletes at a reasonable cost.

## 7) MINIMUM STANDARDS – TOURNAMENT RESPONSIBILITIES

a) Tournament Personnel

The Tournament Director and Referee must ensure that all tournament personnel are aware of and comply with the Uniform Tennis Australia Anti-Corruption Program as well as Tennis Australia's Member Protection By-law. These policies can be readily viewed at [www.tennis.com.au](http://www.tennis.com.au) and that it is the responsibility of all tournament staff to view these and seek clarification, if required, from the Tennis Australia Tournaments & Competitions Department.

i) Tournament Director

The club/association or relevant committee shall designate a Tournament Director to administer the tournament. He/she must be fully aware of the responsibilities of his/her position. The Tournament Director must agree to:

- Be on-site throughout the whole tournament
- Be responsible for the tournament's compliance with all rules and regulations, including all draws and schedules (in conjunction with the referee)
- Be responsible for the promotion of the tournament.
- Be ready to solve any issues related to the organisation of the tournament, athletes, officials, media and spectators.
- Not go on court during a match (including warm-up) or otherwise become involved in any Code of Behaviour matter.
- Maintain a continuous dialogue during the tournament with the Tournament Referee and submit a report to Tennis Australia and the relevant Member Association evaluating the Tournament.

## ii) Tournament Referee

The relevant Member Association shall designate a Tournament Referee to supervise the tournament in accordance with the Australian Money Tournament Procedures & Regulations. The Tournament Referee must be accredited at the following levels:

Platinum and Gold : White Badge or approved Australian Level A Referee

Silver & below: White Badge/Level A/Level B Referee

### Referee Role Description

- Be onsite for the duration of the tournament (including any tournament sign-ins)
- Conduct, or if not possible, at the very least approve all draws and match schedules before they are released
- Act as final on-site authority ensuring that the tournament is conducted fairly in accordance with the Australian Money Tournament's Rules and Regulations as to all matters arising that require immediate resolution at the Tournament site
- When weather or other conditions threaten the immediate safety of the players, spectators, officials or any other persons on the tournament site, the Referee may suspend or postpone the match(es) until such time that in his/her opinion the threat to safety is no longer evident.
- Determine the suspension of play due to failing light conditions and decide the appropriate utilization of court lighting.
- Decide if a court is fit for play or decide if a match should be moved to another court.
- Issue athlete Code of Behaviour violations as necessary and appropriate.
- Be responsible for decisions regarding No-shows, Late Withdrawals, Medical withdrawal & clearances.
- Direct, supervise, instruct and evaluate on-court and off-court officials, including the authority to:
  - (a) Make the assignment of all Chair Umpires and approve all Line Umpires for Tournament matches; and
  - (b) Remove a Chair Umpire and/or remove, rotate or replace any Line Umpire when necessary to improve the officiating of a match.
- Maintain a continuous dialogue during the tournament with the Tournament Director and submit a report to Tennis Australia and the relevant Member Association evaluating the Tournament.

iii) The following officiating levels are required for AMT

a. Court Supervisors

The tournament is required to implement a Court Supervisor ratio above and beyond the provision of the tournament referee.

Platinum / Gold / Silver: 1 supervisor for every 4 match courts

Bronze/White: 1 supervisor for every 6 match courts

b. Chair Umpires

Platinum: QF onwards/ Doubles Final

Gold/Silver: Finals only /Doubles Final

Bronze/White: Finals recommended

c. Linespeople

Platinum: SF onwards (2 line umpire per court recommended)

Gold: Finals only (2 line umpire per court recommended)

Silver & below: Finals Recommended (1 line umpire per court recommended)

Guidance regarding the above officiating standards is available by contacting Tennis Australia Officiating Department.

iv) Primary Health Care Provider and Tournament Doctor

Each Platinum AMT must provide (as a minimum) a qualified Sports Trainer or PHCP to be onsite and accessible for the duration of play for sole use of the competing athletes (including qualifying). All other AMT's are encouraged to provide a qualified Sports Trainer or PHCP. At an event where there is no PHCP, an appropriately stocked first aid kit should be available.

The tournament is required to provide details of the nearest doctor and hospital to all athletes during the event, upon request.

v) Stringer

A stringer on site at the main host venue is a requirement for the duration of the tournament for Platinum/Gold AMT and optional for all other AMT's. Pricing must have two categories, one for athletes providing their string and the other for athletes not providing string. In the instance where a stringer cannot remain on-site, the tournament must have a suitable alternative through which racquets requiring attention can be promptly re-strung and returned to the athlete in a timely manner.

b) Tournament Schedule

The following tournament schedule is to be used as a guide only and only includes full main draw events and consolation events.

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Event	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4
Men's Singles	RD 64, RD 32	RD 16	Q/F, S/F	FINAL
Women's Singles	RD 64, RD 32	RD 16	Q/F, S/F	FINAL
Men's Doubles		RD 24, RD 16	Q/F, S/F	FINAL
Women's Doubles		RD 24, RD 16	Q/F, S/F	FINAL
Men's Consolation		RD 48, RD 32	RD 16, Q/F	S/F, FINAL
Women's Consolation		RD 48, RD 32	RD 16, Q/F	S/F, FINAL
Total Matches	96	112	48	10

### c) Balls

#### Platinum / Gold

A minimum of three (3) new balls are to be provided for each match. It is required that an additional three new balls be provided to complete the third set.

Wilson 'Australian Open' Tennis balls must be used for all Platinum & Gold AMT's.

#### All other AMT's

A minimum of two (2) new balls are to be provided for each match. The provision of new balls for third set is at the discretion of the Tournament Director/ Referee.

Tournaments are required to use the Tennis Australia officially sponsored ball type (currently Wilson), unless in a formal contractual arrangement with another ball supplier. However, any agreement must be in line with the Tennis Australia approved tennis ball list (current as of 1<sup>st</sup> January 2010).

#### i) Wilson

- Championship
- Australian Open Official Ball
- US Open
- ez play Stage 1
- ez play Stage 2

#### ii) Dunlop

- Fortelite
- Pro Tour

#### iii) Slazenger

- Championship Grasscourt
- Championship Hardcourt
- Wimbledon Ultravis

#### iv) Diadora

- Pro Circuit

#### v) Head

- ATP
- Head Championship

## d) Qualifying Event

All AMT Platinum & Gold tournaments are required to hold a qualifying competition on the day prior to the start of the main draw if 16 or more athletes are listed on the alternate list after wildcards are announced or if it has been previously advertised that a qualifying competition will be held.

Silver & below AMT's that restrict the size of the main draw are encouraged to offer a qualifying event the day prior to the start of the main draw.

## e) Match Format

- Each Main Draw and Qualifying Singles match must be the best of three tie-break sets. Requests to alter the match format must be approved by Tennis Australia.

- AMT Platinum

Each Main Draw Doubles match shall be two Tie-break sets and match Tie-break (first to 10 points with a margin of two) in lieu of a third set. NO-AD Scoring shall be used.

AMT Gold and below

Each Main Draw Doubles match shall be the best of two Tie-break sets and match Tie-break (first to 10 points with a margin of two) in lieu of a third set.

- Each Consolation match shall be the best of two Tie-break sets and match Tie-break (first to 10 points with a margin of two) in lieu of a third set. An 8 game Pro Set (with a 12-point tiebreak at 8 games all) may be used if time restrictions are in place.

In exceptional circumstances (such as inclement weather), a tournament can change the format of main draw & consolation matches. This change must be made in the following order of priority:

- i) reduce length of consolation matches to a pro set\*, then
- ii) reduce main draw doubles matches to a pro set\*
- iii) reduce main draw singles matches to 'Best of Two' with a match tiebreak (first to 10 points) at one-set all
- iv) reduce main draw singles matches to a pro set\*

A match format change cannot be introduced unless all matches within the same round are played using the same match format.

\*Pro Sets must be played as first to 8 games with an advantage of 2 (7 point tiebreak to be played at 8-games all)

The referee has the discretion to reduce the format of matches if they believe it is necessary to enable the tournament to be completed within the publicised dates.

