

2010

Ranking Rules for Juniors

NEW REGULATIONS/INFORMATION FOR 2010 HIGHLIGHTED IN YELLOW

2010 JUNIOR AGE ELIGIBILITY

Age Group	Born	End of Eligibility
8	2002 and later	Eligible all year
8	2001	Last day of month preceding month of 9th birthday
10	2000 and later	Eligible all year
10	1999	Last day of month preceding month of 11th birthday
12	1998 and later	Eligible all year
12	1997	Last day of month preceding month of 13th birthday
14	1996 and later	Eligible all year
14	1995	Last day of month preceding month of 15th birthday
16	1994 and later	Eligible all year
16	1993	Last day of month preceding month of 17th birthday
18	1992 and later	Eligible all year
18	1991	Last day of month preceding month of 19th birthday

NOTES ON AGE ELIGIBILITY

The beginning date of a tournament determines the player's eligibility for that tournament. Juniors may play in an age division until the month they age out of that division. This means that players who are 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 or 18 years old may continue to play in their age divisions until the month they turn 9, 11, 13, 15, 17 or 19 respectively. The chart above determines 2010 eligibility.

SANCTIONED TOURNAMENTS

A. DEFINITION

1. Tournaments sanctioned in North Carolina shall be designated by the local Tournament Committee, as "closed" or "open" and entry eligibility within the age classification for any tournament, depending upon its designation, shall be as follows:
 - a. "Closed": Any person who is a resident of, and domiciled in, the State of North Carolina for at least thirty (30) days prior to the first day of the tournament and who during the current ranking year has not entered a closed tournament in any other USTA District (State) or any Section other than the Southern Section of USTA.
 - b. "Open": Any person without regard to residence or domicile.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ANNUAL YEAR-END RANKINGS

1. To qualify for an annual year-end ranking, a junior player must be a member of the North Carolina Tennis Association (a USTA member living in North Carolina) and fulfill the minimum ranking requirements. Appeals of tentative year-end rankings are solely to correct data input errors.

2. RANKING YEAR: The USTA NORTH CAROLINA JUNIOR RANKING YEAR for 2010 runs January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010 for year-end final rankings.
3. Annual year-end final rankings will be published after the tournaments are completed at the end of the calendar year. Included in those rankings will be anyone age eligible at anytime during that ranking period and meeting the required minimum number of points and tournaments played.
4. The USTA NORTH CAROLINA annual year-end ranking lists will include results only from the age division being ranked, singles and doubles combined, and taking place during the applicable calendar year. Ranked players must have earned a minimum of 18 ranking points in the age division being ranked. And, must meet the following tournament requirements in singles play **(exception: 8s & 10's QuickStart will be listed alphabetically:**
 - a. **Four (4)** NC tournaments of any level**

OR

 - b. A NC State Closed and two other NC tournaments of any level.**

OR

 - c. **One (1)** National Championship (not including National Opens) plus a NC State Closed and one other NC event of any level.**

OR

 - d. High School Tennis Varsity Letter plus **three (3)** other NC events of any level. Satisfactory completion of a High School Varsity Letter will be determined by the high school. Players must contact the USTA NORTH CAROLINA office by October 31st of the ranking year and the AD returns the form to the USTA NORTH CAROLINA office by December 1st to receive these credits. You can only use HS credit in one age division.**

****NOTE:** The following tournaments do NOT count as a NC tournament: BullFrogs, Zonals, Southern Closed, Southern Open, or National events.

COMBINED RANKING/STANDINGS REGULATIONS

This ranking system will include results from singles matches and doubles matches in all tournaments that are now included in the calculation for the USTA North Carolina Standings list. The points earned in singles competition will be combined with the points earned in doubles competition to form one final point total that will be used for the USTA North Carolina Standings list and the USTA North Carolina year-end ranking list. Players will receive credit for 100% of their singles points from their best six (6) singles events along with 15% of their doubles points from their best six(6) doubles events. See the example chart below:

Best 6 singles tournaments=1500 points
 Best 6 doubles tournaments + 1200 points
 15% of 1200=180 points
 1500+180=1680

1. Each player's standings and year-end annual ranking will be based on his/her best **six (6)** tournament results in singles and doubles during the computation period. A player may access his/her player record on www.nctennis.com.
2. Bonus points are only attached to the singles event in which they are earned. If an event

total (including both round points and bonus points) is not among a player's best six events, neither the event points nor the bonus points will count toward the player's standing or ranking point total. No bonus points are awarded for doubles.

