

# 2024 / 2025 RAFA NADAL TOUR AUSTRALIA FACT SHEET

12u & 14u Age Groups Only - Premier Series



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#### **Overview**

The Rafa Nadal Tour is a junior tennis circuit launched in Spain in 2014. It has a strong focus on sport and education combining the tournament aspect with dynamic and fun educational activities for the players aiming to establish strong fundamental values, this involves teaching and working towards the 4 main pillars of the tour.

# **Rafa Nadal Tour Values**

These values are qualities that the Rafa Nadal Tour think can help all players both on and off the court. The current values are as follows:

## **Humility**

Humility is the capacity to live your life with freedom from pride or arrogance, the quality or state of being humble.

#### Resilience

Resilience is the ability to recover quickly from difficulties; to show toughness in adversity.

#### Commitment

Commitment is the players' capacity to acknowledge, get involved and accomplish something that has been previously agreed to.

# **Sportsmanship**

Sportsmanship is the appropriate and correct behaviour during the practice of any sport, as well as the acceptance of adverse situations willingly.





### **Activities on Values**

During the tournaments there will be numerous fun learning activities run by the mentors from the Rafa Nadal Tour, focusing on the four key values of the circuit. These will be in the form of classroom activities sessions and physical activities session in teams. There will be one of each type of activity for each age/gender group for the first two days of each event.



# **The Trophy of Values**

The Trophy of Values aims to recognize and reward those players at the Rafa Nadal Tour who put into practice the Rafa Nadal Tour values - positive values, attitudes and behaviours that are essential to helping the players' relevant personal and athletic development. The Academy facilitators and coaches on site will be observing all players on court, during the Values activities and on-site generally.

# **Prize Winners**

The winning players from each 12/u & 14/u singles State Premier events held, as well as all selected winners of the Trophy of Values, will progress to the end of circuit Australian Rafa Nadal Masters event. The Trophy of Values recognises a player from each age/gender group at each event that shows a positive attitude and behaviour on and off the court, and who exhibits the values of the Rafa Nadal Tour.

The Rafa Nadal Australian Masters event is scheduled to be held in Melbourne 6-10 January 2025 (final dates and location to be confirmed). A maximum of sixteen (16) players will be invited to compete in each 12/u & 14/u boys and girls Masters event.

All participants at the Masters events will get further Rafa and Rafa Nadal Academy related prizes, with the chance to potentially meet Rafa himself, and also win flights to Spain and two free weeks of training at the Rafa Nadal Academy in Mallorca later in 2025 (all subject to confirmation).



# **Eligibility**

The Rafa Nadal Tour will consist of 8 qualifying events (1 in each state and territory) for 12/u and 14/u players each year.



Players will have the ability to enter any eligible age group at Rafa Nadal Tour qualifying events on the Australian Competitive Play endorsed calendar. For the purpose of these regulations, the player's age as of the last day of the month that the event finishes shall be used for entry into the Rafa Nadal Tour qualifying events.

There will be an end of season Rafa Nadal Masters event held in early January of the year following the qualifying events. Eligible winning players from the qualifying events as well as the chosen Trophy of Value winners will be invited to the end of season Masters event.

However, for the purpose of the Rafa Nadal Tour Masters event conducted each year in January, the player's age category and eligibility will be based on the player's age as at the last day of the year in which the qualifying events were played. This means that all winning players from the qualifying events along with the chosen Trophy of Values winners, must have competed in the correct age category as at the age they will be on the 31 December of the current year.

Eligible winners of the Tournament and winners of the Trophy of Values from each tournament will be invited to compete in the Masters event in Melbourne in January 2025. The winner of each Masters event will be offered the ultimate prize which is a two-week training camp at the Rafa Nadal Academy, all expenses paid. To be eligible for the Rafa Nadal Academy prize, you must be an Australian resident and be a member of a TA affiliated club. Full details of the prize will be confirmed by TA.

To be eligible to compete in the 2025 Rafa Nadal Tour Masters, you must compete in the qualifying event as per the following table:

YEAR BORN	FOR ELIGIBILITY FOR NADAL MASTERS 2025, PLAYERS MUST COMPETE IN				
2015*	Not eligible to participate				
2014	U12				
2013	U12				
2012	U12				
2011	U14				
2010	U14				
2009	Not eligible to participate				

<sup>\*</sup>Players under the age of 10 shall not be eligible for entry into the Rafa Nadal Tour Masters. The player's age as at the 31 December 2024 shall be used.