If a tournament is affected by inclement weather, requiring cancellation of events, matches must be prioritised in the following order:

- i) Main Draw Singles
- ii) Main Draw Doubles
- iii) Consolation Singles (i.e. first to be cancelled)

### 8) REPORTING

The following documentation must be completed and sent to Tennis Australia and the relevant Member Association before 5:00pm two (2) days following the tournament's completion:

- i) Tournament Planner Back-Up File (via e-mail to [rankings@tennis.com.au](mailto:rankings@tennis.com.au))
- ii) Code of Conduct Behaviour Reports, via e-mail, fax or post to the relevant Member Association (see below)
  - QLD: Cherie Murphy ([cmurphy@tennis.com.au](mailto:cmurphy@tennis.com.au))
  - NSW: Brad Cross ([bcross@tennis.com.au](mailto:bcross@tennis.com.au))
  - ACT: Lenka Maracek ([lmracek@tennis.com.au](mailto:lmracek@tennis.com.au))
  - VIC: Christine Larkin ([clarkin@tennis.com.au](mailto:clarkin@tennis.com.au))
  - TAS: Alex Jago ([ajago@tennis.com.au](mailto:ajago@tennis.com.au))
  - SA: David Hearne ([dhearne@tennis.com.au](mailto:dhearne@tennis.com.au))
  - WA: Jan Budden ([jbudden@tennis.com.au](mailto:jbudden@tennis.com.au))
  - NT: Mark Pead ([mpead@tennis.com.au](mailto:mpead@tennis.com.au))

The following documentation must be completed and sent to Tennis Australia and the relevant Member Association before 5:00pm seven (7) days following the tournament's completion:

- iii) Tournament Director Report, via e-mail, fax or post to Tennis Australia
- iv) Tournament Referee Report, via e-mail, fax or post to Tennis Australia
- v) Spreadsheet of Australian Rankings of athletes entered in the tournament (via e-mail only and in excel format only)

## AUSTRALIAN MONEY TOURNAMENT – REGULATIONS

This section sets out the regulations for tournaments and players in regards to an Australian Money Tournament. By entering, all entrants agree to be bound by these regulations, The Uniform Tennis Anti-Corruption Program, as well as the Tennis Australia's Member Protection By-law, and the Tennis Australia Code of Behaviour (each as amended from time to time) and any other policy, procedure or regulation of which Tennis Australia notifies the relevant tournament from time to time.

### 9) GENERAL

#### a) Related Regulations / Rules of Tennis

Australian Money Tournaments must be conducted in accordance with the Uniform Tennis Anti-Corruption Program, Tennis Australia's Member Protection By-law, these rules and regulations and the Tennis Australia Code of Behavior.

In the event that these regulations do not cover a rule/procedure related item at an Australian Money Tournament, Referees and Tournament Directors should refer to –

- The ITF Rules of Tennis (available via <http://www.itftennis.com/technical/rules/index.asp>)
- The ITF Duties and Procedures
- Tennis Australia Rules for non-umpired matches (Appendix 1)
- Tennis Australia Dress & Equipment Regulations (to be updated in 2010 and available on the Tennis website)
- Tennis Australia's Anti-Doping Policy (available via <http://www.tennis.com.au/pages/image.aspx?assetid=RDM37904.8831143287>)

#### b) Eligibility

Australian Money Tournaments are open to all male and female athletes of any age and nationality.

#### c) Member Association Number

All athletes entering Australian Money Tournaments agree to provide their relevant Tennis Australia Member Association ID number to the tournament via the online registration system or via the entry form.

#### d) Publicity and Promotion

All athletes participating in an Australian Money Tournament grant and assign to Tennis Australia and any third party at the reasonable discretion of Tennis Australia the right in perpetuity to make, use, show and reproduce at its discretion, motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television, sound recordings and any other reproductions of any description of me taken or produced during or in connection with the Australian Money Tournament circuit. Athletes agree that their name, voice, likeness, image and biographical material may also be used and reproduced in any way for the purpose of providing information and news in relation to the tournament, audio visual coverage, distribution and broadcast of the tournament, archival purposes, and publicising, promoting and advertising Tennis Australia without notice or compensation to them, their heirs, devisees, executors, administrators or assigns.

e) Uniform Tennis Anti-Corruption Program' statement

For players and their "related persons" (defined as 'any coach, trainer, therapist, physician, management representative, agent, family member, tournament guest, business associate or other affiliate or associate of any Player, or any other person who receives accreditation at an Event at the request of the Player or any other Related Person') – I acknowledge that Professional Tennis has a Uniform Tennis Anti-Corruption Program and the Program rules are included in the 2010 Official Grand Slam Rule Book. I accept that I must comply with and be bound by all provisions included in the Uniform Tennis Anti-Corruption Program. The Uniform Tennis Anti-Corruption Program prohibits certain conduct by a player and their "related persons", as defined in the rule, including, but not limited to, (i) wagering on any tennis match, (ii) contriving or attempting to contrive the outcome of any tennis match, (iii) providing for consideration information concerning the condition or status of players, and (iv) the failure to report to the Tennis Integrity Unit as soon as possible any knowledge I may have regarding potential violations of the Uniform Tennis Anti-Corruption Program. Nothing in this paragraph shall modify or limit the full text of the Uniform Tennis Anti-Corruption Program.

Tournament Personnel must not gamble or bet on tennis in relation to the tournament or on any activity in relation to the tournament, whether directly or indirectly, or supply otherwise private information to another aiding the other party's gambling

f) Spectator Behaviour Statement

Inappropriate spectator behaviour could result in denial of entry at future Tennis Australia and Member Association sanctioned events, and will be dealt with in accordance with the above policies. This includes, but is not limited to, behaviour at tennis venues, hotels and transport vehicles.

g) Tennis Coach Statement

As an entrant in this tournament, Tennis Australia recommends that your coach is a TA certified coach. This will ensure that the coach:

- (i) Has a coaching qualification recognised by Tennis Australia and the Australian Sports Commission
- (ii) Has currently updated his/her coaching credentials via ongoing professional development
- (iii) Has met legislative requirements for Working With Children Check (or relevant State equivalent)
- (iv) Has an updated first aid qualification

Further information on coaches, including a list of certified coaches, can be viewed at [www.tennis.com.au/certification](http://www.tennis.com.au/certification)

h) Specific Tournament Conditions

As an entrant into this tournament, I agree to be bound by any additional local rules and regulations that may be included on the entry form or in a general circular to players

i) Filming / Photography at Tennis Australia Sanctioned Tournaments

Note that the following restrictions apply to filming or photography by any means, including camera, video camera, mobile phone or other wireless device.

- i) By virtue of clause 1(d) above, Tennis Australia, the host venue and any third party at the reasonable discretion of Tennis Australia (for example, the relevant Member Association) have the perpetual right to make, show and reproduce still and motion pictures of entrants at Tennis Australia sanctioned tournaments.
- ii) Otherwise, filming or photography of players on court is only permitted where:
  - (i) both players provide their express consent both to the filming/photography and to the purpose for which it is being taken (or, where a player is under 18, their parent or guardian provides express consent). The fact that a player or their parent/guardian does not object to filming or photography is not enough;
  - ii) the tournament host venue provides its express consent to the proposed filming/photography on its premises;
  - (iii) the tournament referee is aware of the proposed filming or photography and retains discretion to require that filming or photography cease (see point (e) below); and
  - (iv) a flash is not used.
- iii) Filming or photography is permitted off court for private and domestic use only. Photographs must not be sold, licensed, published (including electronically) or otherwise commercially exploited.
- iv) Filming and photography are strictly prohibited in restricted areas including change rooms.
- v) At all times, the tournament referee has discretion in relation to all filming and photography. Any person deemed to be acting inappropriately will be asked to cease taking photographs/film, may have their camera/video camera/mobile phone/other device confiscated whilst they are onsite at the tournament or may be asked to leave the tournament venue.