3. Byes do not qualify as wins.
4. Withdrawals, defaults, and walkovers qualify as wins for the advancing player and earn round points, but do not earn bonus points.
5. USTA NORTH CAROLINA will publish on www.nctennis.com a Junior Standings List at least once per month. This list will be updated continually throughout the year and may be used by tournament directors for seeding information and by USTA NORTH CAROLINA selection committees for selection to teams and events. (Tournament Directors are encouraged to use the most recent update of the USTA NORTH CAROLINA Standings List available when the draw is made. The tournament retains the right to adjust if necessary in accordance with the NC seeding criteria.) The Junior Standings List will be computed for all age eligible players possessing a minimum of 6 points.

The USTA NORTH CAROLINA will not accept any phone calls about placement on the Junior Standings List. Questions and/or corrections should be made in writing to the USTA NORTH CAROLINA office or emailed to rankings@nctennis.com. Please include name and age division on all correspondence.

Corrections may not be reflected on player records until the next Junior Standings List is published. The Junior Standings List may not be appealed.

6. Tiebreak rules for standings and annual year-end ranking lists:
 - a. Player whose best event has the highest number of points, second best, third best, etc. through six events.
 - b. Total bonus points earned in all events played during the computation period.
 - c. Highest single opponent bonus earned, second highest, third highest, etc.
 - d. Best random draw number.
7. The USTA NORTH CAROLINA Combined Standings list will include results in multiple age divisions in which the player is age eligible. Combined Standings will reflect the previous 12-months points in both the upper and lower age divisions. Lists will include all age eligible players having accumulated at least 6 NC points from the age division being ranked, as well as results from "playing up" multiple divisions, and taking place during the computation period. A player's standings value will be calculated on his/her best six single and six doubles tournament results during the computation period.
8. In standings lists only the results of players "playing up" multiple divisions will count. Points earned in an age division will be applied to a player's record in that division, as well as all younger division for which the player is eligible in both singles and doubles. For example, if a 12s player plays a tournament in the 16's, the results will count in their 12s, 14s, and 16s standings (if those results are among their best 6). Bonus Points are determined by the age division in which the match is played, regardless of the Standing List the result is used in. The standings will still be computed from the six (6) best singles and doubles tournament point totals, regardless of age divisions from which the points were acquired. See chart below:

BG18: Result included only from 18's

BG16: Results included from 16s and 18s if eligible in both divisions

BG14: Results included from 14s, 16s, 18s if eligible in all three divisions

BG12: Results included from 12's, 14's, 16s, and 18s if eligible in all 4 divisions

BG10 Results included from 10s, 12s, 14s, 16s, and 18s if eligible in all five divisions

JUNIOR CONSIDERATIONS

A. HOURS & REST FOR JUNIORS

- A. A player in the 10 & under, 12 & under, and 14 & under should not start a match nor resume a suspended match after 8:00 pm. A player in the 16 & under or 18 & under should not start a match nor resume a suspended match after 10:00 pm. All players should be given at least 12 hours rest between the completion of the last match & the first match the following day.
- B. In singles a junior player should be entitled to a minimum of 60 minutes rest period between matches when playing the best of 3 sets. 30 minutes rest for matches played with a 10 point match tiebreak in lieu of a 3rd set.
- C. In the event of inclement weather, the tournament referee should have the right to depart from the above rules 1 & 2 if necessary to complete the tournament within the tournament dates.

B. SCORING METHODS ACCEPTED FOR RANKING IN NC

LISTED BELOW ARE THE ONLY FORMATS FOR SCORING ACCEPTED FOR RANKING IN NC. FOR TOURNAMENTS THAT FAIL TO COMPLY, THE REFEREE AND THE TOURNAMENT ARE SUBJECT TO SUSPENSION.

FOR PLAYERS WHO COMPETE IN EVENTS/MATCHES THAT FAIL TO MEET THESE REQUIREMENTS THOSE PLAYERS MAY NOT HAVE THOSE EVENTS/MATCHES INCLUDED IN THEIR RANKING.

