

Selection criteria and process Most Outstanding Professional Tournament

Eligibility criteria

To be eligible for consideration for the Most Outstanding Professional Tournament, the tournament must show that it:

- is an Australian Pro Tour event (ITF Men's or Women's Pro Circuit or ATP Challenger event);
- held the final day of the tournament between the award period;
- is a Tennis Australia sanctioned event and is affiliated with their Member Association;
- has undertaken its own media and promotional activities;
- has complied with all rules and regulations as set by Tennis Australia, the ATP and/or the International Tennis Federation;
- has offered players social activities and player amenities to a high standard allowing for a positive tournament atmosphere;
- implemented strategies to engage the local community with the tournament to create a yearlong legacy from the event benefiting the sport and the community;
- obtained sponsorship for the tournament and implemented strategies to service these sponsors;
- have a pro-active tournament committee;

The nomination process for Tasmanian Tennis Award

- The winners of the State Award for Most Outstanding Professional Tournament (or equivalent) will become the nominee for the National Award Most Outstanding Professional Tournament.
- States that do not have an awards night the relevant MA staff will use the below criteria to nominate a candidate for Most Outstanding Professional Tournament.

Selection criteria

The selection panel will automatically consider all eligible events conducted with no nominations being required. The selection panel will give consideration to the following in assessing and comparing events:

- the type, volume and level of success of media and promotional activities undertaken;
- the type of social activities and the standard of player amenities provided, and how this contributed to a positive tournament atmosphere;
- the type and success of strategies engaging the local community with the tournament and how this has created a legacy from the event;
- the standard of the tournament sponsorship program and the level of service provided to the sponsors;
- the level of pro-activity shown by the tournament committee and the success of the pro-active actions;
- comments from the tournament supervisors as detailed in their ITF/ATP reports; and
- comments from the players as detailed in discussions and feedback to the panel members; and
- the venue organising committee has and will not make any statement or comments, formally or informally which is likely to cause detriment, damage, or general negativity to TA or the Event, or generally bring TA's business into disrepute
- demonstrated leadership, innovation and creativity overall.



All decisions in relation to the Most Outstanding Professional Tournament award (including any questions in relation to eligibility) will be determined by the selection panel in its absolute discretion. All decisions are final, and no correspondence will be entered into.

Timeline

Date	<u>Action</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Monday 16 July 2018	Nominations open	Nominations forms and criteria to be sent out
Friday 31 August 2018	Nominations close	Nominations close 5pm
Friday 7 September 2018	Finalist notified	
Saturday 22 September – Sunday 23 September 2018	Tennis Tasmania Awards Weekend	Awards presentation evening Saturday 22 September 2018, Burnie Tennis Club
Monday 1 October 2018	Nominations due to TA	 The award period is July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018: All Pro Tour events will be considered and judged as per the criteria
Friday 19 October 2018	TA Selection Panel announces finalists	Selection Panels for each award to confirm finalist.
Monday 26 November 2018	Newcombe Medal Awards Night	