### 10) DEFINITIONS

#### a) Direct Acceptances

Entered athletes accepted directly into the Main Draw by virtue of their Australian Ranking or temporary Australian Ranking (refer to Point 12).

#### b) Wild Cards

Athletes included in the draw at the sole discretion of the Member Association( See below). Wild Cards may be seeded. Wild Cards must be named at the time the draw is made and Wild Cards who withdraw or default may not be replaced with new Wild Cards after the draw is made. Any such vacancy shall be filled by the next eligible player on the acceptance list, or if the qualifying competition has commenced, it shall be filled by the eligible Lucky Loser, drawn and placed at the same time as the qualifiers. The Qualifying Competition commences when the first ball of the first qualifying match is struck.

No player who has been accepted into the qualifying of the tournament may be named as a Main Draw Wild Card after the Qualifying Competition has commenced.

A tournament may not offer a Wild Card or accept the entry from any player who has either accepted a Wild Card or been committed by an entry to another tournament held on conflicting dates.

Platinum: Determined by National Coach at the Member Association

Gold and below: Determined by tournament in consolation with the Member Association

c) Alternates

Entered athletes ranked lower than the Direct Acceptances by virtue of their Australian Ranking or temporary Australian Ranking. Players listed as alternates may move in as Direct Acceptances prior to conduct of the draw. Remaining Alternates must personally sign-in with the Tournament Director at the tournament site before the designated sign-in closing time in order for possible inclusion in to the draw.

d) Qualifiers

Athletes who are included in the main draw as a result of their success in the qualifying competition.

e) Lucky Losers

Athletes who have lost in the final round of the qualifying competition and if more Lucky Losers are required for substitutions, those athletes who have lost in the previous qualifying round(s). Lucky Losers are only required if an athlete withdraws from the main draw after the commencement of qualifying.

### 11) ENTRY PROCEDURES / DOUBLES ENTRY / REFUNDS

a) Entry

- i) Entry into any Australian Money Tournaments is open to athletes of any nationality. However, only Australian citizens or permanent Australian residents are eligible for an Australian Ranking.
- ii) Online entry is available via the Tennis Australia website in conjunction with Active.com.
- iii) All Australian Money Tournament entries close 14 – 21 days prior to the first day of the tournament.
- iv) When entering a tournament please refer to the 'Entry Contact' column on the Australian Ranking Tournament calendar. Entry forms are available by contacting the host Member (State) Association.

b) Entering two tournaments at the same time

Athletes are not permitted to enter two Australian Ranking tournaments at a time when some or all of the dates overlap. This rule will only be relaxed in the following circumstances –

- When an athlete enters a tournament with restricted draw sizes (as athletes are not guaranteed a place). In this circumstance, it is the responsibility of the athlete to advise the Tournament Director that their entry into the AR event is subject to them not obtaining a place in the restricted draw size tournament. Tournament Directors, in this circumstance, are asked to, but are not compelled to accept these entries.
- With approval from Tennis Australia, tournaments which overlap have the right to apply to have players accepted into both tournaments provided that athletes withdraw appropriately from one event. It is the athlete's responsibility to comply with the overlapping tournament rule. If athletes fail to follow the correct withdrawal procedure or are found to have played in both tournaments, the provisions of the Code of Behavior will apply in addition to the non application of AR points for the highest ranking tournament.
- An athlete is permitted to compete in an AMT during the same week as an Australian Pro Tour event if an athlete is eliminated from the Australian Pro Tour or ITF Junior event by 5:00pm two days prior to the start of the relevant first round event.

Any athlete not providing proper notice of their withdrawal from an event where they have entered two events that overlap may be withdrawn from the higher ranked tournament at the sole discretion of Tennis Australia. Tennis Australia will make this decision in consultation with the affected tournament.

### c) Doubles Entry

#### AMT Platinum

- i) All Doubles events are to be sign-in only. Sign-in will take place on the first day of Main Draw and will close at 4pm. Athletes should sign-in in person at the tournament office.
- ii) One member of the doubles team may sign in for the team.
- iii) Athletes not nominating a partner during sign-in will not be placed in the draw.
- iv) The tournament referee reserves the right to accept timely telephone entries.
- v) Athletes who fail to sign-in will not be included in the Doubles Draw.

#### AMT Gold and below

- i) All Doubles events are to be via online entry / entry form only (before the advertised entry deadline).

### d) Entry Fees

The standard entry fees for Platinum Australian Money Tournaments in 2010 is

Main Draw Singles Only	\$60.00
Main Draw Doubles (if playing singles)	\$20.00 (payment at sign-in)
Main Draw Doubles Only	\$35.00 per player (payment at sign-in)

There is no standard entry fee for Gold and below Australian Money Tournaments in 2010.

### e) Entry Fee Refunds

Entry refunds will be processed by tournaments based on the following sliding scale:

- i) Any medically or non-medically supported withdrawals before the 14-day withdrawal deadline will be issued a full refund of their entry fee, less an administration fee of \$5.00
- ii) Any medically supported withdrawals after the 14-day withdrawal deadline, but before the release of the draw will be issued a refund of 75% of their entry fee.
- iii) Any medically supported withdrawals after the release of the draw will be issued a refund of 50% of their entry fee.
- iv) Any non-medically supported withdrawals after the 14-day withdrawal deadline, but before the release of the draw will be issued a refund of 50% of their entry fee.
- v) Any non-medically supported withdrawals after the release of the draw will not be issued a refund of their entry fee.

- vi) Any player who is found to have entered two tournaments without approval will not have entry fee refunded.

All withdrawals must be submitted by the athlete in writing. Tournaments need not issue a refund if the withdrawal procedure is not followed. Refer to point 21.

A withdrawal is medically supported if recommended, in writing, by the athlete's medical practitioner.

Refunds, less a \$5.00 administration fee must be issued if a tournament is cancelled (due to weather or other extenuating reasons) before the completion of an athlete's first match within that tournament.

## 12) WILDCARD APPLICATIONS

All singles Wild Card applications must be received in writing to the relevant Member Association Tournaments and Competitions Coordinator 10 days prior to the commencement of the event. Wildcards are decided by the relevant national coach / state selection committee.

QLD: Cherie Murphy ([cmurphy@tennis.com.au](mailto:cmurphy@tennis.com.au))

NSW: Brad Cross ([bcross@tennis.com.au](mailto:bcross@tennis.com.au))

ACT: Lenka Maracek ([lmracek@tennis.com.au](mailto:lmracek@tennis.com.au))

VIC: Christine Larkin ([clarkin@tennis.com.au](mailto:clarkin@tennis.com.au))

TAS: Michael Roberts ([mroberts@tennis.com.au](mailto:mroberts@tennis.com.au))

SA: David Hearne ([dhearne@tennis.com.au](mailto:dhearne@tennis.com.au))

WA: Jan Budden ([jbudden@tennis.com.au](mailto:jbudden@tennis.com.au))

NT: Mark Pead ([mpead@tennis.com.au](mailto:mpead@tennis.com.au))

Once singles Wildcards have been announced it is the athlete's responsibility to check the updated acceptance list or the relevant state coordinator. Doubles wildcards will be announced shortly after the closing of the doubles sign-in.

## 13) SYSTEM OF MERIT FOR SINGLES

In determining acceptances of athletes for the singles main draw and qualifying athletes must be selected in accordance with their latest Australian Ranking at the entry deadline. International athletes can notify the tournament committee if they currently have any of the following rankings. These rankings will be converted to a temporary Australian Ranking and sit alongside the latest Australian Rankings.

- a) International athletes with ATP/WTA Singles & Doubles Ranking

Overseas athletes who possess an ATP/WTA world ranking will have their ranking temporarily converted into an Australian Ranking, on the following calculation: One (1) ATP/WTA Singles Point = 500 Australian Ranking Points. One (1) ATP/WTA Doubles Point = 15 Australian Ranking Points. The onus is on the athlete to inform tournament officials at the time of entry of their world ranking.

