

2025 Gallagher Nova Scotia Open - Fact Sheet

Presented By Eastlink

Tournament Link:	2025 Gallagher Nova Scotia Open Presented by Eastlink - The Waeg - August 22-30 Tennis Canada
TNS Membership:	<p>All participants must have a valid Tennis Nova Scotia membership in order to register for the tournament. You can get your TNS Membership by clicking here. *TNS membership is free for recreational, juniors, and wheelchair players.</p>
Entry Deadline:	<p>4pm, Tuesday August 12th Players will not be entered after this date/time. Having issues registering? Email Molly Pineau at mollypineau@tennisnovascotia.com well in advance of the deadline.</p>
Withdrawal Deadline:	<p>10am, Wednesday August 13th Players have until this date/time to withdraw for a full refund.</p>
Live Draw:	<p>1pm, Thursday August 14th A link will be provided to all participants the week of the event.</p>
Early Bird Discount:	<p>Players who enter by 4pm, <u>Tuesday August 5th</u>, will receive a \$5 discount on their entry fee.</p>
Dates and Groups:	<p>Group 1 Friday August 22nd - Saturday August 30th</p> <p>MWs Open MWd Open Xd Open</p> <p>Group 2 Friday August 22 - Tuesday August 26</p> <p>MWs 4.5, 3.5, 2.5 MWd 4.0, 3.0 Xd 4.0, 3.0 MWs 40, 50, 60, 70, 80 MWd 35, 45, 55, 65, 75 Xd 35, 45, 55, 65, 75</p>

	<p>125 Mixed Parent and Child (Orange Ball) Junior 3.5 Star (U9-U18)</p> <p>Group 3 Tuesday August 26 - Saturday August 30</p> <p>MWs 4.0, 3.0 MWd 4.5, 3.5, 2.5 Xd 4.5, 3.5, 2.5 MWs 35, 45, 55, 65, 75 MWd 40, 50, 60, 70, 80 Xd 40, 50, 60, 70, 80 100 Mixed Parent and Child Father and Son Mother and Daughter Wheelchair</p> <p>Group 4 Saturday August 23 - Sunday August 24</p> <p>Try Tennis Compete - Orange Ball Junior Beginner - Rogers First Set Tour - Rookie</p>
Entries:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Players can play up to 3 events total, but a maximum of 2 events in Group 2 or Group 3 • Players will play a maximum of two matches per day • All entries are subject to approval by the Tournament Committee.
Event Guide:	<p>If you are unsure which level you are for the level based categories, use one of the following measures: -World Tennis Number -Tennis Canada self-rating guide.</p> <p>Open (MS350 + WS200) Self Rating Guide: 5.0 + WTN: No Requirement Min. Age: 13</p> <p>Advanced (4.5) Self Rating Guide: 4.5 WTN Men: 22+</p>

	<p>WTN Women: 23+ Min. Age: 16</p> <p>Advanced (4.0) Self Rating Guide: 4.0 WTN Men: 24+ WTN Women: 26+ Min. Age: 16</p> <p>Intermediate (3.5) Self Rating Guide: 3.5 WTN Men: 26+ WTN Women: 28+ Min. Age: 16</p> <p>Intermediate (3.0) Self Rating Guide: 3.0 WTN Men: 28+ WTN Women: 30+ Min. Age: 16</p> <p>Recreational (2.5) Self Rating Guide: 2.5 WTN Men: 30+ WTN Women: 32+ Min. Age: 16</p> <p>Try Tennis Compete - Orange Ball (Up to 2.0) Self Rating Guide: Up to 2.0 WTN: Not Rated Min. Age: 16</p> <p>Adult Masters 35-80 (Masters Prov Tier 2) + Age Based Mixed Doubles: Players must meet the age requirement to enter these categories. Eg: Players must be at least 45 to enter any of the '45' categories.</p> <p>Junior 3.5 Star This category is suitable for any competitive juniors. Players who are brand new to tennis should enter the 'Junior Beginner' event.</p> <p>Note: Events may be merged or cancelled if there are less than 3 entries/teams in a given category.</p>
Playing Down Rule:	In order to maintain fairness in TNS sanctioned events, players are not permitted to play down in categories below their playing

