



Atlantic Tennis Alliance

Indoor Playing Ops

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INDOOR Junior Atlantics Qualifying

Qualifying for the 2024 Indoor Junior Atlantics will be based solely on the National Bank Rankings. The top 8 ranked players in Atlantic Canada in each age group as of Wednesday February 7th, 2024 for each gender will qualify to play in the Indoor Atlantics, *regardless of which province they are from*. Players who are in the top 8 in their primary age group, and an older age , will qualify for both events.

However, playing both events at the Atlantics is discouraged unless you plan to attend both Nationals, should you qualify. If a player in the top 8 does not accept their spot by Friday, February 9th, the next player in line by ranking will be offered the vacant spot.

**Note; In an effort to have all top players compete in both eligible categories, we are adding 1 day to the Atlantics to allow for sufficient rest time between matches for players who wish to compete for 2 Nationals spots.*

Indoor Circuit:

The 2023-2024 Indoor ATA Circuit will consist of Four 3.5-Star and Four 4-Star events, concluding with the 5-Star Atlantic Junior Championships (National Selections). These tournaments will give players the opportunity to earn points to climb into the top 8 in rankings, and to qualify for the Atlantics.

**Note the 3.5 Star and 4* events are open to players outside of Atlantic Canada.*

'Playing Up' Rule:

For 4-Star Events, Players may only play up one age division. I.e. Their Primary Age category and the age group above.

2023/2024 indoor schedule of events:

PLAYERS MAY PLAY IN THEIR 2023 AGE GROUP(S) FOR ANY EVENT HELD UNTIL THE END OF 2023 AS THESE ARE FOR 2024 ATLANTICS QUALIFICATION.

November 3-5 – Atlantic Tennis Centre (Bedford) **3.5 Star**

November 17-19- NB - Abony Centre (Fredericton) **3.5 Star (MAX OF 40 PLAYERS)**

November 24 - 26 - NL (St. John's) **3.5 Star**

December 1-3, PEI 3.5 Star (Charlottetown) **(U10 and U12 Boys and Girls, U14 Girls Only)**

December 8-10 PEI 3.5 Star (Charlottetown) **(U14 Boys Only, U16 and U18 Boys and Girls)**

December 27 - 30 - Headstart Tennis Centre (Halifax) **3.5 Star**

January 5-7 - NB, Abony Centre (Fredericton) **4 Star**

January 12-14 - NL (St John's) **4 Star**

January 19 - 21 - NS Atlantic Tennis Centre (Bedford) **4 Star**

February 2-4 - PEI 4 Star Cougar Dome (Truro) **4 Star**

Qualification Top 8 Cut Off - Wednesday, February 7th

February 21-25 - Junior Indoor Atlantics 5 Star (SobeysATC) Bedford, NS

Registration for the above events is done through the respective Provincial Tennis Association in which the event is being held. General format, depending on numbers, will be standard draws with 1st round consolation. Provinces have the option to make modifications to the format.

Seeding for all events will be based on rankings.

UNDER 10 QUALIFYING

Since there are no Under 10 rankings, players will qualify through a point's race for the 8 available spots (boys and girls) at Indoor Atlantics.

A player's best 3 tournament results will be used to determine standings for a point's race using the table below. At the conclusion of all the circuit events, the top 8 boys and top 8 girls will earn spots. If one or more players are tied, the following will be used break the tie (*note: points are different between a 4* and 3.5* events, however this indoor season we will only have 4* events*)

1. Head to head results from the indoor circuit
2. Under 12 national rankings.
3. Total number of games won versus games lost from a player's best 3 circuit events.

Points Race Schema for the Under 10 Circuit Events

Placement	Points for 4-Star / 3.5 Star
Champion	100 / 75
Finalist	70 / 45
3rd	50 / 30
4th	40 / 25
Quarter-Finalist	20 / 15
Round of 16	10 / 7.5
Consolation Round Winner	7.5 / 5
Consolation Finalist	5 / 3

Nationals Wildcards

On rare occasions, the ATA will accept requests for a Nationals wildcard spot from a player who is unable to attend the Atlantics for valid reason (out of province training, injury). A maximum of one wildcard per age group, per gender may be awarded to a player who is deemed to be one of the top players in their division. Any request for a wildcard must be sent to the ATA Administrator, Steve Mahar at least 14 days in advance of the first day of the Atlantics tournament. The awarding of a wildcard will require unanimous consent of the 4 PTAs and will be communicated to players 10 days prior to the start of play of the Atlantics.

Indoor Atlantics:

The 2024 Indoor Junior Atlantics will be held in Halifax, NS February 22 - 25 . The event will be a 4 day tournament with play to begin first thing Thursday morning. Players may qualify in 2 singles events (if in Top 8) and play in 2 singles draws at the Indoor Atlantics; however, they must be prepared to play as many as 3 or 4 matches each day (not more than 2 per singles division) as required by the scheduling process.

Divisions:

Under 10 Boys & Girls Singles

Under 12 Boys & Girls Singles

Under 14 Boys & Girls Singles

Under 16 Boys & Girls Singles

Under 18 Boys & Girls Singles

Under 10 Doubles (may be combined)

Under 14 Boys & Girls Doubles

Under 18 Boys & Girls Doubles

Atlantics Format:

All singles divisions will be standard elimination draws (maximum of 8) with feed in consolation to the semis. Scoring format for all singles matches, both main draw and consolation, will be best 2 of 3 tiebreaker sets. Small draws May use a modified format. Under 10 will play best 2 out of 3 short sets to 4, with a standard 12-pt tiebreak at 3 games all.

Doubles divisions will be standard elimination draws with no consolation. Scoring format for doubles will be best 2 of 3 sets, no ad scoring, and 3rd set 10 point super tiebreaker. Doubles will be modified to 8-Game Pro-sets if time constraints become a factor.

Seeding for Atlantics: seeds will be as per the National Bank Rankings (Under 10 will be seeded as per the point's race standings) and as per the Tennis Canada Rules of the Court as it relates to seeding. All Atlantics Draws will have 4 Seeds, based only on ranking.