Temporary Australian Ranking

Temporary Australian Rankings will only be issued by Tennis Australia. It is the onus of the tournament and relevant Member Association to inform Tennis Australia if international athletes with ATP/WTA Rankings have entered the AMT.

b) International athletes with a Junior ITF Ranking

Overseas athletes who possess a Junior ITF world ranking will have their ranking temporarily converted into an Australian Ranking, on the following calculation: One (1) Junior ITF Point = 3 Australian Ranking Points.

c) US College Player Ranking Conversion

Athletes currently enrolled in the US College system will have their US College Ranking Ratio temporarily converted into an Australian Ranking on the following calculation: Current Ranking Ratio = 250 Australian Ranking Points. The onus is on the athlete to inform tournament officials at the time of entry of their US College Ranking Ratio. The latest ratios on the USA Intercollegiate Tennis Association website will be used for the conversion

d) Ties

In the event of a tie on the acceptance list between athletes for positions, that tie shall be broken as follows:

- i) The athlete with the most total singles points, and if still tied, then,
- ii) The highest number of points from one singles tournament, then, if needed, the second highest, and so on, and if still tied, then
- iii) Drawn by lot by the Tournament Referee

e) Athletes without an Australian Ranking

Athletes who do not possess an Australian Ranking shall be positioned at the bottom of the acceptance list.

## 14) SYSTEM OF MERIT DOUBLES

In determining acceptances of athletes for the doubles main draw, teams must be selected in accordance with their latest combined Australian Ranking at the time the draw is made. The order of priority for doubles is the following:

- i) Two athletes, both with an Australian Ranking, in order of the combined Australian Ranking of the doubles pair
- ii) One athlete with an Australian Ranking and one without an Australian Ranking, in order of the one Australian ranked athlete
- iii) Two athletes, both without an Australian Ranking to be determine by random draw

If two or more teams are tied within any of these combinations, the order shall be given to the team with the strongest individual Australian Ranking.

## 15) DRAW FORMATS

a) Platinum

- i) The Singles Main Draw shall consist of 64 players.
- ii) Singles Qualifying Draws shall be a maximum of 64 players.
- iii) The Doubles Main Draw shall consist of a maximum of 24 teams. No Qualifying Draws are permitted.

- b) AMT Gold and below
  - i) The Singles Main Draw shall be 32/48/64/96/128 or open draw
  - ii) Singles Qualifying Draws shall be a maximum of 64 players.
  - iii) The Doubles Main Draw shall consist of a maximum of 32 teams. No Qualifying Draws are permitted.

## 16) CONSOLATION EVENTS

It is compulsory for tournaments to offer a sign-in consolation event at AMT's. Athletes losing in the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Rounds will be eligible to sign-in for the consolation event. It will not be compulsory for athletes to play the consolation event.

## 17) COMPOSITION OF DRAWS

This section is applicable to tournaments that advertise a restricted draw size.

### a) Singles – Main Draw

<u>Main Draw Size</u>	<u>Direct Acceptance</u>	<u>Qualifiers #</u>	<u>Wildcards #</u>	<u>Retired Tour Players WC's ^</u>
<u>32</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>
<u>48</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>2</u>
<u>64</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>
<u>96</u>	<u>74</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>6</u>
<u>128</u>	<u>106</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>6</u>

# If there is no qualifying event or wildcards required, these positions will revert to Direct Acceptances.

^ Retired tour players' wildcards are applicable to Platinum AMT's only.

### b) Singles – Qualifying (Maximum of 64 athletes)

- i) Platinum AMT's – A maximum of 8 wildcards are permitted into qualifying, but athletes must adhere to the Wildcard Application process.
- ii) Gold and below AMT's – No wildcards shall be given into qualifying.

### c) Doubles

<u>Main Draw Size</u>	<u>Direct Acceptance</u>	<u>Wildcards #</u>	<u>Retired Tour Players WC's ^</u>
<u>16</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>24</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>32</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>

# If there is no wildcards required, these positions will revert to Direct Acceptances.

^ Retired tour players' wildcards are applicable to Platinum AMT's only.

### 18) SEEDING

#### a) Singles

All AMT's must draw up an event list (from total acceptances) based on the most up-to-date Australian Rankings. This is needed in order to accurately draft the seeding list. Each AMT must provide their relevant Member Association and Tennis Australia with an electronic copy of this event list with each athlete's most up-to-date ranking. Tennis Australia will provide an acceptance list template for tournaments to use to accurately search each athlete's most up to date ranking. At the completion of the event the MA / tournament must send this list along with the TP file to Tennis Australia.

In addition to this:

Seedings for all Australian Money Tournaments must be approved by the relevant seeding committee and National Coach in each state and will be selected in direct alignment with the official and most up to date Australian Rankings.

Notwithstanding this, the following procedure may be used when determining seedings for an event: If, in the opinion of the Tennis Australia/Seeding Committee an athlete is worthy of being seeded, that athlete's seeding shall be based on the following criteria:

- (i) An athlete recovering from illness/injury, with a current low AR,
- (ii) An athlete who has been playing internationally, with a current low AR,
- (iii) A 'known performer' who the selectors recognise must be seeded compared to the rest of the competing field.

#### b) Doubles

Doubles seedings will be prepared in line with the combined Australian Ranking of the two athletes in each pairing, notwithstanding the below.

If, in the opinion of the Tennis Australia/Seeding Committee a team is worthy of being seeded, the team's seeding shall be based on the following criteria:

- (i) A team comprising of an athlete(s) recovering from illness/injury, with a current low AR,
- (ii) A team comprising of an athlete(s) who have been playing internationally, with a current low AR,
- (iii) A team comprising of a 'known performer(s)' who the selectors recognise must be seeded compared to the rest of the competing field.

### 19) MAKING THE DRAW

Following is the draw procedure whether using TP software or conducting a manual draw:

#### a) Approval

The draw will not be official and must not be published unless approved by the Tournament Referee.

b) Time

- i) If an AMT is played during the same week of an Australian Pro Tour, the draw and match schedule must not be released until the day before.
- ii) If an AMT is not played during the same week of an Australian Pro Circuit, both the draw and match schedule must not be published earlier than three (3) days prior to the first day of the main draw.

iii) Seeds

All tournaments will have a seeded draw with seeds and placing of seeds determined in point 19 c.

c) Placing of Seeds (Singles and Doubles)

Main Draw

Seeds shall be placed or drawn as follows:

- i) Place Seed 1 on Line 1 and Seed 2 on Line 16 (16 draw), 32 (24/32 draw) or 64 (48/64 draw) or 128 (96/128 draw).
- ii) To determine the placement of the remaining seeds, draw in pairs of two (Seeds 3 and 4) and groups of four (Seeds 5 – 8, 9 – 12, 13 – 16) from top to bottom as follows:

	16 Draw (4 seeds)	24/32 Draw (8 seeds)	48/64 Draw (16 seeds)	96/128 draw (16 seeds)
Seeds 3, 4	5	9	17	33
	12	24	48	96
Seeds 5, 6, 7, 8		8	16	32
		16	32	64
		17	33	65
		25	49	97
Seeds 9, 10, 11, 12			9	17
			25	49
			40	80
			56	112
Seeds 13, 14, 15, 16			8	16
			24	48
			41	81
			57	113

Depending on the draw size, tournaments will have the following number of seeds;

<u>DRAW SIZE</u>	<u>NO. of SEEDS</u>
<u>128/96/64/48</u>	<u>16</u>
<u>32/24</u>	<u>8</u>
<u>16</u>	<u>4</u>
<u>8</u>	<u>2</u>

Please note that wildcards may be seeded, and all seedings will not be official until the draw is officially released.

d) Byes

If there are not enough athletes to fill the Main Draw or Qualifying, then after the seeds are placed in the draw, the required number of byes shall be awarded to the highest seeds as a first priority and any remaining byes shall be drawn by lot in a manner so as to distribute them as evenly as possible throughout the sections of the draw.

e) Qualifiers / Lucky Losers

At the conclusion of the qualifying competition, the successful qualifiers will be drawn by lot for their places in the Main Draw. There shall be no prior designation of which qualifying section applies to which qualifying place in the Main Draw. Likewise, when more than one Lucky Loser is to be inserted into the Main Draw, their positions shall be drawn randomly.