	<p>level. For example, if a male player has a WTN of 24.3, they are permitted to play in 4.0, 4.5, 5.0, and Open categories only. They would not be permitted to enter 3.5, 3.0, and 2.5 categories.</p> <p>In doubles events, teams must play in the category applicable to the player with the stronger WTN as per the Men's Singles ranges. For example, a male (WTN 24.5) and a female (WTN 27) can enter mixed doubles 4.0, 4.5, 5.0, and Open categories using the stronger player's WTN on the MS range. They cannot enter 3.5, 3.0, and 2.5 categories.</p> <p>If a player does not have a reliable WTN, category selection will be at the discretion of the Tournament Director.</p>
Draw Sizes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All draws are limited to 32 entries (except for Open categories). • All entries received by the entry deadline will be considered based on merit, as determined by National Bank Rankings and the ITF World Tennis Number. Where certain entries cannot be distinguished based on ranking, players shall be accepted by drawing lots. • The Tournament Committee may cancel or combine events if there are insufficient entries or may limit the draw size depending on court availability.
Draw Type:	<p>Categories with three players/teams will play a round robin. Categories with four or more players/teams will play elimination (with consolation in singles). Categories with one or two players/teams may be merged with other categories at the discretion of the tournament organisers.</p>
Scheduling Exemptions:	<p>During the registration process, players can opt out of ONE up to 8 hours block of time during the tournament prior to 4pm (except Saturday August 30th). This must be done when registering for the tournament online. No other scheduling requests will be accepted.</p>
Host Club/Courts:	<p>Primary Venue: Waegwoltic Club</p>

	6549 Coburg Rd, Halifax NS B3H 2A6 Back-up indoor venue: Sobeys Atlantic Tennis Centre 50 Verdi Drive, Bedford NS, B4A 0C3
Player Party and Dinner:	The player party will take place on site at the Waegwoltic Club from 6pm on Saturday August 30th. Dinner will be served from 7pm on a first come first served basis.
Player Gift Bag:	Player gift bags will be available during certain time periods at the tournament desk. Exact time periods will be communicated closer to the event.
Entry Fees:	<p>All prices are per person, per event</p> <p>All registrations and payments must be made online before the entry deadline.</p> <p>\$5 -Junior 3.5 Star Doubles</p> <p>\$20 -Try Tennis Compete -Junior Beginner and U9 -Wheelchair -Parent Child</p> <p>\$35 -Adult Doubles -Junior 3.5 Star Singles</p> <p>\$60 -Adult Singles</p>
Prizemoney:	<p>A total prize purse of \$5000 will be offered for this tournament: \$2000 for Men's Open Singles, and \$2000 for Women's Open Singles.</p> <p>Prize Money Breakdown: Winner: \$1500 Runner Up: \$500 Losing Semifinalists: \$250</p>

Seeds:	In order to ensure fair play, TNS will accept and seed players based on World Tennis Number, Ultimate Tennis Rating, National Bank Rankings, Head to Head results, and Tournament Organizer discretion.
Match Formats:	<p>Open Singles Matches: Best of 3 tiebreaker sets.</p> <p>All Other Main Draw Singles and Doubles: Best of 3 sets, 10-point super tiebreak for 3rd set.</p> <p>Consolation Matches: 8-Game Pro-set, 7-point tiebreak at 7-all.</p> <p>In both singles and doubles matches, alternative match formats or scoring methods may be employed in place of the traditional match format listed above. The modified match formats or scoring methods may involve No-Ad Scoring, Short Sets, or some combination thereof.</p>
Consolation Matches:	All first match losers will be guaranteed at least one consolation match in all categories. There will be consolation doubles matches.
Consolation Opt Out:	Players who lose their first match and do not wish to compete in the consolation draw can choose to opt out. The player must inform the tournament desk verbally on site immediately after their first match of that category.
Official Ball:	ProPenn - 3 New Balls for Main Draw and Open Third Set, Good Used Balls for Consolation.
Racquet Stringing:	Will be available on-site.
Rules and Regulations:	The Tennis Canada ' Rules of the Court 2024 ' will be strictly enforced under the guidance of the Tournament Referee.
Failure to complete match/tournament:	In Nova Scotia, both juniors and adults can receive suspension points for a 'Failure to complete match/tournament' code violation.

Default Time Rule:	<p>Players are to report to the tournament desk immediately upon arrival. Once your match is called, please be prepared as the default time rule will be strictly enforced.</p> <p><i>Late by :01 to :05 minutes = 1 game forfeit, :06 to :10 minutes = 2 game forfeit, :11 to :15 minutes = 3 game forfeit, and a match default after :15 minutes.</i></p> <p>Suspension points will be applied to players who fail to appear for a scheduled match without notifying the tournament desk with a bonafide excuse.</p>
Pre & Post Match:	<p>Players must stick to a 5 minute warm up once they go on court. All match participants must report to the tournament desk immediately upon completion of the match to report the score and return the balls.</p>
Online Schedule:	<p>It is the players responsibility to check the online schedule to see their match schedule. Matches will be published as far in advance as possible, but could be amended up until 8pm the night before the following day's matches. Once the following day's schedule is locked in, an email will be sent out with the link.</p>
Communications:	<p>To receive important updates throughout the event please follow us on TNS social media (Facebook & Instagram).</p>
Tournament Director:	<p>Molly Pineau; mollypineau@tennisnovascotia.com</p>
Tournament Referee:	<p>Gareth Dowdell; garethdowdell@atlantictenniscentre.ca</p>