

6. ROUND ROBIN DRAW FORMAT RULES

6.1 Players will be arranged into a number of groups to produce qualifiers for the final stage, which may be organised as a round robin or a knock-out format. Alternatively, an event may comprise solely of a single round robin main draw.

6.2 Each Player will play all the other Players in the group.

6.3 The final standings in each group will be determined as follows in order:

(a) Highest number of wins.

(b) If two Players are tied, the result in the match played between the two Players.

(c) If more than two Players are tied, the highest percentage of sets won out of sets played (if, after this calculation, only two Players remain tied, the result in the match played between the two Players will be used to break the tie).

(d) If more than two Players have the same percentage of sets won out of sets played, they will be placed according to the highest percentage of games won out of games played (if, after this calculation, only two Players remain tied, the result in the match played between the two Players will be used to break the tie); for Mini Tennis events using tie-break scoring, such Players may instead be placed according to the highest percentage of points won over points played (if, after this calculation, only two Players remain tied, the result in the match played between the two Players will be used to break the tie).

(e) If more than two Players also have the same percentage of games won out of games played, the positions will be drawn by lot; for Mini Tennis events using tie-break scoring, such Players may instead be placed according to the highest percentage of points won over points played (if, after this calculation, only two Players remain tied, the result in the match played between the two Players will be used to break the tie).

(f) For the purposes of the calculations in paragraphs (c), (d) and (e), above, when a match is played with a deciding match tiebreak instead of a final set, the tie-break will count as a set won or lost by one game to nil.

6.4 If a number of group runners-up from the initial stages are required, these places will be allocated as follows:

(a) Highest percentage of wins out of matches played.

(b) If two or more Players are tied, the highest percentage of sets won out of sets played. If any such Players have the same percentage of sets won out of sets played, they will be placed according to the highest percentage of games won out of games played. If any such Players also have the same percentage of games won out of games played, the positions will be decided by a play-off or drawn by lot.

6.5 Each set of a match won by default will be recorded as a 6-0 result (or 4-0 where short sets are being used). A Player winning due to retirement of an opponent will be awarded as many games as are required to achieve a result.

Explanatory note: For example, if a Player retires when winning 4-3 in the first set, his/ her opponent will win the match 6-4, 6-0.

6.6 A Player may play in a match subsequent to one from which he/she retired if he/she is fit to do so.

6.7 If a Player is unable to start a match in a group, all matches completed by that Player will be void for scoring purposes but will count for Ratings. Matches completed or started by a Player who, before completing his/her group matches, Withdraws or is disqualified from the event will be void for scoring purposes but will count for Ratings.