The order of ranked (Australian Ranking only) losers of the final round of qualifying shall be randomly drawn, thereafter the order of the unranked losers of the final round of qualifying shall be drawn. If additional lucky losers are needed, the losers of the previous round(s) of qualifying shall be selected in the same manner.

Lucky Loser sign-in process must still occur after the order has been determined. This must close thirty (30) minutes before the scheduled commencement of the relevant first round match.

If the qualifying event is not completed at the time of the draw, then the places for the qualifiers shall be designated as "Qualifier" with their identity to be determined by draw at the conclusion of the qualifying event. The Lucky Losers shall be drawn together with the Qualifiers.

f) Remaining Athletes

After the seeds and the byes are placed in the draw as above provided, then the remaining athletes shall be drawn by lot to determine in which places they are to be entered into the draw.

g) Making a Qualifying Draw

i. Sections

The qualifying draw shall be made in sections, with one section for each place allotted in the main Draw. Each Section shall have two (2) seeded players.

ii. Placing seeds/Method of draw

The first seed shall be placed at the top of the section, the second seed shall be placed at the top of the second section and so on until all sections have one (1) seed on the top line.

The remaining seeds shall be drawn as a group. The first drawn shall be placed on the bottom line of the second section and so on until all sections have one (1) seed on the bottom line.

If there are not a sufficient number of seeded players to fill all the positions for seeds in the draw, the section(s) with the highest seeds shall not have a second seeded player

iii. Byes

If there are not enough players to fill the qualifying draw, then after the seeds are placed in the draw, the required number of byes shall be awarded to the highest seeds as a first priority and any remaining byes shall be drawn in a manner so as to distribute them as evenly as possible throughout the sections of the draw.

iv. Remaining players

The remaining unseeded players shall be randomly drawn and placed in the vacant places in the draw beginning at the top of the draw.

h) Redraws

A complete redraw will only take place in the event of an administration error or in the best interest of the tournament with the approval of the Tournament Referee.

i) Withdrawal and Replacement of Seeds (singles procedure)

i) Main Draw Singles

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Any vacancy created by the withdrawal of a seed prior to 5pm on the day before the start of play of the event shall be filled as follows:

- If the withdrawal is among seeds 1 to 4, the 5<sup>th</sup> seed is moved into the open position and the 5<sup>th</sup> position shall be filled by the next highest ranked athlete eligible to be seeded.
- If the withdrawal is among seeds 5 to 8 (32draw) or 5 to 16 (48-128 draw), the open position shall be filled by the next highest ranked athlete eligible to be seeded.
- The position vacated by that next highest ranked player shall then be filled by:
  - The next athlete on the original acceptance list or a "Bye" if no eligible athletes are available when there is no qualifying competition held.

OR.

  - Eligible Lucky Loser if qualifying competition is held.
- Seed withdrawals after 5pm on the day before the start of play, the open position shall be filled by:
  - The next athlete on the original acceptance list or a "Bye" if no eligible athletes are available when there is no qualifying competition held.

OR.

  - Eligible Lucky Loser if qualifying competition is held.

## All other AMT's

Any vacancy created by the withdrawal of a seed prior to 5pm two days before the start of play of the event shall be filled as follows:

- If the withdrawal is among seeds 1 to 4, the 5<sup>th</sup> seed is moved into the open position and the 5<sup>th</sup> position shall be filled by the next highest ranked athlete eligible to be seeded.
- If the withdrawal is among seeds 5 to 8 (32draw) or 5 to 16 (48-128 draw), the open position shall be filled by the next highest ranked athlete eligible to be seeded.
- The position vacated by that next highest ranked player shall then be filled by:
  - The next athlete on the original acceptance list or a "Bye" if no eligible athletes are available when there is no qualifying competition held.

OR.

  - Eligible Lucky Loser if qualifying competition is held.
- Seed withdrawals after 5pm two days before the start of play, the open position shall be filled by:
  - The next athlete on the original acceptance list or a "Bye" if no eligible athletes are available when there is no qualifying competition held.

OR.

Eligible Lucky Loser if qualifying competition is held.

- NOTE - Draws with 2 seeds (8 draw) and 4 seeds (16 draw), the open position shall be filled by the next highest ranked athlete eligible to be seeded.

## (ii) Qualifying Singles Draw

### AMT Platinum

Any vacancy created by the withdrawal of a seed prior to 5pm on the day before the start of play of the qualifying event shall be filled by the next highest ranked athlete eligible to be seeded. The position vacated by the next highest ranked athlete shall then be filled by the eligible Alternate or a 'bye' if no eligible athletes are available.

Any vacancy created by the withdrawal of a seed which occurs after 5pm the day before shall be filled by eligible Alternate or a 'bye' if no eligible athletes are available.

### AMT Gold and below

Any vacancy created by the withdrawal of a seed prior to 5pm on two days before the start of play of the qualifying event shall be filled by the next highest ranked athlete eligible to be seeded. The position vacated by the next highest rank athlete shall then be filled by the eligible Alternate or a 'bye' if no eligible athletes are available.

Any vacancy created by the withdrawal of a seed which occurs after 5pm two days before shall be filled by eligible Alternate or a 'bye' if no eligible athletes are available.

j) Withdrawal and Replacement of Seeds (doubles procedure)

AMT Platinum

Any vacancy created by the withdrawal of a seed prior to the release of order of play for the first day of the doubles competition:

- If the withdrawal is among seeds 1 to 4, the 5<sup>th</sup> seed is moved into the open position and the 5<sup>th</sup> seed position shall be filled by the next highest ranked team to be seeded.
- If the withdrawal is among seeds 5 to 8, next highest ranked team to be seeded move into the open position.
- The position vacated by that next highest ranked team shall then be filled by the next team on the acceptance list (first alternate) or a 'bye' if no alternates are available.

If a seed withdrawals after release of order of play, the open vacant position shall be filled by the next team on the acceptance list (first alternate) or a 'bye' if no alternates are available.

AMT Gold and below

Any vacancy created by the withdrawal of a seed prior to 5pm two days before the commencement of doubles competition:

- If the withdrawal is among seeds 1 to 4, the 5<sup>th</sup> seed is moved into the open position and the 5<sup>th</sup> seed position shall be filled by the next highest ranked team to be seeded.
- If the withdrawal is among seeds 5 to 8, next highest ranked team to be seeded move into the open position.
- The position vacated by that next highest ranked team shall then be filled by the next team on the acceptance list (first alternate) or a 'bye' if no alternates are available.

If a seed withdrawals after 5pm two days before the commencement of doubles competition, the open vacant position shall be filled by the next team, as outlined in Rule 21 (g) or a 'bye' if no substitutes exist.

## 20) SCHEDULING / ATHLETE'S REST / SUSPENSION OF PLAY

a) Scheduling

- i) Tournaments must make every effort to be time efficient with regards to scheduling, thereby limiting the amount of waiting time that athletes/families incur at each event. This includes –
- Accurate scheduling;
  - Appropriate match formats for the number of entries received;
  - Communication of scheduling and of any scheduling changes;
  - Sensible and timely announcements in the event of rain or heat delays;
  - Updating of match schedules and draws as frequently as possible and if applicable a text messaging service;
  - Timely advice to athletes with regard to withdrawals, no-shows etc;

- ii) Except when weather or other unavoidable circumstances causes schedule disruption, athletes shall be scheduled (based on entering one singles and one doubles event) for a maximum of six tiebreak sets of singles matches and four sets of doubles matches per day. Athletes entering more than two events may be required to play more than the recommended number of sets per day.
- iii) If playing singles and doubles on the same day, singles matches must be played each day prior to doubles matches. This requirement can be relaxed by the referee if it is in the best interests of effective scheduling.
- iv) Every evening, the schedule for the following day's play must be published on the Internet and displayed at the venues being used for the tournament. Tournament Director's must ensure that the updated draws and times are published on the Internet before leaving the venue.

