



NATIONAL TEAM SELECTION RULES FOR 2025

These rules are meant to be read in conjunction with TAM Notice no. N/07/2023- Procedure for composing YDP training groups for 2023 published on 30th January 2023.

Dates, venue and times

1. The round of selection matches for 2024 will commence on 4th April 2025.
2. The Team Selection will be held at the National Tennis Centre.
3. The Selection will be played from-
 - Morning -0700- 1200 hrs.
 - Afternoon- 1530- 2300 hrs.
4. Matches of players going to school in the morning hours will be scheduled for the afternoon hours.
5. Matches of players going to school in the afternoon will be scheduled for the morning hours and after school hours.

Eligibility

Please refer to eligibility criteria as defined in the TAM notice: /07/2023- Procedure for composing YDP training groups for 2023

Scheduling of matches

1. The Director reserves all rights to schedule the matches of the Selection.
2. All players are expected report to their match on time.
3. A player may be required to play 2 or more matches per day, depending on the draw.
4. If a player fails to report to their match on the scheduled time, the match will be awarded to the player who reported on time, after giving a 10-minute period. If both players fail to report to a match on time, the match will be cancelled.
5. No matches may be postponed, under any circumstance. All participating players are advised to avoid any conflicting commitments during the selection period.

6. Any player who gives more than 1 walk over will be removed from the Selections. In this case all matches played and remaining matches will be awarded to the opponents 4-0,4-0.

Recovery time in between matches

If a player has to play two or more scheduled matches a day, 1 hour recovery time will be provided in between matches.

Umpiring and disciplinary action

1. All players must respect the umpire assigned for the match and the decision of the umpire is final.
2. The ITF point penalty rule will be applied during the selections
3. Depending on the nature of offence, the Disciplinary Committee may choose to take additional disciplinary action.

Director

Niraj Gurung

Disciplinary Committee

1. Mohamed Manik
2. Ahmed Kaleem
3. Ibrahim Hussain

Selection process and the format for National Team Selections

1. Highest Nationally ranked player as per the published TAM rankings, before the selection will be automatically selected into the National Team without playing the selections (1 player).
2. Players will be divided into 2 groups (A and B) and round-robin will be played within each group and top player in each group will qualify to the team.
3. The *2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th ranked player* in each group (A and B) will play a round robin amongst them for identifying the 3 remaining positions of the National Team.
4. All Matches will be played in best of three short sets (4 games). If a set is tied at 3 games all, a regular tiebreak will be played to decide the winner of the set.
5. In the event of 1-1 set all, a super tiebreak will be played to decide the winner of the match.

6. No add rule will be followed in ALL matches.
7. The following criteria will be used to divide the players into 2 groups (A and B).
 - a. Player with the highest-ranking points in the current National A team will be given the first seed and placed in Group A.
 - b. Player with the second highest ranking in the current National A team will be given the second seed and placed in Group B.
 - c. Player with the third highest ranking points in the current National A team will be given the third seed and will be placed in either Group A or Group B by toss.
 - d. Player with the fourth highest ranking points in the current National A team will be given the fourth seed and will be placed in either Group A or Group B by toss.
 - e. Player with the fifth highest ranking points in the current National A team will be given the fourth seed and will be placed in either Group A or Group B by toss.
 - f. Player with the sixth highest ranking points in the current National A team will be given the fourth seed and will be placed in either Group A or Group B by toss.
 - g. Player with the seventh highest ranking points in the current National A team will be given the fourth seed and will be placed in either Group A or Group B by toss.
 - h. Player with the eighth highest ranking points in the current National A team will be given the fourth seed and will be placed in either Group A or Group B by toss.
 - i. Remaining players will be placed to groups by a toss.

Round Robin Draw Format Rules

1. The final standings of each group shall be determined by the following priority:
 - b. Highest number of wins
 - c. Head to head results (if only two players are tied)
 - d. Highest percentage of sets won
 - e. Highest percentage of games won
 - f. For the purposes of the calculations above, when a match is played with a deciding match tiebreak instead of a final set, the tie-break will count as a set won or lost by one game to nil.

- g. Each set of a match won by default will be recorded as a 4-0. A player winning due to retirement of an opponent will be awarded as many games as are required to achieve a result.

For example, if a player retires when winning 2-1 in the first set, his/ her opponent will win the match 4-2, 4-0

General

1. No players/ parents/ coaches and spectators are allowed to stay on the playing area
2. Access to the playing area is only allowed for the officials, members of the organizing committee, players with scheduled matches for the day and the umpires assigned
3. In the event of a medical break taken by a player, a maximum of 2 Assistants may provide the necessary support to the player in need and no additional Assistant must be allowed on the playing area.
4. No players/ parents/ coaches and spectators are allowed to communicate with the player(s), once the match is commenced. These include giving any instructions to players during the course of the match or applaud while a point is being played.
5. Coaches and parents failing to honour this rule may be advised by the Umpire or Director. Umpires and the Director have the right to instruct parents and coaches to leave the tournament venue, in the event of repeated non-compliance to this rule.
6. Any complaints against any officials or umpires may be brought to the attention of the Director.

Extraordinary Circumstances

Notwithstanding any clause in this Rules Book, Director in consultation with the Organizing Committee, reserve the right to amend the rules, where an unforeseen situation/circumstance not covered in the Rules arise during the course of the Selections.

