

GET INVOLVED

DEAF / HARD-OF-HEARING:

DID YOU KNOW

You can play anywhere! The rules for Deaf Tennis are the same as the rules for mainstream tennis.

BE THE BEST!

Tennis Australia has national squads and camps that can lead to YOU playing for Australia at the Deaflympics and other events.

ARE YOU ELIGIBLE?

For national and international competitions, players must have a hearing loss of at least 55 decibels in their better ear. Hearing aids and cochlear implants must be removed to compete in national and international deaf event.

INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY OR AUTISM (ID/A):

DID YOU KNOW

Players can play in mainstream tennis and/or ID/A specific state, national and international tournaments.

BE THE BEST!

Australia are currently the World Champions for Intellectual Disability tennis and currently has the world #1 male - Archie Graham.

ARE YOU ELIGIBLE?

There are three categories that athletes may compete; II-1 - Intellectual Disability (IQ under 75), II-2 - Down syndrome, II-3 - Autism.

WHEELCHAIR:

DID YOU KNOW

You don't have to be in a wheelchair to play wheelchair tennis! Anyone with a permanent mobility-related physical disability can play.

PLAY WITH YOUR FRIENDS!

Wheelchair tennis players can easily play with able-bodied friends, family, or team members.

INTERESTING FACT

Wheelchair Tennis follows the same rules as able-bodied tennis except the ball may bounce twice!

BLIND & LOW VISION TENNIS (B/LV):

DID YOU KNOW

In Blind Tennis we use bell balls, smaller courts and the ball can bounce more than once.

BE THE BEST!

People who are blind or have low vision can participate mainstream pathways and/or compete in B/LV tennis, which could lead YOU to play for Australia at international tournaments.

INTERESTING FACT

Players are classified according to their visual ability, from B1 to B4. B1 players are totally blind.

Where to get more info



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