### b) Rest Breaks

- i) The following are the mandatory rest periods between matches –
  - Matches lasting less than 2 hours = ½ hour rest
  - Matches lasting more than 2 hours = 1 hour rest
  - Matches lasting more than 3 hours = 1½ hour rest

Under no circumstances are athletes to be forced to play inside their allocated rest period.

- ii) The referee must provide a minimum of 12 hours rest between matches played on consecutive days.

### c) Suspension & Postponement of Play

The referee may suspend a match temporarily due to failing light or conditions of the court, weather or other safety issues. The referee shall be the sole authority as to when play shall be resumed, which may be the next day. Until a match is postponed by the referee, the athletes and officials must remain ready to resume the match.

Upon suspension of a match, the tournament desk shall record the time, point, game and set score, and the name of the server, the sides on which each athlete was situated and shall collect the balls in use for the match. If suspension is due to darkness it should occur after an even number of games have been played in the set in progress or at the end of a set. There shall be five (5) minutes of warm-up before a match. In the case of a suspended or postponed match, the period of warm-up shall be as follows:

- |  |   |                      |
|--|---|----------------------|
| • 0 -15 minutes delay                            | = | no warm-up           |
| • More than 15 minutes, but less than 30 minutes | = | 3 minutes of warm-up |
| • 30 or more minutes of delay                    | = | 5 minutes of warm-up |

### d) Tournament Extension

If because of inclement weather, a Tournament cannot be completed within the advertised dates, then, at the option of the Tournament Director and with the agreement of all parties involved in the match(es), one (1) extra day shall be allowed. The Tournament Director in consultation with the Referee shall approve the commencement times for matches on the extra day. No further extension of the Tournament shall be permitted without the approval of Tennis Australia and the relevant Member Association.

## 21) WITHDRAWAL / RETIREMENTS / NO SHOWS / DOUBLES SUBSTITUTIONS

### a) Withdrawal Deadline and Withdrawal Procedures

- i) The withdrawal deadline from an Australian Money Tournament is 5pm 10 or 14 days prior to the commencement of the event depending on the relevant entry deadline.
- ii) Athletes who withdraw after the withdrawal deadline will be penalised under the Tennis Australia Code of Behavior, except –
  - In those cases where a medical certificate is produced prior to the conclusion of the tournament;
  - Where another reasonable cause is provided to the Referee for non-participation.
- iii) Withdrawal notification must be in writing (e-mail, fax and post, not via SMS) and submitted to the Tournament Director or Referee immediately and prior to the match being called. Evidence in support of the withdrawal (i.e. medical certificate) must be submitted to the Tournament Director prior to the conclusion of the tournament.
- iv) Athletes are advised to keep a copy of any withdrawal made. It is responsibility of the athlete to ensure that the withdrawal has been received. It is an athlete's responsibility to be aware of the correct withdrawal procedures.
- v) A code violation will be issued if a withdrawal is not approved by the tournament referee or where the supporting documentation is not received within the timeframe.
- vi) Athletes who withdraw on-site for non-medical reasons are subject to penalty unless the withdrawal is approved as having occurred in extenuating circumstances by the Referee (and recorded as such).
- vii) AMT's with a tournament appointed on-site Doctor / PHCP  
An athlete who withdraws or retires from one event can play in other events on the same day with medical clearance and with the approval of the Tournament Referee.  
AMT's without a tournament appointed on-site Doctor / PHCP  
An athlete who withdraws or retires from one event can play in other events on the next day with medical clearance and with the approval of the Tournament Referee and is automatically withdrawn from other events on the same day.

### b) Retirements / On-site Medical Withdrawal Procedures

- i) Athletes who are obviously injured or ill during a match, and need to retire from that or any subsequent match, must be recorded as retirements and are not subject to penalty. This is recorded as 'retirement due to illness/injury'; and no medical certificate would be required.
- ii) On-site medical problem prior to the beginning of matches. This is recorded as 'walkover due to injury/illness'; and a medical certificate would be required at the discretion of the Referee.

### c) No Show Procedures

- i) Any athlete not ready to play within fifteen (15) minutes after his/her match is called shall be defaulted unless the Referee in their sole discretion, after consideration of all relevant circumstances, elects not to declare a default.

- ii) An athlete who does not appear for a scheduled match will be defaulted from that match.

This is recorded as 'no show'

For doubles it is essential to accurately record the actual athlete that does not appear, as the innocent partner will not receive demerit points. Also it is necessary to complete this within the code violation function within TP.

- iii) An athlete who is defaulted under the "no show" provisions of the code of behavior may be permitted to play in subsequent events at the discretion of the Referee. Situations where this may be applicable include (but are not limited to)

- Family Grievances
- Entry and Performance at a Pro Tour
- Late arrival due to transport difficulties
- Incorrect reading of the time schedule
- Attending the wrong venue

The athlete must make contact with the Tournament Director or Referee within one (1) hour of the scheduled match time on the day of the "no-show" in order to be permitted to play other events. For the purposes of these rules feed-in/consolation events are considered as separate from the Main Draw. All other athletes with "no-shows" must be taken out of other events.

### d) Vacancies & Substitutions – Singles

Vacancies in the draw shall be filled with substitutes in accordance with the following:

- i) From the Entry Deadline to the commencement of qualifying:

Vacancies in the Main Draw/qualifying shall be filled by entered athletes in accordance with the original acceptance list.

- ii) After the commencement of Qualifying

- Vacancies in the main draw may only be filled by Lucky Losers.
- Vacancies in the qualifying draw shall be filled by an eligible alternate in accordance with the original acceptance list who signed-in 30 minutes prior to commence of play.

- iii) Events without qualifying:

Vacancies in the Main Draw shall be filled by entered athletes in accordance with the original acceptance list.

### e) Sign-in requirements for Singles Substitutions

Sign-in for Lucky Losers must close thirty (30) minutes before the scheduled commencement of the relevant first round match.

### f) Withdrawal from AMT due to Pro Tour

- i) If an athlete withdraws or retires due to a medical condition at an Australian Pro Tour, they will be ineligible to compete at an AMT within that tournament week.

## g) Doubles Withdrawals & Substitutions

### AMT Platinum

If substitutes are required, alternate pairs shall be selected in accordance with the acceptance list. Sign-in for Alternates must close thirty (30) minutes before the scheduled commencement of the relevant first round match.

- i) The substitution can only be made before the start of that pair's first doubles match. A walkover in the pair's first match constitutes a match played where as a 'bye' does not.
- ii) Any such substitutions must be approved by the Tournament Referee.
- iii) Any substitution will be altered on the draw once approved by the Tournament Referee and published as soon as possible.

### AMT Gold and below

Doubles substitutions are permitted under the following conditions –

- i) The withdrawing athlete must provide to the tournament referee written notice of their withdrawal before the substitute athlete can play. The withdrawing athlete may be subject to penalty pursuant to the Tennis Australia Events Code of Behavior. If supporting documentation (i.e. medical certificate) is not received prior to the conclusion of the tournament. Note - it is the remaining athlete's responsibility to find a replacement.
- ii) The substitute athlete must be an athlete not already entered in the doubles event in question, or someone whose partner also withdrew from the event. If neither of the athletes finds replacement partners, the athletes will be paired up and a ballot will take place to determine which line the pair will be placed on. A bye will then fill the vacant position. The substitute athlete must be an athlete already entered in the tournament in Singles or Doubles.
- iii) The substitution can only be made before the start of that pair's first doubles match. A walkover in the pair's first match constitutes a match played whereas a 'bye' does not.
- iv) If the remaining athlete chooses not to play doubles, the tournament will refund the full doubles entry fee (less an administration fee).
- v) A completely new pair (i.e. two players not entered into the tournament) is not permitted to fill a vacancy.

In the event of a substitute being found the following rules apply;

- vi) If the original pair is seeded the only substitution that can take place is one where the new pair must have a lower combined Australian Ranking than the seeded pair above them. They may however be weaker, in which case they will still be placed in the same seeded position even though there may now be a higher ranked pair below them.
- vii) If the original pair is not seeded the only substitution that can take place is one where the new pair must have a combined ranking less than the ranking of the lowest seeded pair.
- viii) Any such substitutions must be approved by the Tournament Referee. Any substitution will then be altered on the draw following this approval and published as soon as possible.
- ix) Any changes are subject to the provisions contained in clause 19 (j) replacement of seeds which will take precedent.

