

MELBOURNE FACT SHEET

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The health and safety of all participants, officials and event staff is paramount. A detailed biosecurity plan has been developed with this in mind and its key messages can be found at the end of this document. Please take the time to read through and understand this and contact the Tournament Director if you have any questions.

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Prizemoney	\$133,000 AUD divided across this three event series
Venue	National Tennis Centre Indoor Courts, Melbourne Park, Olympic Boulevard, Melbourne, VIC
Dates	<p><i>Event 1</i> Pool A - Women positions 1-6 and Men positions 1-8 : Monday 29 June – Thursday 2 July Pool B - Women positions 7-12 and Men positions 9-16: Friday 3 – Monday 6 July Entry deadline: Thursday 25 June (8.59 am AEST)</p> <p><i>Event 2</i> Pool A - Women positions 1-6 and Men positions 1-8: Saturday 11 – Tuesday 14 July Pool B - Women positions 7-12 and Men positions 9-16: Wednesday 15 – Saturday 18 July Entry deadline: Monday 6 July (11.59pm AEST)</p> <p><i>Event 3</i> Pool A - Women positions 1-6 and Men positions 1-8: Thursday 23 – Sunday 26 July Pool B - Women positions 7-12 and Men positions 9-16: Monday 27 – Thursday 30 July Entry deadline: Saturday 18 July (11.59pm AEST)</p>
Event Format	<p>Women</p> <p>12 players (9 direct acceptances ordered according to the latest UTR as at the close of entries plus 3 wildcards) in two pools with each pool competing in its own section of the event. Pool A playing for positions 1-6: Top 4 direct acceptances plus 2 wildcards. Pool B playing for positions 7-12: Next 5 direct acceptances plus 1 wildcard. Each pool is divided in two round-robin groups of 3 players in each. One round of matches in each round-robin group is played each day (3 days). Fourth day is the play-off for final positions with the top placed player from each group playing, the second from each group playing and the third from each group playing to determine the final positions for that pool in this event.</p> <p>Men</p> <p>16 players (13 direct acceptances ordered according to the latest UTR as at the close of entries plus 3 wildcards) in two pools with each pool competing in its own section of the event. Pool A playing for positions 1-8: Top 6 direct acceptances plus 2 wildcards. Pool B playing for positions 9-16: Next 7 direct acceptances plus 1 wildcard. Each pool is divided in two round-robin groups of 4 players in each. One round of matches in each round-robin group is played each day (3 days). Fourth day is the play-off for final positions with top placed player from each group playing, the second from each group playing, the third from each group playing and the fourth from each group playing to determine the final positions for that pool in this event.</p>

Wildcards	The National Selection panel will determine wildcard recipients.
Seedings	Women Four players in each pool will be seeded based on the latest UTR available at the time of the draw with one and two seeds placed in each round robin group and three and four seeds placed in alternate groups as drawn by lot. All other players will be randomly drawn into the remaining round robin group positions.
	Men Four players in each pool will be seeded based on the latest UTR available at the time of the draw with one and two seeds placed in each round robin group and three and four seeds placed in alternate groups as drawn by lot. All other players will be randomly drawn into the remaining round robin group positions.
Eligibility	Entry is open to all Australian players (according to country of representation as determined by the ATP, WTA or ITF.) International players may be considered for a wildcard by submitting a request to the Tennis Australia Event Manager before the entries close. Players can enter a maximum of 3 events and in only one host city subject to approval from the National Selection Panel.
Entry System	https://tatournaments.wufoo.com/forms/2020-utr-pro-tennis-series-australia-entry-form/
Surface	Hardcourt (Australian Open Greenset)
Ball	Dunlop AO Ball
Format of Play	The best of three sets, with two (2) tie-break sets using standard game scoring, and if the score reaches one set all, one match tiebreak game (10 points) shall be played to decide the match. 4 balls - ball change 7/9.
Officiating	A Chair Umpire and minimum of 1 Line Umpire will be appointed to each match.
Sports Physio	A Sports Physiotherapist will be on-site during match days only. Note the priority of care on site is as follows: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Court Calls 2. Players preparing for matches 3. Players still in the tournament and preparing for practice 4. Players still in the tournament, but who are not playing or practicing that day <i>Note – Event physios will also be treating National Academy and Pro players training at the venue during this time, so there time will be limited.</i>
Catering, Drinks and Towels	In accordance with Tennis Australia’s Biosecurity Plan, we recommend that players bring their own food, drinks and towels to the venue.
Series Regulations	The Series Regulations will be available prior to the event on the Pro Tennis Series website. Note: no Australian Ranking points will be awarded for this series.
Universal Tennis Rating (UTR) Information	Home page: https://www.myutr.com How it works: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • https://blog.universaltennis.com/2018/07/03/how-utr-works/ • https://www.myutr.com/howutrworks

