



ATLANTIC TENNIS ALLIANCE (ATA)

Indoor Playing Ops

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Indoor Junior Atlantics Qualifying:

Qualifying for the 2026 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 4th, 2026, 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 older (secondary) age group will qualify for both events. Playing both divisions at the Atlantics is discouraged unless you plan to attend both Nationals in the case of qualifying for both age groups. If a player in the top 8 is not using their spot, the next player in the rankings *regardless of which province they are from* will receive the spot until the 8 are filled. The maximum singles draw size will be 8 players.

Indoor Junior Atlantic Circuit Events:

The 2025-2026 Indoor ATA Circuit will consist of four 3.5 Star and four 4 Star events, concluding with the 5 Star Atlantic Junior Indoor 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 Star events are open to players outside of Atlantic Canada.

Players may play in 2 singles divisions if they wish. For all ATA 4 Star events and Indoor Atlantics, players may play in their current (primary) age division and may also play one age group higher if they wish.



2025/2026 Indoor Schedule of Events:

PLAYERS MAY PLAY IN THEIR 2025 or 2026 AGE GROUP(S) FOR ANY EVENT HELD UNTIL THE END OF 2025 AS THESE ARE FOR 2026 ATLANTICS QUALIFICATION.

2025:

- October 31 - November 2 Sobeys Atlantic Tennis Centre (Bedford) **3.5 Star** (Rookie Tour attached)
- November 21-23 NB - Abony Center (Fredericton) **3.5 Star (MAX OF 40 PLAYERS)**
- November 28-30 - NL (St. John's) **3.5 Star**
- December 12-14 PEI 3.5 Star (**COUGAR DOME, TRURO**) *Tennis PEI Event*
- December 27-29 - Headstart Tennis Centre (Halifax) **3.5 Star (Sat - Mon)**

2026:

- January 2-4 - NB, Abony Family Tennis Center (Fredericton) **4 Star**
- January 16-18 - NS Atlantic Tennis Centre (Bedford) **4 Star**
- January 23-25 - PEI (**COUGAR DOME TRURO**) **4 Star *Tennis PEI Event***
- January 30 - February 1 - NL (St John's) **4 Star**
- Qualification Top 8 Cut Off - Wednesday, February 4th
- February 19-22 - Junior Indoor Atlantic Championships **5 Star** (Abony Family Tennis Center, Fredericton NB)

Registration for the above events will be conducted through the respective Provincial Tennis Associations. General format, depending on participation numbers, will be standard draws with first round loss match consolation. However, small draws of 4 or less may use round robin format. Players may play in 2 singles divisions if they wish. For all ATA 4 Star events and Indoor Atlantics, players may play in their current (primary) age division and may also play one age group higher if they wish.

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 Star and 3.5 Star events, however this indoor season we will only have 4 Star 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
3 rd	50 / 30
4 th	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 Atlantic Championships for valid reason (e.g. conflicts with a Tennis Canada mandatory camp, significant injury with physician note, etc.). Wildcard applications must include supporting documentation and are reviewed on a case-by-case basis using objective criteria. A maximum of one (1) wildcard per age group per gender may be awarded to players with valid reason 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 (Pierre Gallant) at least 10 days in advance of the first day of the Atlantic Championship tournament. The awarding of a wildcard will require unanimous consent from the 4 Provincial Tennis Associations and will be communicated to players prior to the start of play of the Atlantics. In the event that a Wildcard is granted, the remaining two nationals spots will be awarded to the 2 main draw finalists of that particular age category. At that point, no Nationals spot will be awarded to the winner of the Consolation Draw.



Indoor Athletics:

The 2026 Indoor Junior Atlantics will be held in Fredericton, NB at the Abony Family Tennis Center from Thursday, February 19 to Sunday, February 22. The event will be a 4 day tournament with play to begin 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.

Indoor Athletics 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: Combined Boys and Girls unless numbers warrant 2 draws
- 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.

All doubles divisions will play one 8-Game Pro-set, with No-Ads (returner's choice) and a regular tiebreak to 7 (winning by a 2-point margin) played at 7-all in games. There are no consolation matches for doubles.

Seeding for Atlantics: Seeds will be determined by the National Bank Rankings. Under 10 seeding will be based on the Atlantic U10 Point schema. All draws will have 4 seeds, unless the category has a draw size smaller than 8 players.



Nationals Spots Allocations:

The top 3 placed players in each division U12 - U18 at the Atlantics will be offered a spot at the 2026 Indoor Junior Nationals.

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There are still vacant Junior Nationals spots available after being offered to the top 3 placed players at the Atlantics.	The 4 th place player would be the next in-line to be offered a vacant spot at the Junior Nationals.
There are still vacant Junior Nationals spots available after being offered to the top 4 placed players at the Atlantics.	The vacant spot would first be offered to the highest ranked player who finished in the 5 th /6 th position at Atlantics, then to the lower ranked player who finished in the 5 th /6 th position at Atlantics.
There are still vacant Junior Nationals spots available after being offered to the top 6 placed players at the Atlantics.	The vacant spot would first be offered to the highest ranked player who finished in the 7 th /8 th position at Atlantics, then to the lower ranked player who finished in the 7 th /8 th position at Atlantics.
There are still vacant Junior Nationals spots available after being offered to the top 8 placed players at the Atlantics.	Any remaining vacant spots will be offered in order based on the National Bank Rankings among players who finished 9 th through 12 th at Atlantics.

**Players must have participated in the Atlantics (National selection) in order to be considered for a National spot, unless a Wild Card has otherwise been granted.*