

Junior Interclub 2025/26Age Groups Explained

A player **must** play in their own age group, based on the age as at <u>30 April 2026</u>. For example

- If a player turns 13 years old on or before 30 April 2026, they cannot play in the 11 12 interclub competition this season.
- If a player turns 13 years old on 1 May, 2026 or after, they can play in the 11 12 interclub competition this season.

Exceptions

If you have three players at your club who qualify for an age group team and one player who just misses out because of their birthday, please ask us for dispensation. We would rather a player stays with their friends and carries on enjoying their tennis than move to a grade that is too strong for them. We also want to assist you in entering teams, not make it more difficult for you.

Clubs can enter combined teams with other clubs. Taking two players from one club and three players from another, and placing them in the right grade is a better solution than playing players out of their age or ability group.

Work together with other club's Junior Organisers, especially those at nearby clubs, to provide your players with the most enjoyable tennis experience.

Age Groups

There will be four age groups this coming season: 9-10 years, 11-12 years, 13-15 years and 16-18u Therefore to be eligible the following applies for the 2025/26 season:

Age Group	Date of Birth
9 – 10 years	Player must have been born
	between 1/5/2015 and 30/04/2017
11 – 12 years	Player must have been born
	between 01/05/2013 and 30/04/2015
13 – 15 years	Player must have been born
	between 01/05/2010 and 30/04/2013
16 – 18 years	Player must have been born
	between 01/05/2007 and 30/04/2010