

COACHING EXCELLENCE – DEVELOPMENT

Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for consideration, the nominee must:

- Hold a Tennis Australia recognised qualification (High Performance/ Level 3 preferred)
- Hold a Working with Children Check (or state/territory equivalent) and have a clean National Police Check
- Be in good standing with Tennis Australia & its Member Associations
- Be an Australian citizen or permanent resident.

The Nomination Process for Australian Tennis

- The winners of the State Award for Coaching Excellence – Development (or equivalent) will become the nominee for the National Award for Coaching Excellence – Development
- If a state/territory does not have an award in this category, the MA may nominate a candidate from that state/territory through the online portal, provided the nominee meets all the eligibility criteria
- The national body reserves the right to enter wildcard nominees for this award

Selection Criteria

The selection panel will consider the following in assessing and comparing nominations:

Note: information regarding the coach's and player's program will remain confidential and will only be seen by the selection panel:

- Player Development program provided including but not limited to:
 - o Program purpose & philosophy
 - o Nominated Coach's philosophy
 - o Player pathway from Hot Shots Tennis through to 12s & 14s Nationals (i.e. Athlete Development Pathway)
 - o Player Development program ensuring it meets the guidelines, as outlined in the Tennis Australia Player Development Matrix
 - o Demonstration of Tennis-specific education provided to all stakeholders
 - o Description of performance environment created by coach that fosters development of

character, learning and performance

- Development of athletes as evidenced by participation in State, National and International level events including but not limited to results, rankings and improvement benchmarks
- Quality and quantity of players participating in a National Talent Hub, Tennis Australia's Super 10's, NDS, NDP & NTA that were/are a part of coach's player development pathway.
- Submission of one player's program including but not limited to:
 - o Player profile (including player's goals, coaching priorities, competencies and deficiencies as per the Tennis Australia Athlete Development Matrix)
 - o Player's annual training and competition schedule (past 12 months)
 - o Letter of support from parent (including confirmation and length of coaching relationship - ideally one year or more. Minimum of 6 months.)
- Attendance at National and international tournaments
- Australian Representative at World Junior Teams
- Involvement in Talent which may include:
 - o Attendance at Talent camps
 - o Participation in Tennis Australia's Super 10s, NDP etc.
 - o Demonstrated participation in professional development opportunities
- All nominees must agree to a site visit if requested by selection panel.