THESE ARE THE ONLY SCORING FORMATS ACCEPTED FOR NC RANKING FOR JUNIORS

1. Two out of three tie break sets
2. Two out of three sets with a 10-point match tiebreak used in lieu of the third set.
3. No-Ad scoring may be used as determined by the referee.
4. 8 game pro sets (with set tiebreak played at 8 games all) may be used for DOUBLES ONLY. IT IS PROHIBITED IN SINGLES.
5. Match play for the Boy's and Girl's 10 & 12 and Under will consist of 2 out of 3 sets with a MATCH (10 pt) Tiebreak used in lieu of the third set.
6. L1, L2, L-3, L-4, L-5 may use short set scoring ONLY when granted specific permission on a case by case basis by the NCTA in the event of inclement weather. Use short sets- first to 4 games by 2. Two out of three tiebreak sets. 7 point, set tiebreak at 4-4. Match Tiebreak (10 point tiebreak) in lieu of the third set.
7. L5 Junior Futures Tournaments may play two out of three short sets with a match (10 point) tie- break in lieu of the third set for singles as long as this is a one day event & this format is stated on the website no later than the first day of the month preceding the tournament.
8. For QuickStart Tournaments:
 - 8 & under- best 2 out of 3 games, 1st to 7 points wins game – if someone wins the first 2 games the match is over. At 6-6 next point wins the game

- 10 & under- Best of 3 sets of 1st to 4 games wins a set & for the 3rd set the first player to win 7 points wins the match. Games are the first to win 4 points.

C. COACHING

During a match in a junior tournament, coaching is permitted ONLY during an authorized intermission. The one and one-half minute period between change of courts is not an authorized intermission nor is the 2 minute set break between sets or 3rd set match tiebreak played in lieu of a 3rd set. The mandatory 10-minute rest between the second and third sets as specified under USTA regulations and any authorized suspension of play is an authorized intermission.

EVENT LEVELS

The USTA NORTH CAROLINA Sanction and Schedule Committee and Junior Competition Committee will determine the appropriate levels of the events considered for USTA NORTH CAROLINA Junior Standings and Ranking lists each year. Following are the tiers of events for 2010:

- Level 1: **NC Junior Spring State Closed Championship**
 Tar Heel Qualifier
 NC Junior Summer State Closed Championship
 National Level 1
 Southern Level 1 (Southern Junior Closed)
 Bullfrog Southern Junior Cup
- Level 2: Greensboro April Championships
 Olde Providence Clay Court Open Championships
 NC State Jr. Team Tennis Championships (*Advanced Division*)
 USTA Jr. Team Tennis National Championships (*Advanced Division*)
 National Level 2 Events
 Southern Level 2 Events
- Level 3: Stronger USTA NORTH CAROLINA Junior Tournaments based on selected criteria from 2009
 NC State Jr. Team Tennis Championship (*Intermediate Division*)
 USTA Southern Jr. Team Tennis Championships (*Advanced Division*)
 USTA Jr. Team Tennis National Championships (*Intermediate Division*)
 National Level 3 Events
 Southern Level 3 Events
- Level 4: All Remaining USTA NORTH CAROLINA Junior Tournaments (with the exception of Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, and Level 5 NC events)
 USTA Southern Jr. Team Tennis Championships (*Intermediate Division*)
- Level 5: USTA NORTH CAROLINA Junior Futures (Novice) Tournaments

How is the Criteria Determined for NC Level 3 and Level 4 Events?

In the Points Per Round Ranking System, tournaments will fall into categories, or Tiers, to determine the point values a player receives when playing in a particular tournament. Tier 1 consists of the Tar Heel Qualifier and the 2 State Closed. Tier 2 consists of the Greensboro April Championships & the Olde Providence Clay Court Open Championships. Tier 5 will be for NC Futures tournaments. The remaining NC tournaments will fall in the Tiers 3 & 4 based on the criteria detailed below to determine

relative strength.

The first component in determining the strength value of a tournament is the average size of the draw. The size of the draw is given a point value based in Chart A. The average number of players in a draw is determined by the number of players entered into a tournament divided by the number of draws held.