<p>Prizemoney</p>	<p>Total - \$133,000 AUD divided across this three event series</p> <p><i>Per Event Breakdown (\$44,350)</i></p> <p><i>Prize money features a component based on a players final position in the event and a component based on their performance in the round-robin matches (Pool A round win \$500/round loss \$150, Pool B round win \$150/round loss \$50). Prize money breakdowns are listed below and are subject to variation if alternates are needed for an event. More details will be available in the Series Regulations.</i></p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top;"> <p>Women</p> <p><u>Pool A</u></p> <p>Winner – Up to \$3,500</p> <p>Finalist – Up to \$3,000</p> <p>3rd place – Up to \$2,550</p> <p>4th place – Up to \$2,300</p> <p>5th place – Up to \$2,000</p> <p>6th place – Up to \$2,000</p> <p><u>Pool B</u></p> <p>7th place – Up to \$1,500</p> <p>8th place – Up to \$1,250</p> <p>9th place – Up to \$1,100</p> <p>10th place – Up to \$950</p> <p>11th place – Up to \$950</p> <p>12th place – Up to \$800</p> </td> <td style="vertical-align: top;"> <p>Men</p> <p><u>Pool A</u></p> <p>Winner – Up to \$3,500</p> <p>Finalist - Up to \$3,000</p> <p>3rd place – Up to \$2,550</p> <p>4th place – Up to \$2,300</p> <p>5th place – Up to \$2,250</p> <p>6th place – Up to \$2,100</p> <p>7th place – Up to \$1,700</p> <p>8th place – Up to \$1,600</p> <p><u>Pool B</u></p> <p>9th place – Up to \$1,100</p> <p>10th place – Up to \$950</p> <p>11th place – Up to \$850</p> <p>12th place – Up to \$725</p> <p>13th place – Up to \$725</p> <p>14th place – Up to \$650</p> <p>15th place – Up to \$500</p> <p>16th place – Up to \$450</p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p>Women</p> <p><u>Pool A</u></p> <p>Winner – Up to \$3,500</p> <p>Finalist – Up to \$3,000</p> <p>3rd place – Up to \$2,550</p> <p>4th place – Up to \$2,300</p> <p>5th place – Up to \$2,000</p> <p>6th place – Up to \$2,000</p> <p><u>Pool B</u></p> <p>7th place – Up to \$1,500</p> <p>8th place – Up to \$1,250</p> <p>9th place – Up to \$1,100</p> <p>10th place – Up to \$950</p> <p>11th place – Up to \$950</p> <p>12th place – Up to \$800</p>	<p>Men</p> <p><u>Pool A</u></p> <p>Winner – Up to \$3,500</p> <p>Finalist - Up to \$3,000</p> <p>3rd place – Up to \$2,550</p> <p>4th place – Up to \$2,300</p> <p>5th place – Up to \$2,250</p> <p>6th place – Up to \$2,100</p> <p>7th place – Up to \$1,700</p> <p>8th place – Up to \$1,600</p> <p><u>Pool B</u></p> <p>9th place – Up to \$1,100</p> <p>10th place – Up to \$950</p> <p>11th place – Up to \$850</p> <p>12th place – Up to \$725</p> <p>13th place – Up to \$725</p> <p>14th place – Up to \$650</p> <p>15th place – Up to \$500</p> <p>16th place – Up to \$450</p>
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<p>Scoring and streaming</p>	<p>All matches will be live streamed and the live scores will be only available on the live stream.</p>		
<p>On-site Tournament Directors</p>	<p>For all Melbourne Series based enquiries:</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td> <p>Shelly Hart Phone: 0421 551 286 Email: shart@tennis.com.au</p> </td> <td> <p>Andrew Reynolds Phone: 0417 508 426 Email: areynolds@tennis.com.au</p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p>Shelly Hart Phone: 0421 551 286 Email: shart@tennis.com.au</p>	<p>Andrew Reynolds Phone: 0417 508 426 Email: areynolds@tennis.com.au</p>
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<p>On-site Tournament Referee</p>	<p>TBA</p>		
<p>Tennis Australia Event Manager</p>	<p>Francis Soyer Tennis Australia Phone: 0412 582 352 Email: fsoyer@tennis.com.au</p>		

