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General Secretaries/Managers, Junior Tennis ITF National Associations

**VIA EMAIL** 

Dear All,

Re: ITF Junior Circuit - 2014 Rule Changes

I would like to take this opportunity at the close of the 2013 season to let you know about some important rule changes coming into effect on the ITF Junior Circuit in 2014:

## Player Support Team Registration

From 2014, in order to receive hospitality at an ITF Junior Circuit tournament a coach or accompanying person nominated by his/her National Association must have registered for an annual Player Support Team ID at <a href="https://www.playersupport.itftennis.com">www.playersupport.itftennis.com</a>. Any coach/accompanying person without a Player Support Team ID will not be entitled to hospitality. Registration will be possible from mid December 2013.

### Public Liability Insurance

Tournaments will be responsible for taking out a suitable insurance policy which is compliant with local laws and regulations and which insures against claims made for damage to property and for death/injury caused to people at the event for which the Applicant is legally liable. "ITF Ltd" and "ITF Licensing (UK) Ltd" must be named in the policy and on the certificate of insurance, and a copy should be provided to the ITF on request.

### • One tournament per week rule - Grand Slam tournaments

From 2014 a player is allowed to play the doubles event at a Grand Slam tournament at the same time as he /she is still competing in the singles event only of the same week's ITF Junior Circuit tournament, subject to the approval of both Referees and provided that this does not unfairly affect the scheduling at either event.



#### Toilet break

Toilet breaks/change of attire breaks must be taken on a set break. Toilet breaks taken not on a set break will be authorised, but will be penalised in accordance with the point penalty schedule if the player is not ready to play within the allowed time.

# Good standing

The definition of a player being "of good standing" has changed. Please see Appendix M of the 2014 ITF Junior Circuit Regulations for details.

I would be grateful if you could ensure that the above rule changes are communicated to your players and tournaments as applicable.

If you have any questions about these rule changes, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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