



ASIAN JUNIOR TOUR

PROPOSED SUMMERY OF RULE CHANGES FOR 2026

ATF 14 / 16 and Under

1. Inclusion of ITF Junior Ranking Points in ATF 14 & Under Rankings

- From 2026 onwards, any ITF Junior Ranking points accrued by a player will be incorporated into their ATF 14 & Under ranking. These points will be included provided the player has earned points in at least 1 ATF 14U tournament.
- The calculation method: ITF Junior Ranking points, where available, will be multiplied by three (3) and added to the ATF points total.
- This will be in addition to the player's best six (6) results.
- The adjustment is designed to align with global junior tennis pathways and to appropriately scale points from higher-level events.

2. Adjustments to Category 3 entry regulation, consolation matches structure and Ranking Points (14 & under)

- Currently, no ranking points are awarded for players finishing in positions 17-31 in Category 3 tournaments (entry-level events).
- All ATF Tournaments across all categories are open to every registered player to send entry. However, the National federation may choose to restrict the entries to host national only (National closed events) in ATF 14 & under category 3 only tournaments. This sanction request by the host nations will be approved on case by case taking into consideration the governmental travel restriction and the host nation must apply for the same 2 months in advance or during the tournament application process which ever is earlier.
- Proposed revision for 2026:
 - Main draw will be a Knock out draw from Round 2, there shall be a consolation draw of one round played for 1st round losers.
 - Allowing players a minimum of two matches to be played

- Points will be awarded as follows – Winner – 50, Runner 25, Semifinals – 10, Quarter finals –5, Round of 16 – 2, Consolation winner – 1
- This will allow the tournament to be completed in 3 to 4 days reducing the cost for both player and organizers and having less court time
- Nations can choose Main draw size of 32/24/16, ranking for draw size of 32 & 24 will be the same. For draw of 16 players will receive 50% of the ranking points allotted
- Doubles event at the Grade 3 tournament will be Optional for the organizers
- This change is intended to incentivize greater player participation in entry-level tournaments. Proposed-Summery-of-Rule-change-ATF-Junior-Circuit.docx

3. Revised Ranking Regulation (14 & under, 16 & under)

- Players winning by virtue of a Walk over & Bye after the they have played the 1st round will be considered as win for calculating ranking points and the ranking points as per the position that they have earned will be awarded

4. Introduction of Penalty Points including suspension points.

- To strengthen compliance and participation, the ATF proposes introducing "Penalty Points" for player withdrawing after the Qualifying sign in deadline.
- Any players who withdraw after the Qualifying sign in deadline will be penalized and 3 ranking points will be deducted. Any player who is a No show (Player's name appearing in the draw but the player does not turn up for the match) will be penalized and 5 ranking points will be deducted.
- The standard suspension points for late withdrawals and Code of conduct will be same as previous years.

5. Maximum number of Tournaments by a nations

- Nations will be divided into 3 groups with the maximum tournaments allowed to host mentioned next to them
 - a. **Group A – 12 Tournaments**
 - b. **Group B – 10 Tournaments**
 - c. **Group C – 07 Tournaments**
- Nations in the groups are mentioned in below in the next page
- Any Nations who wish to organize more tournaments than mentioned should contact the ATF and the sanction fee for the additional tournament will be double as mentioned

SL NO	GROUP		
	GROUP A	GROUP B	GROUP C
1	India	Sri Lanka	Turkmenistan
2	Japan	Kyrgyzstan	Tajikistan
3	Kazakhstan	Saudi Arabia	Jordan
4	Korea Republic	Philippines	Bangladesh
5	China	Vietnam	Nepal
6	Hong Kong	Bahrain	Iraq
7	Singapore	Pakistan	Maldives
8	Indonesia	Qatar	Lebanon
9	Malaysia	United Arab Emirates	Macau
10	Thailand	Kuwait	Bhutan
11	Uzbekistan	Iran	Brunei
12	Chinese Taipei		Syria
13			Yemen
14			Mongolia
15			Myanmar
16			Oman
17			Cambodia
18			Lao
19			Timor Leste
20			Afghanistan (suspended)
21			Korea DPR (Suspended)
22			Palestine

6. Important Player Notice – When a player enters the tournament, it is mandatory to participate in all Singles Main Draw and or Qualifying and Singles Consolation matches. A player may be excused from this obligation only if they have a valid medical condition, substantiated by a medical certificate issued by the tournament physiotherapist or physician. Players who withdraw from the tournament without providing prior notice to the referee will forfeit eligibility to receive ranking points.

7. Leaving the Tournament – If a player leaves / withdraws from the tournament without completing all their matches (Singles Main Draw and Singles Consolation) and without obtaining prior approval from the referee in the form of a valid onsite medical withdrawal, the player will forfeit all ranking points earned during the tournament, including those accumulated in previous rounds. Additionally, the player may be subject to further suspension or penalty points in accordance with Asian Tennis Federation (ATF) Tour regulations.

8. Sanction fee - The sanction fee for Category 2 tournaments will be revised to USD 250 from USD 150

9. Referee Fee - Following will be the revised officiating fee for 2026

- **Category A+ - USD 1100**
- **Category A & 1+ - USD 750**
- **Category 1 & 2 – USD 600**
- **Category 3 – USD 400 (Recommended)**

10. Minimum officiating Requirement

Category	Current regulation	Minimum required certification
Cat 3	Experienced National Referee	ATF Yellow Badge referee
Cat 2	ITF White badge	ATF Orange badge referee
Cat 1	ITF White Badge	ATF Orange badge referee
Cat 1+	ITF White Badge	ITF White badge referee
Cat A	ITF White Badge	ITF White badge referee
Cat A+	ITF Silver Badge	ITF Silver Badge Referee

12. Entry fee:

ATF 14&under

Tournament category	Entry Fee Total	Collection for organizers	ATF office (Administration fee)
Asian Junior Championships(A+)	100	100	0
Category A (Premier Series)	100(MD)/75(Q)	80(MD)/60(Q)	20/15
Category 1+ (Gold Series)	125(MD)/80(Q)	90(MD)/60(Q)	35/20
Category 1 (Bronze Series)	100(MD)/70(Q)	75(MD)/50(Q)	25/20
Category 2 (Green Series)	65	45	20
Category 3 (White Series/Level)	40	35	5

ATF 16&under

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