Health and Safety

The Event will be conducted under significant public health restrictions brought about by the global COVID-19 pandemic. TA has put in place a thorough biosecurity plan protect Participants and the community.

The key messages for Participants from the plan are as follows:

You must stay at home if you:

- have been in contact with someone with COVID-19 in the last 14 days;
- have been overseas or exposed to someone with COVID-19 in the last 14 days;
- have fever, coughing, sore throat, shortness of breath (Symptoms);
- are in a high risk health category (i.e. aged over 70; aged over 65 or Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander aged over 50 with chronic illness including diabetes, cardiovascular disease, lung disease, cancer or obesity);
- have been tested for COVID-19 and are awaiting results.

If you have Symptoms, get tested.

Wash or sterilise your hands regularly, especially before and after eating, after going to the toilet, sneezing and coughing, and avoid touching your face.

Do not share water bottles and personal equipment.

Cover your coughs and sneezes and dispose of any used tissue immediately.

Keep at least 1.5 metres distance from those around you at all times:

- avoid hugging and kissing;
- swap handshakes for a wave; and
- turn face to face interactions into phone or video conference calls.

Entourage

Due to current COVID-19 restrictions, we can only permit that you bring one additional guest on-site with you for your match.

Education

All Participants should complete the Australian Government COVID-19 infection control training module: <https://www.health.gov.au/resources/apps-and-tools/covid-19-infection-control-training>. Many Players have previously completed this training as part of the National Academy Return to Training.

Screening

All Participants will be screened upon arrival at the Venue, i.e. taking temperatures. A record of Venue attendances will also be maintained, including phone number, time in/out etc.

TA recommends all Participants download the COVIDSafe app to help speed up the process of identifying anyone who has been in close contact with someone diagnosed with COVID-19.

<https://www.health.gov.au/resources/apps-and-tools/covidsafe-app>

Match Preparation

In accordance with the AIS Framework For Rebooting Sport In A Covid-19 Environment Framework, the Event will seek to maximize social distancing by the principle: 'Get in, [play], and get out'. Players are strongly encouraged to:

- a. arrive dressed and ready to play;
- b. minimise use of change rooms, bathrooms and communal areas;
- c. where possible, shower at home instead of the Venue;
- d. eat main meals off site;
- e. any tasks that can be done at home, should be done at home (e.g. recovery sessions, coaching feedback)
- f. parents, family and friends should be discouraged from spectating and waiting around the Venue. Unless otherwise advised, Player Support will be limited to one nominee per day, who should be notified in advance to the Tournament Director.

Matches

The Event will provide an opportunity to showcase social distancing and enhanced hygiene in tennis.

On court, you are:

- a. encouraged to wash hands before and after coming to the court, sanitise hands at change of ends and cross the net on opposite sides (to maintain distancing); and
- b. discouraged from touching your face, spitting etc., handing your towel to anyone else, pre and post-match handshakes.

Away from the Event

To reduce any likelihood of COVID-19 transmission, but also to reduce the likelihood that you are identified by Public Health Authorities as a 'close contact' of a known case (and so forced to isolate away from the Event), we recommend Participants pay special attention to avoiding extended contacts with persons outside their home for the duration of the Event and the days prior to commencement, such as

- a. over 15 minutes of face-to-face contact; or
- b. over 2 hours in a shared indoor space.

For example, reconsider extended visits to restaurants, cafes, pubs, family gatherings, travelling by public transport, visits to the hairdresser, travelling far from home and the like.

Further Details

The plan includes many further arrangements, including about cleaning, positive tests protocols, Venue requirements; however these are the key messages. If you have any questions about the biosecurity planning for the Event, please get in contact with the Tournament Director.

Cooperation, compromise and flexibility will be required on the part of TA and all Participants to deliver this Event in a biosecure manner.