## 22) DRESS AND EQUIPMENT

All athletes competing in an Australian Money Tournament agree to comply with the Tennis Australia Dress and Equipment Regulations. Where athletes fail to do so, referees and court officials will be directed to apply code violations without warning.

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## 23) AUSTRALIAN RANKING POINTS – AMT ALLOCATION

### a) Singles and Doubles\*

	MAIN DRAW - SINGLES						CONSOLATION - SINGLES				MAIN DRAW - DOUBLES (each player)			
	Winner	Finalist	Semi Finalist	Quarter Finalist	Round of 16	Round of 32	Winner	Finalist	Semi Finalist	Quarter Finalist	Winner	Finalist	Semi Finalist	Quarter Finalist
<b>platinum</b>	450	300	240	180	90	30	90	60	45	30	112.50	75	60	45
<b>gold series</b>	300	225	150	90	60	20	60	40	30	20	75	56.25	37.50	22.50
<b>silver series</b>	180	135	90	60	45	15	45	30	22.50	15	45	33.75	22.50	15
<b>bronze series</b>	120	90	60	45	30	10	30	20	15	10	30	22.50	15	11.25
<b>white series</b>	90	60	45	30	15	5	15	10	7.50	5	22.50	15	11.25	7.50

The Australian Money Tournaments was first introduced in 2005 with the objective to fulfill the gap for athletes' in-between finishing their junior careers and moving onto the Pro Tour. The Platinum brand is a series of 33 tournaments offering \$10,000 in total prizemoney.

The Australian Money Tournaments Gold, Silver, Bronze and White Series are a consolidation of the National Open Tournament brand. The series includes a total of 163 tournaments held in each state and territory around Australia. The points and prizemoney levels increase accordingly, with Gold Series offering a total of \$7,500 in total prizemoney, Silver Series offering \$5,000, Bronze Series offering \$3,000 and White Series offering \$1,500. Prizemoney is offered in the Men's & Women's Open Singles and Doubles categories only.

All Australian Money Tournaments will offer an optional sign-in consolation singles draw for athletes losing in the first two rounds of the main draw. *\*\* Points for AMT & 18/u consolation events will vary from formulas used for the junior events due to the consolation being an optional sign-in event for athletes losing in only the first two rounds of the main draw.*

### b) Australian Money Tournament Consolation Draw

- i) 8 Athletes or less = 25% of Advertised Consolation Points
- ii) 9-15 Athletes = 50% of Advertised Consolation Points
- iii) 16-23 Athletes = 75% of Advertised Consolation Points
- iv) 24 + Athletes = 100% of Advertised Consolation Points

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### c) Defaults/Withdrawals

- i) A match won by “No-show” or “walkover” will NOT count as a match won for AR Points or Prize Money unless the athlete has already won a round.
- ii) No AR Points or Prize Money will be awarded to a player or team who withdraws or is a ‘no show’ without playing their first match.
- iii) Any player who is defaulted shall lose all prize money and points earned for that event at the tournament, unless:
  - The player was defaulted for a violation of the Punctuality or Dress and Equipment sections of the Code of Conduct
  - The player retired as a result of a medical condition
  - A member of a doubles team did not cause any of the misconduct Code Violations that resulted in the team being defaulted.
- iv) A singles player or doubles team withdrawing from the semi-finals onwards will receive Australian Ranking Points and prize money applicable to the previous round reached.

### 24) PRIZEMONEY DISTRIBUTION

All tournaments operating under the Australian Money Tournament brand in 2010 must abide by the following prizemoney breakdown. This breakdown will relate to the Men’s Open Singles, the Women’s Open Singles, the Men’s Open Doubles and the Women’s Open Doubles only.

AMT	SINGLES				DOUBLES (per pair)		TOTAL
	W	R/UP	SF	QF	W	R/UP	
Australian Money Tournament platinum	\$2,000	\$900	\$450	\$150	\$400	\$200	\$10,000
Australian Money Tournament gold series	\$1,500	\$675	\$340	\$110	\$300	\$150	\$7,500
Australian Money Tournament silver series	\$1,000	\$450	\$225	\$75	\$200	\$100	\$5,000
Australian Money Tournament bronze series	\$600	\$270	\$135	\$45	\$120	\$60	\$3,000
Australian Money Tournament white series	\$350	\$150	\$80		\$60	\$30	\$1,500

a) Small Draw Reduction

The tournament committee reserves the right to proportionately reduce the amount of prize money dependant on the number of players in the draw. In the event of a decrease in Prize Money, Tennis Australia and the relevant Member Association reserves the right to proportionately reduce its financial contribution to the event. Prizemoney reductions must follow the following scales (dependent on advertised draw sizes):

i) Singles – Tournament advertised to accept 64 or more entries

<u>NO. OF ENRIES</u>	<u>PRIZEMONEY THAT MUST BE PAID</u>
<u>48 or more</u>	<u>100% of Prizemoney</u>
<u>32 – 47</u>	<u>75% of Prizemoney</u>
<u>16 - 31</u>	<u>50% of Prizemoney</u>
<u>&lt; 15</u>	<u>Consider cancellation</u>

ii) Singles – Tournament advertised to accept a maximum of 32 entries

<u>NO. OF ENRIES</u>	<u>PRIZEMONEY THAT MUST BE PAID</u>
<u>24 or more</u>	<u>100% of Prizemoney</u>
<u>16 – 23</u>	<u>75% of Prizemoney</u>
<u>8 - 15</u>	<u>50% of Prizemoney</u>
<u>&lt; 7</u>	<u>Consider cancellation</u>

iii) Doubles

<u>NO. OF ENRIES</u>	<u>PRIZEMONEY THAT MUST BE PAID</u>
<u>16 or more</u>	<u>100% of Prizemoney</u>
<u>13 – 15</u>	<u>75% of Prizemoney</u>
<u>8 - 12</u>	<u>50% of Prizemoney</u>
<u>&lt; 7</u>	<u>Consider cancellation</u>

### 25) TOILET BREAKS / CHANGE OF ATTIRE

An athlete is allowed to request permission to leave the court for a reasonable time for a toilet break / change of attire break (women's matches). Toilet breaks should be taken on a set break and can be used for no other purpose. Change of attire breaks (women's) must be taken on a set break.

#### a) Number and Nature of Breaks Allowed

In men's singles matches, an athlete is entitled to one (1) breaks during a best of three (3) set match. In women's singles matches, an athlete is entitled to two (2) break during a best of three (3) set match.

In doubles matches, each team is entitled to a total of two (2) breaks. If partners leave the court together, it counts as one (1) of the team's authorized breaks.

Any time an athlete leaves the court for a toilet or change of attire break, it is considered one of the authorised breaks regardless of whether or not their opponent has left the court.

#### b) Timing of Breaks

An athlete may not take a toilet break/change of attire break and a Medical Time-out consecutively, unless approved by the Referee. A player may change her attire during a toilet break.

Any toilet break taken after a warm-up has started is considered one of the authorized breaks. Additional toilet breaks will be authorised but will be penalised in accordance with the Point Penalty Schedule if the athlete is not ready to play within the allowed time.

#### c) Denial of a request

The Referee shall have the authority to deny an athlete permission to leave the court during a match for a toilet and/or change of attire break if it is interpreted by the Referee as gamesmanship and/or flagrant abuse of the rules.

### 26) MEDICAL

The below procedures are only relevant to AMT's that have appointed an on-site Doctor / PHCP.

#### a) Priority of Care / Availability of PHCP or Doctor

The priority of care for a Primary Health Care Provider (PHCP) at a tournament is as follows:

1. Court Calls
2. Athletes preparing for matches (singles athletes have priority over doubles athletes)
3. Athletes still in the tournament and preparing for practice
4. Athletes still in the tournament, but who is not playing or practising that day
5. Athletes eliminated from the tournament

If a PHCP is on-site during a tournament, they will only be present one (1) hour before matches begin and until a maximum of one (1) hour after the completion of matches.

