

TENNIS VICTORIA REGIONAL TEAM EVENTS

Guidelines for the Selection of Country Region Teams for Tennis Victoria's Regional Team Event Series

Tennis Victoria recommends the following considerations and process to assist each of the RTE-AP reps for Country Regions and Metro Associations in the selection of their teams.

1. Selection of players and the entering of the region's teams is the responsibility of each Regional Team Event Advisory Panel region representative (RTE-AP Representative)
2. First and foremost, all regions should try to ensure that all eligible local players are aware of the opportunities to be involved in this series of team events. This includes using the Country-based Tennis Victoria representatives' local network of clubs and centres, local associations, coaches and the coach of local Regional Academy of Sport (if operational).
3. All RTE-AP reps need to be aware of the eligibility conditions for each Regional Team event and convey these to the players and the other local stakeholders such as maximum ages.
4. Options to consider when selecting players may include any of the following considerations:
 - Open trial play-off days (held a min. 6 weeks prior to an event in a knock-out or round robin format)
 - Current Universal Tennis Rating (UTR)
 - Local Events held throughout the region
 - Past performances in previous Regional Team Events
 - Participation in the local Regional Academy of Sport (if operational)
 - Head-to-head individual player results (including as displayed on the AR website)
 - Recommendations from the Tennis Victoria Regional Academy Head Coach
 - First in / first registered to participate in the team
 - Preference given to players that are closer to the age limit of the event (e.g. players who will not have the opportunity to play the same Regional Team Event again next year)
 - Combinations of several elements of above

Timelines for Regional Team Events Advisory Panel Representatives (RTE – AP) to consider for selecting athletes

1. All Regional teams event information is displayed on Tennis Victoria's website
2. Opportunity for local players to register interest to participate via an online link that will go to the RTE-AP - approx. 6-10 weeks prior to Event
3. Six (6) weeks prior to Event, those registered players notified of selection or possibly a selection trial date if required (Academy Coach can also be contacted for their input)
4. Selection trial held (if required / desired)– approx. 4-5 weeks prior to the Event
5. Players notified of selection and region uniform provided 3 weeks prior to Event
6. Team Manager for Event selected (usually the RTE-AP rep or a parent of a participating player)
7. Country Region and Metro Association team entry forms submitted to Tennis Victoria. Entries close approx. two (2) weeks before the first day of the Event.