

## **U18 Junior Nationals Revised Selection Process**

Tennis Canada's objective with the updated U18 Nationals format is to prepare players for ITF junior events and for their transition to professional tennis. As a result, the events are changing to a merit-based entry process which aligns better with ITF junior and pro circuit events.

From the 2025 season, U18 Fischer Junior Indoor and Outdoor Nationals selection will become merit-based with the following adaptations:

- 32 singles knock out draw like ITF Junior events
- 1 base allocation spot per Province/Region
- 19 direct entries based on National Bank rankings
- 4 qualifier entries from the pre-tournament qualifying draw (32 draw)
- 3 Tennis Canada High Performance spots

Tennis BC will no longer use the points race from 2 Selection Series + Provincials to determine the U18 Provincial team. Only Provincials singles results will be used to select the 1 base allocation spot for BC. Selection Series will still be run as 4star ranking events but with no implications for qualifying for the U18 Provincial Team.

If the Provincial Champion falls within the top 19 direct entries based on the National Bank rankings, the 1 base allocation spot for BC will go to the next best Provincial Championship finisher that falls outside of the 19 direct entries into U18 Nationals.

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