

## COACHING EXCELLENCE – DEVELOPMENT

### Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for consideration, the nominee must:

- Hold a Tennis Australia recognised qualification (High Performance preferred)
- Hold a Working with Children card (or state/territory equivalent) and have a clean National Police Check
- Be an Australian citizen or permanent resident.

### The Nomination Process for Australian Tennis

- The winners of the State Award for Coaching Excellence – Development (or equivalent) will become the nominee for the National Award for Coaching Excellence – Development
- If a state/territory does not have an award in this category, the MA may nominate a candidate from that state/territory through the online portal, provided the nominee meets all the eligibility criteria
- The national body reserves the right to enter wildcard nominees for this award

### Selection Criteria

The selection panel will consider the following in assessing and comparing nominations: Note: information regarding the coach's and player's program will remain confidential and will only be seen by the selection panel.

- Development program provided by the coach including but not limited to:
  - o Athlete development philosophy
  - o Plan and pathway for athletes entering ANZ Tennis Hot Shots through to 12s/14s Nationals (i.e. Athlete Development Pathway)
  - o Tennis-specific education provided to athletes and parents
  - o Description of high performance environment created by coach that fosters athlete learning, performance and independence.
- Development of athletes as evidenced by participation in State, National and International level events including but not limited to results, rankings and improvement benchmarks
- Quality and quantity of athletes participating in Development Talent programs during the award period

- Submission of one athlete's program including but not limited to:
  - o Athlete profile (including athlete's goals, coaching priorities, competencies and deficiencies as per the Tennis Australia Athlete Development Matrix and / or BELIEVE PERFORMANCE COACH FRAMEWORK)
  - o Athlete annual plan and tournament schedule for the past 12 months
  - o Letter of support from athlete
  - o Letter of support from parent (including confirmation and length of coaching relationship – ideally one year or more. Minimum of 6 months.)
- Attendance at junior state and national tournaments
- Involvement in Talent which may include:
  - o Attendance at Talent camps
  - o Participation in Super 10s and bridging programs
  - o Demonstrated participation in professional development opportunities
- All nominees must agree to a site visit if requested by selection panel.