The second component in determining the strength value is the quality of the players competing in the event. This is addressed in Chart B. For each highly ranked player (Top 50 in NC & Top 100 in USTA Southern Section), the tournament will be awarded a certain number of points. The player's ranking is based only on the age group in which he or she is playing. Therefore, when a player ranked #25 in the Boys 12's in NC plays in the Boys 14's (and is not ranked in the Top 50 in NC in the 14's), the tournament will not receive a point for him.

These two components will be added together. The value of the Tournament Director Point System (this point system is designed to give tournament directors points if they do not comply with NC Sanction and Schedule Rules) will then be subtracted from the previous two components to calculate a final tournament value. Depending on this value, the tournament will be determined either a Level 3 or Level 4.

Chart A	
Ave players per draw	Points Awarded
Number of players per draw times 2	

Chart B	
Ranked Players	Points Awarded
NC Ranked Players Top 50:	1 point per player
USTA Southern Section Ranked Players Top 100:	2 points per player

The top 15% of our regular tournaments (and ties) by final point value will be classified as Level 3 and all remaining tournaments as Level 4. A minimum of 12 events will be classified as Level 3, even if the top 15% guideline produces a smaller quantity of events. Additionally, a minimum of three events will be classified as Level 3 in each of the four geographic regions of NC (I, II, III, & IV as detailed in the Sanction & Schedule Rules for Sanctioned Tournaments), even if their point values are below the top 15% guideline.

SPECIAL JUNIOR TOURNAMENTS

There are **six** types of tournaments held throughout the year that differ from a standard junior tournament.

A. TAR HEEL QUALIFIER TOURNAMENT

North Carolina is a state association of the Southern Section of the USTA. Each year, the Southern Section holds the Southern Closed Championships (June) for each age group Boy's and Girl's 10-18's. In order to qualify for the Southern Closed Championships (June) a N.C. junior must first play the TARHEEL QUALIFIER TOURNAMENT. The tournament format will be as follows:

1. **Singles draws will be limited to 64 with a feed-in consolation.**
2. **Selection will be based on a NC standings list run in mid-May 2010. The top 64 (age eligible) applicants will be selected.**

3. Seeding: seed by the USTA North Carolina Seeding Criteria.
4. A player may play in only **one (1)** age division.
5. Players must meet USTA NORTH CAROLINA, STA, and USTA residency requirements:
 - a. Players must be domiciled in and a resident of the State of North Carolina for 30 days preceding the start of the Tar Heel Qualifier. In addition, they shall be citizens of the U.S., resident aliens in possession of a valid alien registration receipt card, or aliens who have resided in the United States continuously for more than one year and are members of the families of persons in the diplomatic or consular corps.
 - b. To make sure all competitors playing in the Tar Heel Qualifier are eligible to compete in the Southern Closed, and possibly the National Championships if chosen, the NCTA will require that all players must have a copy of a **Birth Certificate or Green Card** on file in the NCTA office for proof of citizenship before play begins in the Tar Heel Qualifier.* A player may submit the information by fax (336-852-7334), email (jane@nctennis.com) or regular mail. A list of those competitors who already have submitted their proof of residency to the STA office will not have to do so to the NCTA office. The list of NC competitors who have already fulfilled that requirement will be posted on the Tar Heel Qualifier website and www.nctennis.com, thus not having to do so again.
6. **Parent Education Forums:** At least one parent or guardian of a child planning to enter the 10's or the 12's of the 2010 Tar Heel Qualifier and the 2010 North Carolina Junior State Closed Championships must view the presentation prior to the deadline of the tournament registration in order for their child to be eligible to play. Others are welcome and viewing by all age groups is strongly encouraged. Viewing instructions are available on www.nctennis.com.
7. Only the Waiver Committee may grant a waiver from the Tar Heel Qualifier. In all such cases, except for illness or injury as set forth below, a written request for consideration for waiver may be submitted one month prior to close of entries to the Tar Heel Qualifier. **A written request for consideration of a waiver other than injury must be submitted by/before the Tar Heel Qualifier entry/registration deadline.** A request does not guarantee that a waiver will be granted. At its sole discretion, the waiver committee may grant a waiver to any player presenting extraordinary conditions in support of a request for waiver. School conflicts or graduations are not considered extraordinary conditions.
 - a. A waiver will not be granted to a player for play in any age group above his own. Example: A 14 year old may not play in the 16's and ask to be selected to the Southern Closed in the 14's. Selection must be in the age group in which one participates in the Tar Heel Qualifier.
 - b. Waivers for illness or injury will be considered for those who are forced to withdraw from the Tar Heel Qualifier due to illness or injury prior to the tournament. In all such cases, a request for waiver must be accompanied by a written medical document of disability, signed by a licensed physician. However, if such waiver is granted, this player will be

