Entering Overlapping Tournaments



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YES you can enter two tournaments at the same time.



YES you must finish the first tournament before you can start the second tournament.



NO you cannot ask for a schedule to enable you to play in the second tournament.



NO you cannot retire or fail to complete any of your matches from the first tournament in order to compete in an overlapping tournament, after the draws for the overlapping tournament are made public.



YES you must let both tournament directors know that you are entered in overlapping tournaments.



YES you can play two tournaments on the same day IF they are at the same venue with prior written approval from Tennis Australia and you have completed your commitment to tournament 1 before you step on court for tournament 2.



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YOU WILL BE IN BREACH IF and will receive a penalty and code violation if

- 1. Actively participate in overlapping tournaments on the same day.
- 2. If they fail to appear for their match i.e. 'No-show' in the previous tournaments match ON THE DAY OF THE OVERLAP, but play in the overlapping tournament on that same day;
- 3. Medically or otherwise, fail to complete their commitment or retire (even with production of a verifiable medical certificate) from a previous tournaments match, ON THE DAY OF AN OVERLAP, but then play in an overlapping tournament ON THAT SAME DAY;
- 4. Medically or otherwise, fail to complete their commitment or retire (even with production of a verifiable medical certificate) from a match in the previous tournament on the day prior to the Athlete's first scheduled match in an event of an overlapping tournament;
- 5. Actively seek to encourage their doubles partner to commit (3) and/or (4) above, in order to avoid a potential breach of this regulation. If the relevant referees in consultation agree that the non-withdrawing/non-retiring athlete has not sought to contrive circumstances to allow them to play in the overlapping event, then the non-withdrawing/non-retiring athlete will be allowed to play the overlapping event.

AVOID THE BREACH BY

- 1. The athlete, in entering overlapping events, is solely responsible for remaining in contact with both TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS to avoid becoming in breach of this regulation.
- 2. An athlete will be excused of any Late Withdrawal Penalty from the second tournament if they are still committed to a previous week's tournament on the day on which their first match in an event of an overlapping tournament is scheduled, provided the Athlete:
 - a) Informs the REFEREE of the overlapping tournament by 5pm on the day prior to their first scheduled match that they remain committed elsewhere: or
 - b) In the case, of them having a match scheduled after 5pm in the previous week's event, contact the referee of the overlapping tournament in advance of the 5pm deadline to inform them that upon winning, they would no longer be able to play in that overlapping tournament.
 - c) In the case of (b) above, if the Athlete loses they are no longer committed to the previous week's tournament and can play the events of the overlapping tournament. If the Athlete wins, the referee of the overlapping tournament shall withdraw the athlete from the overlapping event(s) without penalty.

