



Newcombe Medal, Australian Tennis Awards selection criteria and process Most Outstanding 35+ Tennis Senior

Eligibility criteria

- Open to male and female players and administrators who are or have been members of Tennis Seniors Australia.

Nomination process

- Winners of the state/territory award for Most Outstanding 35+ Tennis Senior (or equivalent) will become the nominees for the National Award for Most Outstanding 35+ Tennis Senior
- For states that do not have an awards night, candidates from that state are eligible for a wildcard nomination for the Most Outstanding 35+ Tennis Senior
- 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
- Subject to TA approval, MA staff nominating a candidate for the Most Outstanding 35+ Tennis Senior award may consult a representative of their local state/territory Tennis Seniors body.

Selection criteria

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

- continued involvement in 35+ Seniors Tennis over a prolonged period of time, whether it be as a player, administrator or both
- assistance in raising the public profile of 35+ Seniors Tennis through demonstrated excellence in playing performance, administration or both
- demonstrated behaviours that exhibit a high level of integrity.

Selection process

The selection panel will be made up of the following:

- Tennis Australia Participation Director or designated representative
- Tennis Seniors Australia Executive Committee Member
- Member Association representative.

All decisions in relation to the Most Outstanding 35+ Tennis Senior 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.



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.