selected to the Southern Jr. Closed Championships only if he/she is otherwise qualified and if the strength of the overall record legitimately ranks him/her within the selected group.

- c. A player ranked #1-16 in the nation in the 12s or #1-24 nationally in the 14s,16s,or 18s may request a waiver from the Tar Heel Qualifier and still be selected to the Southern Closed Championships in his/her own age group to enter a tournament offering an undeniable developmental opportunity for the player. If a player meets these requirements for exemption, they may make the decision to play up in the THQ but still be endorsed to the Southern Closed in the lower division.

B. THE SOUTHERN JUNIOR CLOSED CHAMPIONSHIP

THE SOUTHERN JUNIOR CLOSED CHAMPIONSHIP (June) is the tournament that brings together the strongest players in each age group (BG 10-18) from each of the nine districts (states) in the Southern Section. In order to be selected from North Carolina, one must play in the Tar Heel Qualifier. For a NC player, entry into the Junior Southern Closed Tournament is made through the USTA NORTH CAROLINA Junior Selection Committee. Entry to the Southern Junior Closed Championship is done online at www.southern-tennis.com through TennisLink. Each of the nine states in the Southern Section of USTA has a quota for entries and NC will select its strongest players. Selection to the Junior Southern Closed Tournament is based primarily on the most recent update of the USTA NORTH CAROLINA Standings List calculated with the results of the Tar Heel Qualifier. The Junior Selection Committee retains the right to adjust if necessary. Juniors must play in the singles event of the Tar Heel Qualifier in the age group one wants to be considered for selection. Applications for selection to the Southern Closed Championship in an age division other than the age division the player participated in (in the Tar Heel Qualifier) will not be considered. All players wanting to be selected must go onto www.southerntennis.com and enter through TennisLink prior to the listed Southern Closed entry deadline. You will not be selected by USTA NORTH CAROLINA if you have not entered the Southern Closed.

Because of the limited time between the end of the Tar Heel Qualifier and closing of entries into the Southern Closed, cooperation between all concerned will be appreciated. The following guidelines will help you and the NC Selector complete the process more efficiently:

1. It is the player's responsibility to enter the tournament online through TennisLink at www.southerntennis.com prior to the entry deadline.
2. The Selector will inform the player whether he/she is on the Selector's list for the Southern Junior Closed Championships. The Selector's list will be posted on www.nctennis.com at the end of the Tar Heel Qualifier.
3. The player should make reservations, such as motel, travel, etc. The player may cancel if not selected. It is better to be prepared.
4. Results of doubles matches at the Tar Heel Qualifier will not help the player qualify.

C. THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE CLOSED CHAMPIONSHIPS

THE **N.C. JUNIOR SPRING STATE CLOSED CHAMPIONSHIPS** & the N.C. JUNIOR SUMMER STATE CLOSED CHAMPIONSHIPS. The Parent Forum is required viewing

for 10's & 12's parent before entry. Also, birth certificates or proof of residency are required to be on file for all age divisions. Please see the Junior Tournament schedule and/or www.nctennis.com for details.

- **Residency Requirements for the Junior State Closed**

"Closed": Any person who is a resident of, and domiciled in, the State of North Carolina for at least thirty (30) days prior to the first day of the tournament and who during the current ranking year has not entered a closed tournament in any other USTA District (State) or any Section other than the Southern Section of USTA.

D. NATIONAL TOURNAMENTS & BULLFROG/STA TOURNAMENTS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS 10-18

For more information and a schedule of tournaments, please see www.nctennis.com.