### Important:

- Players born in 2009 are still eligible to compete in the U14 event if they are in age and wish to accumulate Australian Junior Tour points, however they cannot be selected for the Rafa Nadal Masters event.
- Players born in 2011 are still eligible to compete in the U12 event if they are in age and wish to accumulate Australian Junior Tour points, however, cannot be selected for the U14 Rafa Nadal Masters event.
- Players born in 2015 or later are still eligible to compete in the U12 event if they wish, however cannot be selected for the Rafa Nadal Masters event.

Should a player outside the age eligibility criteria win any state event, the next highest finishing eligible player in that age group in that state will be invited to participate in the Rafa Nadal Tour Masters event in their place.



## Calendar 2024

Most details are now finalised, with the calendar as follows:

START DATE		END DATE		STATE	CITY
TUE	02-Apr-2024	SAT	06-Apr-2024	WA	Perth
WED	24-Apr-2024	SUN	28-Apr-2024	NSW	Sydney
THU	27-Jun-2024	MON	01-Jul-2024	QLD	Brisbane
MON	08-Jul-2024	WED	10-Jul-2024	NT	Darwin
THU	18-Jul-2024	SUN	21-Jul-2024	SA	West Lakes
SAT	21-Sep-2024	TUE	24-Sep-2024	VIC	TBC*
FRI	27-Sep-2024	MON	30-Sep-2024	ACT	Lyneham
TUE	08-Oct-2024	FRI	11-Oct-2024	TAS	Burnie
MON	06-Jan-2025	FRI	10-Jan-2025	VIC	Masters – Parkville TBC*

### Event #1

# 2024 Rafa Nadal Tour - WA

Date: 02 - 06 April 2024

Entries close: Wed 20 March 2024

Suburb: Burswood State: Western Australia Venue: State Tennis Centre Status: Premier Series Tournament Website

# Event #2

# 2024 Rafa Nadal Tour - NSW

**Date:** 24 – 18 April 2024

Entries close: Sunday 14 April 2024 Suburb: Sydney Olympic Park State: New South Wales

Venue: Tennis World Sydney Olympic Park

**Status:** Premier Series Tournament Website

# Event#3

# 2024 Rafa Nadal Tour - QLD

Date: 27 June - 1 July 2024 Entries close: Mon 17 June 2024

**Suburb:** Brisbane **State:** Queensland

Venue: Queensland Tennis Centre

**Status:** Premier Series Tournament Website





### Event#4

## 2024 Rafa Nadal Tour - NT

Date: 08 - 10 July 2024

Entries close: Fri 28 June 2024

Suburb: Marrara

State: Northern Territory

Venue: Darwin International Tennis Centre

**Status:** Premier Series Tournament Website

#### Event #5

## 2024 Rafa Nadal Tour - SA

Date: 18 - 21 July 2024

Entries close: Thu 22 July 2024 Suburb: West Lakes Shore Territory: South Australia Venue: West Lakes Tennis Club

Status: Premier Series Tournament Website

### Event#6

# 2024 Rafa Nadal Tour - VIC

Date: 21 – 24 September 2024 Entries close: Sat 7 September 2024

Suburb: TBC Territory: Victoria Venue: TBC

**Status:** Premier Series Tournament Website

## Event #7

# 2024 Rafa Nadal Tour - ACT

**Date:** 27 – 30 September 2024

Entries close: Tue 17 September 2024

Suburb: Lyneham

**State:** Australian Capital Territory **Venue:** Canberra Tennis Centre

**Status:** Premier Series Tournament Website

# Event #8

### 2024 Rafa Nadal Tour - TAS

Date: 08 - 11 October 2024

Entries close: Sat 28 September 2024

**Suburb:** Burnie **State:** Tasmania

Venue: Burnie Tennis Club Status: Premier Series Tournament Website





## 2024 / 2025 Rafa Nadal Masters Event



Date: 06 – 10 January 2025 Suburb: Parkville (TBC)

State: Victoria

## **Masters Event Invitations**

Eligible winners of the Tournament and Winners of the Trophy of Values from each tournament will be invited to compete in the Masters event in Melbourne in January 2025. The winner of each Masters event will win two weeks training at the Rafa Nadal Academy, all expenses paid. Full details to be confirmed. As an invitational event, the Rafa Nadal Masters does not have any Australian Tour points attached to it.

# **Behaviour and Regulations**

The Tournaments will be played in accordance with the 2024 Australian Competitive Play Regulations and Code of Behaviour. These policies can be viewed at <a href="https://www.tennis.com.au/competitiveplay/regulations">https://www.tennis.com.au/competitiveplay/regulations</a>

# **Additional Information**

More information about the Rafa Nadal Tour by Santander (Spain): <a href="www.rafanadaltour.com">www.rafanadaltour.com</a>
Further information about the Rafa Nadal Academy by Movistar: <a href="https://www.rafanadalacademy.com/en">https://www.rafanadalacademy.com/en</a>