



Newcombe Medal, Australian Tennis Awards selection criteria and process Junior Athlete of the Year

Eligibility criteria

- Nominees must be 18 years or under as at the end of the award period
- Nominees must be a citizen of, or hold permanent residency in, Australia.

Nomination process

- Winners of the state/territory awards for Junior Athlete of the Year – Male & Female (or equivalent) will become the nominees for the national award for Junior Athlete of the Year – Male & Female
- For states that do not have an awards night, candidates from that state are eligible for a wildcard nomination for the Junior Athlete of the Year – Male & Female award.
- If you have been unable to nominate for your state/territory award ahead of the deadline please contact Tennis Australia regarding your eligibility for a wildcard nomination – 1800 PLAY TENNIS or play@tennis.com.au.

Selection criteria

The selection panel will give consideration to the following in assessing and comparing nominees:

- commendable ranking (ATP/WTA/ITF/AR)
- demonstrated record playing for Australia (if applicable)
- appropriate and commendable attitude in line with the player values of Compete, Commit and Respect
- compliance with all rules and conducts set by Tennis Australia.

Selection process

The selection panel will be made up of the following:

- Tennis Australia National Junior Selectors.

All decisions in relation to the Junior Athlete of the Year 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.

Any matters that arise and are not covered in this document will be determined by the selection panel in consultation with Tennis Australia Management.



Timeline

<u>Date</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Notes</u>
28 October 2016	ALL nominations due to TA (including wildcard nominations)	The award period is as per the MA award period OR 30 September 2015 – 31 August 2016: 1. National award nominees will be the winners of the <u>2016</u> state/territory award and eligible wildcard nominees 2. Wildcard nominations will be accepted direct to TA from eligible candidates. All wildcard nominations must be received by 28 October 2016
4 - 7 November 2016	Finalists announced	All nominees will be contacted during this period and will be notified of their status.
28 November 2016	Newcombe Medal Awards Night	

Requirements of award recipients

The successful recipients will be required to fulfil the following items upon reasonable request:

- participate in marketing and promotional activities in the 12 months following the award
- prepare an article for *Australian Tennis Magazine*. Tennis Australia will provide editorial assistance.