

## 14.0 By-Law – Competitive Play Committee

- 14.1. The Tennis Victoria Competitive Play Committee (the “**Committee**”) is responsible for:
- a) Providing guidance and recommendations to the TV Board and management regarding the strategy for competitive tennis playing opportunities. The Committee shall take the broadest possible view of this topic, incorporating competitions, tournaments and events, conducted by both Tennis Victoria and other Victorian tennis organisations; and
  - b) The approval of rules and regulations of TV conducted competitions, in alignment with TV’s competition strategy.
- 14.2. The Committee shall be comprised of up to 7 voting members, including the Chair. The Chair shall have an initial and casting vote.
- 14.3. The Head of Insights & Channels, or any successor role to this title, will act as Secretariat to the Committee.
- 14.4. The Chair, at his/her absolute discretion, may seek the advice or ruling of the TV Board on any matter prior to delivering his/her casting vote.
- 14.5. The Chair of the Committee shall be a TV Director appointed annually by the Board.
- 14.6. Voting members of the committee, other than the Chair, shall be appointed by the Board for a term of 2 years. The terms of these members shall be staggered on a rolling basis, with approximately half of the members appointed each year. To enable these rolling rotations, half of the inaugural members shall be appointed for a term of 1 year.
- 14.7. An Expression of Interest process open to all affiliates will take place prior to the appointment of members, with a view to ensuring suitable skills, knowledge and diversity within the Committee, complementary to the range of different competitive tennis playing opportunities.
- 14.8. The Committee shall meet 4 times a year and have specific responsibility for:
- a) Assisting the Board and management in the development of TV’s strategy for competitive tennis playing opportunities.
  - b) Approval of all TV competition rules.

- c) The creation of any Advisory Panels established for specific competitions, including for determining any disputes, protests, complaints or similar matters related to TV competition rules.
- 14.9. A dispute, protest, complaint or similar matter determined by an Advisory Panel of the Committee may be appealed to the Disciplinary Tribunal within the timeframes and provisions set out in the competition rules for the relevant competition.
- 14.10. The Committee, at its discretion, may form Advisory Panels for specific competitions to provide input into the competition rules and other matters relevant to the competition. Any Advisory Panel shall be chaired by a member of, and appointed by, the Committee. Advisory Panels shall have between 3 and 5 members, who need not be members of the Competitive Play Committee, appointed by any such process as determined by the Advisory Panel Chair and management.
- 14.11. Advisory Panels shall meet or communicate via teleconference and/or email as and when determined by the Advisory Panel Chair. The attendance at and any recommendation(s) of any Advisory Panel(s) meeting shall be recorded by management for the Competitive Play Committee.
- 14.12. Ultimate responsibility for required grading, scheduling and host venue allocations for any TV competition rests with management. Management may consult with any Advisory Panel that exists for competition and its Chair to receive relevant input and participation in the decision making process in these areas.
- 14.13. Other than when required by the Constitution or By-Laws, the Committee Chair may report to, or consult, the Board at their own discretion or when requested to do so by the Board.
- 14.14. Any matter resolved by a vote at Committee meetings shall require a simple majority of members present at the meeting. Where voting on any matter is tied, the Chair will have a second or casting vote.

Approved by the TV Board – 23 September 2020.