



PLAYER SELECTION INTO ALL FLIGHTED TOURNAMENTS (except Western States)

The southwest standings list used to make selections should be the most currently available (list should be published on the day selections will be made) and should include all tournaments which have taken place prior to the one for which selection is being made. This list should be published to the Internet simultaneously.

PLAYERS ARE ACCEPTED INTO THE DRAW IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

(A) Up to 3/4 of the total number of players in the draw shall be selected from the following groups (1), (2) and (3) (i.e. 24 players in a draw of 32, 18 players in a draw of 24, etc.):

(1) Up to two players from the Southwest Section MAY be accepted into ANY age group draw if the following conditions are met:

(a) The player's tournament schedule is primarily comprised of National level 1,2 and 3 and/or ITF tournaments AND

(b) The player is highly competitive at the National or World level as evidenced by a strong National or ITF Junior Ranking.

(2) Southwest Section players, from the most current southwest standings list for the division, in the order in which the names appear on the list.

(3) Out-of-Section players, in open tournaments, by decision of the seeding and selection committee.

(B) Up to 1/8 of the total number of players in the draw shall be selected from the top 10 of the most current southwest standings list for the next-younger division, in the order in which the names appear on the list (i.e. 4 players in a draw of 32, 3 players in a draw of 24, etc.).

(C) Up to 1/8 of the total number of players in the draw shall be selected from players who have aged into the division within the immediately preceding 6 months AND whose names appeared in the top 10 of the southwest standings list for the next-younger division, published in the month just prior to the player's birth month (i.e. 4 players in a draw of 32, 3 players in a draw of 24, etc.).

(D) Remaining players, from the most current southwest standings list for the division, in the order in which their names appear on the list.

(E) Remaining players, from the most current southwest standings list for the next-younger division, in the order in which their names appear on the list.

PLAYER SELECTION FOR SWEET 16

The southwest standings list used to make selections should be the most currently available (list should be published on the day selections will be made) and should include all tournaments which have taken place prior to the one for which selection is being made. This list should be published to the internet simultaneously.

PLAYERS ARE ACCEPTED INTO THE DRAW IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

(A) Up to 3/4 (12 players) of the total number of players in the draw shall be selected from the following groups:

(1) Up to two players from the Southwest Section MAY be accepted into ANY age group draw if the following conditions are met:

(a) The player's tournament schedule is primarily comprised of National level 1,2 and 3 and/or ITF tournaments.

(b) The player is highly competitive at the National or World level as evidenced by a top 100 standing on the most recently published national standings list for the division, a top 50 standing on the most recently published national standings list for the next-younger division or an ITF ranking.

(2) Players from the most current southwest standings list for the division, in the order in which the names appear on the list.

(B) Up to 1/8 (2 players) of the total number of players in the draw shall be selected from the top 5 of the most current southwest standings list for the next-younger division, in the order in which the names appear on the list.

(C) Up to 1/8 (2 players) of the total number of players in the draw shall be selected from players who have aged into the division within the immediately preceding 6 months AND whose names appear in the top 5 of the southwest standings list for the next-younger division, published in the month just prior to the player's birth month.

(D) Remaining players, from the most current southwest standings list for the division, in the order in which their names appear on the list.

(E) Remaining players, from the most current southwest standings list for the next-younger division, in the order in which their names appear on the list.

**SEEDING PROTOCOL FOR SOUTHWEST DESIGNATED TOURNAMENTS
AND SOUTHWEST TOURNAMENTS FOR WHICH NATIONAL POINTS ARE
AWARDED**

(1) List, in order, the top players in the division representing the number of available seeded positions from the most recent southwest standings list for the division.

(2) Identify players from the following groups for potential seeding consideration:

(a) Players who have aged into the division within the immediately preceding six months AND whose names appeared in the top 10 of the southwest standings list for the next-younger division, published in the month just prior to the player's birth month.

(b) Players who appear in the top 10 of the most recent southwest standings list for the next-younger division.

(c) Players who have been identified as having an outstanding national or ITF standings, including both Southwest Section and Out-of-Section players.

(3) Calculate "top 10 winning percentage" for all players identified in groups (2)(a) and (2)(b). "Top 10 winning percentage" shall be based on the most recent southwest standings list for the division and shall be calculated as follows:

Total number of wins over top 10 players, in the division, within the immediately preceding six-month period*

Total number of matches played against top 10 players, in the division, within the immediately preceding six month period (2 matches will be the minimum number used and will be assigned when the actual number of matches played is less than this)*

*NOTE: Only matches played against top ten players in the division are considered, however, these matches may have been played in any age division as long as they occurred within the immediately preceding 6 months.

(4) Players from groups (2)(a) and (2)(b) who have a "top 10 winning percentage" of 51% or better may be considered for seeding. The seeding and selection committee shall make the determination based on the available factual evidence, including, comparative strength of the "top 10 winning percentage", current records, and head to head encounters.

(5) If the seeding and selection committee determines that none of the players from groups (2)(a) and (2)(b) shall be seeded, than the seed order established in group (1) shall remain.

(6) If the seeding and selection committee determines that one or more players from groups (2)(a) and (2)(b) shall be seeded, than these players and the players in group (1) shall all be re-ordered. The new group shall be ordered by "top 10 winning percentage" up to the number of available seeded positions.

(7) In the event of equivalent "top 10 winning percentage", priority shall be as follows:

(a) Group (1) over groups (2)(a) and (2)(b).

(b) The natural age division standings over the next-younger age division standings.

(c) The established order within a particular division.

(8) Players in group (2)(c) may be inserted in any seeded position by decision of the seeding and selection committee. Player order prior to this step will remain the same if a shift occurs as a result of this step.