E. FUTURES JUNIOR TOURNAMENTS

Futures Junior Tournaments are open to all players except those with the following standings:

Boys & Girls 18s 1-50
Boys & Girls 16s 1-80
Boys & Girls 14s 1-80
Boys & Girls 12s 1-80
Boys & Girls 10s 1-10

Standings used to determine eligibility for a futures event are the Final Standings from the month prior to the tournament's entry deadline. The final standings of a month are the standings published on or near the last day of that month. Once a player is ineligible s/he may become eligible again if his/her ranking falls outside the above standing range. A PLAYER INELIGIBLE TO PLAY FUTURES IN ANY AGE DIVISION IS INELIGIBLE TO PLAY FUTURES IN ALL AGE DIVISIONS. **The Parent Forum is required viewing for 10's & 12's parent before entry.** For more information, go to www.nctennis.com.

F. QuickStart

1. **Sanctioned:** Co-ed 8 & under and Boy & Girl 10's & under. Players will be listed online alphabetically at the end of the calendar year. See QuickStart tournament schedule at www.ncquickstarttennis.com.

REMIBURSEMENT FOR JUNIORS

The North Carolina Tennis Association will reimburse juniors for the following events:

- A. \$50 for each Southern Junior Closed (June event) or USTA National Junior Open
- B. \$100 for each USTA National Junior Championship or Zonal not held in North Carolina
- C. \$50 for each National Championship or Zonal held in North Carolina
- D. The deadline for request for reimbursement is October 31, 2010. Requests should include events from October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010. Please complete the form at www.nctennis.com and submit. The online form will be available in late summer.

SPORTSMANSHIP

At the time of selection for teams, training camps, or other special opportunities, a player will NOT be considered if he/she has at that point accumulated 6 or more suspension points. Also, the selection committee may use their judgment if past suspensions should be taken into consideration.

SUSPENSION POINT SYSTEM

The USTA Junior Suspension Point System will be in effect for all USTA NORTH CAROLINA Junior tournaments. The points may be accrued from a USTA NORTH CAROLINA, STA and USTA tournament. If a player receives ten or more Junior Suspension Points during a 12-month period, the player will be suspended from competing in USTA NORTH CAROLINA sanctioned junior events for twelve weeks. At the time of selection for teams, training camps, or other special opportunities, a player will NOT be considered if he/she has at that point accumulated 6 or more suspension points. Also, the selection committee may use their judgment if past suspensions should be taken into consideration.

JUNIOR SUSPENSION VIOLATIONS AND POINTS

- A. Code Violations:
 - Each code violation (point, game, or default): 2 points
- B. Defaults/Retirements: (+Suspension points for defaults are in addition to points previously assessed for code violations)
 - Default for flagrant unsportsmanlike conduct on or off court: 8 points
 - Default for refusal to play or continue to play (for reasons other than illness, injury, or personal emergency): 5 points
 - Default or Retirement because of an Adult Discipline: 5 points
 - Default for no-show: 5 points
 - Default for late arrival: 1 point
 - Disqualification for ineligibility: 3 points
- C. Improper Entry or Withdrawal
 - Being entered when entries close in two or more sanctioned tournaments scheduled to overlap unless each Tournament Committee approves the multiple entries in writing: 1st offense 2 points-----2nd offense - 5 points
 - Withdrawal from tournament after entries closed for reason other than injury, illness, personal emergency, or previously authorized entry into another tournament: 4 points
- D. Unsportsmanlike Conduct
 - Unsportsmanlike conduct or inappropriate conduct on court after a match or off court at locations such as the tournament site, hotel, housing, or tournament sponsored event: 5 points
 - Not using best efforts to win: 2 point
 - **Failure to complete tournament for any reason other than retirement during a match due to injury: 1 point**
- E. Gross Misconduct
 - Physical violence against another person on or off court by a player, relative, coach, or other person associated with a player: 10 points
 - Illegal use or possession of drugs: 8 points
 - Possession or drinking alcoholic beverages: 8 points
 - Gambling activity (see USTA Regulation IV.C.20.): 8 points
 - Destruction of property: 9 points
- F. Playing Under Suspension

- Playing in any sanctioned tournament while suspended by USTA or one of its Sectional Associations: 10 points
- G. ITF Suspension Points
- + Each suspension point assessed by ITF tournaments and USTA International tournaments become 1 (one) suspension point under the Suspension Point System: 1 point

