



## Junior Interclub 2026/27 Age Groups Explained

A player **must** play in their own age group, based on the age as at **30 April 2027**. For example

- If a player turns 13 years old on or before 30 April 2027, they cannot play in the 11 - 12 interclub competition this season.
- If a player turns 13 years old on 1 May, 2027 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 2026/27 season:

Age Group	Date of Birth
9 – 10 years	Player <b>must</b> have been born between 1/5/2016 and 30/04/2018
11 – 12 years	Player <b>must</b> have been born between 01/05/2014 and 30/04/2016
13 – 15 years	Player <b>must</b> have been born between 01/05/2011 and 30/04/2014
16 – 18 years	Player <b>must</b> have been born between 01/05/2008 and 30/04/2011