#### b) Medical Condition

A medical condition is a medical illness or a musculoskeletal injury that warrants medical evaluation and/or medical treatment by the Primary Health Care Provider (PHCP) during the warm-up or the match.

## Treatable Medical Conditions

- i) Acute medical condition: the sudden development of a medical illness or musculoskeletal injury during the warm-up or the match that requires immediate medical attention.
- ii) Non-acute medical condition: a medical illness or musculoskeletal injury that develops or is aggravated during the warm-up or the match and requires medical attention at the changeover or set break.

## Non-Treatable Medical Conditions

- iii) Any medical condition that cannot be treated appropriately, or that will not be improved by available medical treatment within the time allowed.
- iv) Any medical condition (inclusive of symptoms) that has not developed or has not been aggravated during the warm-up or the match.
- v) General athlete fatigue.
- vi) Any medical condition requiring injections, intravenous infusions or oxygen, except for diabetes, for which prior medical certification has been obtained, and for which subcutaneous injections of insulin may be administered.

## c) Medical Evaluation

During the warm-up or the match, an athlete may request through the Referee/Chair Umpire/Court Supervisor for the Doctor/Primary Health Care Provider to evaluate him/her during the next change over or set break. Only in the case that an athlete develops an acute medical condition that necessitates an immediate stop in play may the athlete request through the Referee/Chair Umpire/Court Supervisor for the Doctor/Primary Health Care Provider to evaluate him/her immediately.

The purpose of the medical evaluation is to determine if the player has developed a treatable medical condition and, if so, to determine when medical treatment is warranted. Such evaluation should be performed within a reasonable length of time, balancing player safety on the one hand, and continues play on the other hand.

At the discretion of the Doctor/ Primary Health Care Provider, such evaluation may be performed in conjunction with the Tournament Doctor, and may be performed off-court.

If the Doctor/ Primary Health Care Provider determines that the player has a non-treatable medical condition, then the player will be advised that no medical treatment will be allowed.

## d) Medical Time-Out

- i) A Medical Time-Out is allowed by the Tournament Referee / Chair Umpire/Court Supervisor when the Doctor/Primary Health Care Provider has evaluated the athlete and has determined that additional time for medical treatment is required. The Medical Time-Out takes place during a changeover or set break, unless the Doctor/Primary Health Care Provider determines that the athlete has developed an acute medical condition that requires immediate medical treatment.
- ii) The Medical Time-Out begins when the Doctor/Primary Health Care Provider is ready to start treatment. At the discretion of the Doctor/Primary Health Care Provider, treatment during a Medical Time-Out may take place off-court.
- iii) The Medical Time-Out is limited to three (3) minutes of treatment. However, this can be extended at the Tournament Referees discretion.

- iv) An athlete is allowed one (1) Medical Time-Out for each distinct treatable medical condition. All clinical manifestations of heat illness shall be considered as one (1) treatable medical condition. All treatable musculoskeletal injuries that manifest as part of a kinetic chain continuum shall be considered as one (1) treatable medical condition.

- v) Muscle Cramping: A player may receive treatment for muscle cramping only during the time allotted for change of ends and/or set breaks. Players may not receive a Medical Time-Out for muscle cramping.

In cases where there is doubt about whether the player suffers from an acute medical condition, non –acute medical condition inclusive of muscle cramping , or non-treatable medical condition, the decision of the Doctor/Primary Health Care Provider, if appropriate , is final. If the Doctor/Primary Health Care Provider trainer believes that the player has heat illness, and if muscle cramping is one of the manifestation of heat illness, then the muscle cramping may be treated as part of the recommended treatment by the Doctor/Primary Health Care Provider for the heat illness condition.

Note:

A player who has stopped play by claiming an acute medical condition, but is determined by the Doctor/Primary Health Care Provider to have muscle cramping, shall be ordered by the Chair Umpires to resume play immediately.

If the player cannot continue playing due to severe muscle cramping, as determined by the Doctor/Primary Health Care Provider he/she may forfeit the points(s)/game(s) needed to get to a change of end or set break in order to receive immediate evaluation, and treatment if time allows. There may be a total of two(2) additional changes of ends treatments for muscle cramping in a match , not necessarily consecutive.

If it is determined by the Chair Umpire or Referee that gamesmanship was involved, then Code Violation for Unsportsmanlike Conduct could be issued

- vi) A total of two (2) consecutive Medical Time-Outs may be allowed by the Tournament Referee or Chair Umpire for the special circumstance in which the Doctor/Primary Health Care Provider determines that the athlete has developed at least two (2) distinct acute and treatable medical conditions. This may include:

- a medical illness in conjunction with a musculoskeletal injury;
- two or more acute and distinct musculoskeletal injuries.

In such cases, the Doctor/Primary Health Care Provider will perform a medical evaluation for the two or more treatable medical conditions during a single evaluation, and may then determine that two consecutive Medical Time-Outs are required.

- e) Medical Treatment

An athlete may receive on-court medical treatment and/or supplies from the Doctor/Primary Health Care Provider during any changeover or set break. As a guideline, such medical treatment should be limited to two (2) changeovers/set breaks for each treatable medical condition, before or after a Medical Time-Out, and need not be consecutive. Athletes may not receive medical treatment for non-treatable medical conditions.

### f) Penalty

After completion of a Medical Time-Out or medical treatment, any delay in resumption of play shall be penalized by Code Violations for Delay of Game. Any player abuse of this Medical Rule will be subject to penalty in accordance with the Unsportsmanlike Conduct section of the Code of Conduct.

### g) Bleeding

If a player is bleeding, the Referee/Chair Umpire must stop play as soon as possible, and the Doctor/Primary Health Care Provider should be called to the court for evaluation and treatment. The Doctor/Primary Health Care Provider, will evaluate the source of the bleeding, and will request a Medical Time-Out for treatment if necessary.

If requested by the Doctor/Primary Health Care Provider, the Tournament Referee or Chair Umpire may allow up to a total of five (5) minutes to assure control of the bleeding.

If blood has spilled onto the court or its immediate vicinity, play should not resume until the blood spill has been cleaned appropriately.

### h) Vomiting

If an athlete is vomiting, the Referee/Chair Umpire must stop play if vomit has spilled onto the court, or if the athlete requests medical evaluation. If the athlete requests medical evaluation, then the Doctor/Primary Health Care Provider should determine if the athlete has a treatable medical condition, and if so, whether the medical condition is acute or non-acute.

If vomit has spilled onto the court, play must not resume until the vomit spill has been cleaned appropriately.

### i) Physical Incapacity

During a match, if there is an emergency medical condition and the athlete involved is unable to make a request for a Doctor/Primary Health Care Provider, the Referee/Chair Umpire/Court Supervisor shall immediately call for the Doctor/Primary Health Care Provider to assist the athlete.

Either before or during a match, if an athlete is considered unable physically to compete, the Doctor/Primary Health Care Provider should inform the Tournament Referee and recommend that the athlete is ruled unable to compete in the match to be played, or retired from the match in progress.

The Tournament Referee shall use great discretion before taking this action and should base the decision on the best interests of the tournament, as well as taking all medical advice and any other information into consideration.

The athlete may subsequently compete in another event at the same tournament on subsequent days if the Doctor/Primary Health Care Provider determines that the athlete's condition has improved to the extent that the athlete may safely physically perform at an appropriate level of play.

## 27) AMENDMENTS

The Australian Money Tournament Procedures and Regulations may only be amended, repealed or otherwise modified, in whole or in part, by Tennis Australia. Tennis Australia reserves the right to review and amend the Australian Money Tournament Procedures and Regulations during the year, including with retrospective effect, where TA in its sole discretion deems the amendments to be in the best interest of the athletes and the Australian Money Tournament circuit. These amendments will be published on the Tennis Australia website – [www.tennis.com.au](http://www.tennis.com.au)