THE JUNIOR SUSPENSION POINT SYSTEM PROCEDURE

1. To issue a Junior Suspension Point, the Referee will fill out and sign along with the Code of Conduct Report.
 The Tournament Director will be responsible for e-mailing or faxing it to USTA NORTH CAROLINA within 24 hours after the completion of the tournament. The player will also receive a copy of the report. The USTA NORTH CAROLINA office will record and keep track of all Junior Suspension Points.
2. When the player reaches six Junior Suspension Points, the player will be notified that he/she is nearing the possibility of suspension. At the time of selection for teams, training camps, or other special opportunities, a player will NOT be considered if he/she has at that point accumulated 6 or more suspension points. Also, the selection committee may use their judgment if past suspensions should be taken into consideration.
3. The player will be notified when he/she reaches ten or more Junior Suspension Points. The player will have one week to submit a written appeal to the USTA NORTH CAROLINA office (Attention: Grievance Committee). After the appeal and if the suspension is deemed appropriate, the suspension from any USTA NORTH CAROLINA or USTA SOUTHERN sanctioned event will immediately be effective for a period of TWELVE weeks.
4. After a suspension, the first ten Suspension Points will be canceled.
5. NC Tournament Directors and the STA state office will be notified of the suspension.
6. Repercussions from a suspension will be the elimination of selection for any special programs sponsored by the USTA NORTH CAROLINA (such as Junior Davis/Federation Cup, USTA Player Development programs, USTA Area Training Center programs, etc) for up to one year after the suspension. The player will also not be selected to the Southern Junior Closed Championships if the suspension falls during that time period. A year-end ranking may also be withheld.

HIGH PERFORMANCE PROGRAM

The **HIGH PERFORMANCE PROGRAM** is designed to develop a junior's tennis skills all the way from a local junior program to training at the USTA Player Development Headquarters in Florida. The USTA trains coaches from NC to work with players who are invited to participate in the regional USTA North Carolina Competitive Training Centers (for 8-11 year olds). Scouts for each of the competitive training centers assist in selection of players. For more information, please contact the USTA North Carolina office at (336) 852-8577 or email to jane@nctennis.com.

SOUTHERN JUNIOR CUP

WHAT IS THE SOUTHERN JUNIOR CUP?

(Formerly the Bullfrog USTA Southern Section Junior Davis/Fed Cup Championships)

Each fall the USTA SOUTHERN SECTION hosts the Southern Junior Cup for boys and girls at one central location. Each USTA Southern Section state sends a team composed of 6 participants, 3 girls and 3 boys, for each age division, 14s, 16s, and 18s. Each state competes against the other 8 states with each age division playing 3 singles and 2 doubles, one of which is mixed. The total team score is kept to determine a sectional winner. The USTA NORTH CAROLINA sends its state team with at least two coaches. A 12 and under team competition is held at a different time and place from the 14s-18s. Each of the nine states in the Southern Section sends 3 boys and 3 girls. Teams are not made by state rankings, but by the waterfall rankings from the USTA Southern Section. Each state selects one coach to participate.

HOW CAN I GET ON THAT TEAM?

The Junior Selection Committee has the authority to invite players (both 12s and 14s-18s teams) that will best represent the USTA NORTH CAROLINA. Many factors, including attitude and sportsmanship, enter into the decision of the selection committee. Each player and parent or guardian will be required to sign a sportsmanship agreement. In order to be selected, the player must complete the form at www.nctennis.com & submit his/her interest to play by August 10, 2010. The committee will then primarily use the most recent update of the USTA NORTH CAROLINA Standings List to determine the best team available. The Junior Selection Committee retains the right to adjust if necessary.

