

**The Guide of  
The 4th World Junior Soft Tennis Championships  
(Jingshan, Hubei Province)**

**I Organization**

Host unit: International Soft Tennis Federation (ISTF)

Organizers: Tennis Administrative Centre of General Administration of Sport of China, Chinese Tennis Association

Co-organizers: Hubei Tennis Association, Jingshan People's Government

Executive units: Bureau of Culture and Tourism of Jingshan (Bureau of Sports), Jingshan Tennis Association

**II Period and Venue**

Period: Nov 1 – Nov 7, 2024

Venue: International Tennis Tournament Center in Jingshan, Hubei Province

**III Accommodation**

1. For players: Yufeng International Hotel (Te No. 1, Xinshi Avenue, Jingshan)

2. For officials: Jinshan International Hotel (No. 58, Xinshi Avenue, Jingshan)

3. Reservation email: [ISTF2024Junior@126.com](mailto:ISTF2024Junior@126.com)

4. Contact: Zhao Yifan, +86 176 8391 9735

**IV Competition**

## **1 Events**

(1) Individual Doubles & Singles for Men and Women under 15 (U15, players born after Jan 1, 2009)

(2) Individual Doubles & Singles for Men and Women under 18 (U18, players born after Jan 1, 2006)

(3) Individual Doubles & Singles for Men and Women under 21 (U21, players born after Jan 1, 2003)

(4) Team Events for Men and Women from under 15 to under 21 together.

## **2 Schedule**

**Nov 1 (Friday):** Check-in at the Yufeng International Hotel (designated vehicles provided), press conference (afternoon), opening ceremony (evening)

**Nov 2 (Saturday):** Joint meeting of chief umpires, team leaders and coaches, preparatory training for athletes, welcome banquet

**Nov 3 (Sunday):** Individual Doubles & Singles for Men and Women; soft tennis promotion in schools

**Nov 4 (Monday):** Individual Doubles & Singles for Men and Women

**Nov 5 (Tuesday):** Individual Singles for Men and Women; Team Events for Men and Women

**Nov 6 (Wednesday):** Team Events for Men and Women, award ceremony, youth players meeting of exchange

**Nov 7 (Thursday):** Departure and sight-seeing

### **3 Method of Competition**

Final decision for the method of competition shall depend on the total number of participants after finishing the entries.

(1) Doubles: Preliminary stage (best of 7 games) and final stage (best of 9 games)

(2) Singles: Best of 7 games

### **4 Rules and Regulations**

(1) Competition shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of soft tennis approved by ISTF.

(2) The official language shall be Chinese and English.

### **V Eligibility**

Participating players shall be those who have been approved by the respective national Association/Federation.

All ISTF member countries, national degree of players in each country, are invited.

### **VI Entry**

#### **1 Number of Participants**

The respective national Association/Federation shall send the entry to the 4th World Junior Soft Tennis Championships Organizing Committee. Normally, there will be 12 players (6 Men & 6 Women) for all events and 1 team leader, 2 coaches, total 15 people per country. In the case of the requirement for more than 16, the Committee approves on condition that the expenses for additional members will be borne by the respective delegation. The committee also accepts additional entries.

(1) Doubles: No limit for entry.

(2) Singles: No limit for entry.

(3) Team events: 3 to 6 players for each participating country or region. Each team event includes U15, U18 and U21 competitions, and each age group can attend by mixing. ① Players from Korea, Japan and Chinese Taipei shall participate according to the requirements of different age groups with a maximum of 2 players by each kind of event (U15, U18, U21). ② Other countries or regions can attend the three kinds of events according to the age requirements of U21. ③ The method of submitting order sheet will be noticed later.

## **2 Entry Period**

Entry is open between Sep 1- Sep 30, 2024.

## **3 Email Address and Contact**

The entry form shall be sent via email.

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Email: ISTF2024Junior@126.com

## **VII Expenses by Each Delegation:**

(1) China, Japan, Korea and Chinese Taipei: USD 75 per person per day (less than 15 people) (including accommodation, meals and local transportation); USD 120 per person per day (more than 16 people) (including accommodation, meals and local transportation).

(2) Delegations except from China, Japan, Korea and Chinese Taipei: The expense of delegations of less than 15 people

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is undertaken by the Committee, USD 75 per person per day (more than 16 people) (including accommodation, meals and local transportation).

(3) Expenses during the stay in China: ① Round-trip tickets of participants shall be borne by themselves; ② Local transportation, accommodation and meals during the competition shall follow the arrangement of the host; ③ If participants arrange hotel on their own, private charges shall be borne by themselves.

**VIII Etc.**

1. Referee and umpire: Referee and umpire will be invited by host country through negotiating with ISTF.

2. Ball: Kenko soft tennis balls.

3. Award: In each individual event, prizes shall be awarded to the first, second, and the third winner and certificates shall be given to all participants.

4. After WSTCOC is established, more specific details will be re-informed and there would be some changes.

Attachment: 1. PARTICIPANTS PHOTOS

2. PRELIMINARY ENTRY BY NUMBER

3. Final Entry by Name Form