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Tournament Organization • 21–31 October

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TOURNAMENT ORGANIZATION

Welcome

From 20 to 26 October, delegations will be welcomed upon arrival at the reception desk located in the Loustalot tennis hall, Allée Offenbach, Gradignan.

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Registration / Check-in Formalities

Participants in the national qualifying draw must report to the referee's desk with an identity document 30 minutes before their scheduled match, on 21, 22 or 23 October. Entry fee: €40.

Participants in the Tennis Europe draws must report to the referee's desk with an identity document and their PIN code to confirm their attendance: Friday 23 October before 6:00 p.m. for the international qualifying draw; Sunday 25 October before 6:00 p.m. for the main draw.

For the Tennis Europe draws, the entry fee is €90 for the international qualifying draw and €120 for the main draws.

A welcome pack will be given to each delegation, together with a badge for every official delegation member from the leagues and national federations. This badge will also be used to access meals at the clubhouse and as proof of accommodation.

Accommodation

Room reservations are available at partner hotels located within a 3 km radius of Tennis Club Gradignan.

Rooms will be reserved only for official French delegations that made their request during the week following publication of the Tennis Europe lists (week 41). Invoicing will be sent to their League or affiliated Committee.

Rooms will be reserved only for official foreign delegations listed on the Tennis Europe website ("View National Squad"), when the accompanying person has been officially appointed by their federation. The tournament committee will then take care of the invoicing.

Any room vacated after 12:00 noon will be charged.

On the day of departure, or for staggered player departures, it is mandatory to inform the staff responsible for reception and accommodation. A completed accommodation form must be handed in at the reception desk before departure.

Accommodation arrangements for individual players who have entered independently will not be handled by the tournament organization. Upon request, a list of hotels and meal prices at the TC Gradignan clubhouse may be provided. Under no circumstances will the tournament committee make these reservations.

Catering

Special arrangement this year: catering will be provided by a local caterer. Meal orders must be placed the day before, by lunchtime. If, for personal reasons, you do not wish to eat at the clubhouse, delegation managers must inform the Reception/Accommodation Desk. Any meal not cancelled will be charged to the delegation.

Individual participants will also be able to order meals through the Reception/Accommodation Desk. Payment will be made immediately and a meal ticket will be issued.

Lunch and dinner will be served at the Tennis Club Gradignan clubhouse restaurant from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

For players and coaches of official delegations, the personalized badges issued during check-in will be presented for each reserved meal.

Breakfasts will be served at the accommodation locations.

A snack bar will also be open in the Loustalot hall. It is independent of the restaurant, and all purchases must be paid for directly at the counter.

Transport

Upon request, shuttle services will be organized for delegations arriving at and departing from Bordeaux-Mérignac Airport.

If you arrive by train: when you arrive at Bordeaux Saint-Jean railway station, call 07 62 12 47 61 to inform the tournament reception desk of your arrival. Then, at the west exit of the station, take tram line C towards Villenave-Pyrénées. At the terminus, a minibus shuttle will pick you up.

For delegations that have not arranged their own transportation, shuttle services will be organized daily for journeys between the hotels, TC Gradignan, TC Villenave d'Ornon, Centre de la Ligue de Tennis Nouvelle Aquitaine and the other tournament locations. A schedule will be provided upon arrival.

Transport priority will always be given to competition and training venues.

Children travelling in the tournament vehicles must always be accompanied by two adults; the driver will refuse to allow children to board if they are not accompanied by another adult.

No transportation will be provided for journeys outside the tournament organization's designated area: airport, tram terminus, hotels, Nouvelle Aquitaine League site and TC Villenave d'Ornon.

Hotel shuttles operate every morning from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m., and in the evening after dinner. During the day, vehicles will be assigned to competition and training journeys, except in the event of an exceptional request approved by an organization manager for hotel transfers.

Competition Schedule

First matches will start at 9:00 a.m.; subsequent matches will follow.

21, 22 and 23 October: national qualifying draws, girls and boys. Referee: Philippe Beauté.

24 and 25 October: Tennis Europe qualifying draws, girls and boys. Referee: Hakim FATEH.

26–31 October: main draws, girls and boys. Referee: Hakim FATEH.

26–30 October: boys' and girls' doubles, 24 teams per category. Entries close Monday 28 October at noon. Referee: Hakim FATEH.

27–30 October: consolation draws, girls and boys. Referee: Hakim FATEH.

Training

Training courts must be reserved through the reception desk, from 6:00 p.m. for the following day, or at least 2 hours before the requested time slot. Two delegations may share the same training court.

Morning reservations for indoor training courts will be given priority to players whose matches are scheduled during the first two time slots of the day: TCG hall and League Centre: 7:20–7:50 a.m.; 7:50–8:20 a.m.; 8:20–8:50 a.m. • TC Villenave and Ligue NA hall: 7:50–8:20 a.m.; 8:20–8:50 a.m.

Courts used by teams for training must be left in proper condition. Players must sweep the court and brush the lines after each training session.

Medical

In accordance with Tennis Europe regulations for Category 1 tournaments, a doctor may be available on request, either at the tournament site or at their practice.

Physiotherapist Olivier Chauvin will be present at the tournament site from the afternoon of Sunday 27 October until 1 November, the end of the tournament.

Internet Connection

Tennis Club Gradignan provides Wi-Fi access at the clubhouse of the TCG Parc de l'Ermitage.

A Wi-Fi-connected computer and printer will be available at the reception desk of the Loustalot hall.

This connection complies with Article 6-I-2 of French Law No. 2004-575 on confidence in the digital economy (LCEN). Article 34-1 II provides for the retention of certain data for the purposes of investigating, establishing and prosecuting criminal offences, and solely, where necessary, for making information available to the judicial authority.

Activities

Sunday 25 October at 6:30 p.m.: draw ceremony in the Loustalot hall lounge area, followed by a cocktail reception offered by the tournament committee and the presentation of a welcome gift.

Monday 26 to Thursday 29 October: activities for children will be organized under the marquee and outside the Loustalot hall. They will be supervised by BAFAs and will include tournaments of baby-foot, table tennis, skill games and creative activities.

The trophy presentation will take place after the finals.

Saturday 31 October: a friendship reception will be held after the trophy presentation.