North Carolina Points Tables					
TEAM EVENTS					
Description	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Position #1 Points/Win	60	50	40	20	10
Position #2 Points/Win	60	50	40	20	10
Position #3 Points/Win	60	50	40	20	10
Position #4 Points/Win	60	50	40	20	10
Position #5 Points/Win	60	50	40	20	10
Position #6 Points/Win	60	50	40	20	10
MAIN DRAW WITH FIC THRU OTRS					
Level Weight	1X	2X	3X	4X	10X
	Tournament Level				
Player Result	1	2	3	4	5
Champion	660	330	220	165	66
2nd Place	540	270	180	135	54
3rd Place	480	240	160	120	48
4th Place/SF 2	420	210	140	105	42
FIC Champion	390	195	130	98	39
FIC Finalist	360	180	120	90	36
FIC SF	330	165	110	83	33
FIC QF	300	150	100	75	30
FIC OF Qualifvine	270	135	90	68	27
FIC R16	240	120	80	60	24
FIC R16 Qualifying	210	105	70	53	21
FIC R32	180	90	60	45	18
FIC R32 Qualifying	150	75	50	38	15
FIC R64	120	60	40	30	12
FIC R64 Qualifying	90	45	30	23	9
FIC R128	60	30	20	15	6
FIC R128 Qualifying	0	0	0	0	0
MAIN DRAW WITH FIC THRU SEMIS					
Level Weight	1X	2X	3X	4X	10X
	Tournament Level				
Player Result	1	2	3	4	5
Champion	660	330	220	165	66
2nd Place	540	270	180	135	54
FIC Champion	480	240	160	120	48
FIC Finalist	420	210	140	105	42
FIC SF	360	180	120	90	36
FIC SF Qualifying	330	165	110	83	33

FIC QF	300	150	100	75	30
FIC QF Qualifying	270	135	90	68	27
FIC R16	240	120	80	60	24
FIC R16 Qualifying	210	105	70	53	21
FIC R32	180	90	60	45	18
FIC R32 Qualifying	150	75	50	38	15
FIC R64	120	60	40	30	12
FIC R64 Qualifying	90	45	30	23	9
FIC R128	60	30	20	15	6
FIC R128 Qualifying	0	0	0	0	0

MODIFIED CONSOLATIONS INCLUDING FMLC, AND COMPASS DRAWS*					
Level Weight	1X	2X	3X	4X	10X
	Tournament Level				
Player Result	1	2	3	4	5
Champion	660	330	220	165	66
2nd Place	540	270	180	135	54
3rd Place	480	240	160	120	48
4th Place/SF	420	210	140	105	42
Quarterfinalist	300	150	100	75	30
Reached R16	240	120	80	60	24
Reached R32	180	90	60	45	18
Reached R64	120	60	40	30	12
Reached R128	60	30	20	15	6
Reached R256	0	0	0	0	0
Points Earned for Each Consolation Round Won	60	30	20	15	6

* In Compass Draw events ONLY the East Draw earns main draw points; all other directions and "Gold Draw" earn consolation points.

ROUND ROBINS						
Description	Finish	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Champion	1	660	330	220	165	66
2nd Place	2	540	270	180	135	54
3rd Place	3	480	240	160	120	48
4th Place	4	420	210	140	105	42
5th - 8th Place	5-8	300	150	100	75	30
9th - 16th Place	9-16	240	120	80	60	24
17th - 32nd Place	17-32	180	90	60	45	18
33rd - 64th Place	33-64	120	60	40	30	12
65th - 128th Place	65-128	60	30	20	15	6
129th - 256th Place	129-256	0	0	0	0	0
Bonus Points - Reward for Significant Wins						
USTA North Carolina Ranking				Points Awarded		
Top 10						50
11-20						25
21-50						10
Examples:						
#5 defeats #1, #5 receives a 50 point bonus added to #5's points for the event.						
#1 defeats #24, #15 and #30 in the same event, #1 receives 10+25+10=45 bonus points added to #1's points for the event.						
#100 defeats #19 and #48 in the same event, #100 receives 25+10 bonus points added to #100's points for the event.						
Standing used to determine bonus points are based on Final Standings from the month prior. Final monthly standings are posted on or near the last day of the month.						

HEAD TAX

All tournaments sanctioned by the North Carolina Tennis Association are required to pay a Head Tax on each participant in the tournament. For junior tournaments there is a charge of \$1 for each singles player and \$1 for each doubles team.

RAIN POLICY

Tournaments that are canceled due to weather are to follow this rain policy:

Age divisions where play has begun - no refund.

Age divisions where there was no play at all - partial refund after deduction for actual expenses.

No tournament may be rescheduled without the approval of the Sanction & Schedule Committee.