



2016 ITF Young Seniors World Team Championships

Italia Cup, Tony Trabert Cup, Dubler Cup,
Suzanne Lenglen Cup, Young Cup, Margaret Court Cup

Men's & Women's 35-45

1-6 May 2016
Umag, Croatia



Fact sheet as of 12 January

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The International Team Competition for Men and Women in the 35-45 years age groups.

Venues:

ATP Stadium Umag*

TC Umag*

TC Punta

Umag Tennis Academy (Katoro)

Umag Tennis Academy (Polynesia)

Cups will be allocated to venues at the entry deadline.

* Please note that ATP Stadium Umag and TC Umag are classed as one venue and some matches may be moved from one club to another if court space dictates it.

Dates: Sunday 1 May – Friday 6 May 2016

Please note that in the event of bad weather or other unforeseen circumstances, the ITF reserves the right to play on Saturday 7 May. Participating teams should take this into consideration when making travel arrangements in order to comply with Section II, Rule 16 of the ITF Seniors Regulations.

The competition will take place in accordance with the ITF Rules of Tennis and the ITF Seniors Regulations, which include the Regulations for the ITF Seniors World Team Championships and the ITF Seniors Code of Conduct.

The Competition will be played on a round robin basis, followed by knock out in the later stages where appropriate, to give a complete ranking of all teams. Each tie will consist of two singles and one doubles rubber. According to Section II, Rule 21 of the ITF Seniors Regulations, each team must consist of a minimum of two (2) players and a maximum of four (4) players, one of whom is designated captain. Alternatively, a non-playing captain can be nominated in addition. Players must have reached the appropriate age by 31 December 2016 and must have a valid Seniors IPIN.

The Change of Ends tie-break will be used during the 2016 ITF Young Seniors World Team Championships for every tie-break. As per Appendix IV of the ITF Rules of Tennis, "Change of Ends": "During a tie-break game, players shall change ends after the first point and thereafter after every four points".

Matches will be played over the best of three tiebreak sets. The seven point tiebreak will operate at six games all in all in each set.

A copy of the passport will have to be sent with the nomination form for those players who have not played in the Competition in the last four years.

A copy of the ITF Seniors Regulations will be available for all team captains at the Captains' Meeting, along with a finalised list of team entries and nominations. The event formats can be found on the ITF Seniors website.

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Entry deadline for National Team entries MONDAY 8 FEBRUARY

Deadline for nomination of players MONDAY 21 MARCH
According to Section II, rule 9 of the ITF Seniors Regulations, **all nominated players must be in possession of a valid Seniors IPIN**

Entry Fee US \$375 per participating team.

Please note that the entry fee must be paid by the National Association only, not by individual players. The National Association will receive an invoice shortly after the entry deadline. Entry fees of teams which subsequently withdraw from the event will not be refunded.

WITHDRAWALS

According to section II, regulation 16 of the ITF Seniors Regulations, any team that withdraws its entry later than 28 days prior to the scheduled first day of play in the Competition may have its entry refused for the following year's Competition and shall be liable for a fine of up to four times the amount of the entry fee. Any team that

- i) Is a no show
- ii) fails to play all its ties, including placement ties; or
- iii) is disqualified for an offence committed in the Competition

may have its entry refused for the following year's Competition and shall be fined. The fine shall be no greater than four times the amount of the entry fee.

COURTS	Surface	Red Clay
	Match Courts	48 at five venues
	Practice Courts	Practice courts will be available from Thursday 28 until Saturday 30 April. Booking will be made on site upon arrival. Practice courts during the event to be confirmed at the Captains' Meetings.

MAKE OF BALL	HEAD ATP
	Practice Balls Teams will be provided with practice balls each day from Thursday 28 April free of charge.

STRINGING	Stringing will be available on site for a fee of €13 (labour only). <i>Please note that payment will be accepted in Euros or Croatian Kuna - if paying in Croatian Kuna the exchange rate of 26 April will be used to calculate the fee.</i>
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ARRIVAL OF TEAMS	Earliest Date	Wednesday 27 April (for airport/rail transportation)
	Latest Date	Saturday 30 April (for airport/rail transportation)

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TRANSPORT

Air: Ronchi Legionari International Airport in Trieste, Italy is situated approximately 112km (69 miles) from the hotel complex in Umag.

Train: Koper train station in Koper, Slovenia is situated approximately 35 km (21.7 miles) from Umag.

All team members will be taken from Ronchi Legionari International Airport in Trieste or Koper Train Station **to the official hotels only** from Wednesday 27 April – Saturday 30 April, provided that Mr Igor Vasilic (World Championships Organizing Committee) receives the Player Arrival Form no later than Monday 4 April. There will be no transport from Zagreb.

Please note that there will be a charge for accompanying persons as follows:

- cost of a two-way ticket from Ronchi Legionari Airport in Trieste, Italy to one of the Umag hotels (and back to the airport) is € 50 per person.
- cost of a two-way ticket from Koper Station, Slovenia to one of the Umag hotels (and back to the station) is € 40 per person.

Accompanying persons will be required to pay on arrival. Please note that payment will be accepted in Euros or Croatian Kuna - if paying in Croatian Kuna the exchange rate of 26 April will be used to calculate the charge.

Please note that players arriving at Ronchi Legionari International Airport in Trieste, Italy will require a visa for the following countries: Italy, Slovenia and Croatia, as the transport route transits via Slovenia. Players arriving at Koper Train Station in Slovenia will require a visa for the following countries: Slovenia and Croatia. Please also read the visa requirements section on page 6 of this fact sheet.

Players should look out for the ITF Young Seniors World Team Championships welcome desk which will be displaying signage with the ITF logo.

In order to benefit from this service, please complete and return the **Arrival Form** to Mr Igor Vasilic (details given on form) by **Monday 4 April**. If required, teams will be returned to Ronchi Legionari International Airport in Trieste or Koper Train Station on Saturday 7 and Sunday 8 May, following the conclusion of the event. (Please see note on page 1 about the possibility of finishing the competition on Saturday 7 May).

Car Hire:

Discounted rental car rates (up to 20% discount) are available through Plavo More for ITF Young Seniors participants: Plavo More, Tourist Service, Trgovacka 3a, Umag, Croatia. Contact Person: Igor Vasilic (Phone: +385 52 752 740, Fax: +385 52 752 800, Mobile: +385 98 335 601, email: igor@plavo-more.hr, Website: www.plavo-more.hr)

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REGISTRATION

The registration desk at the ATP stadium in Umag (for all Cups) will be open on Wednesday 27 April 10am-6pm, Thursday 28 April from 10am-6pm, Friday 29 April from 9am-6pm, Saturday 30 April from 9am-6pm. **Captains must register their teams during this period, before the start of their respective Captains' Meeting.** Players must personally collect their accreditations from the welcome desk at the ATP Stadium. All accreditations will include a photograph, which will be taken onsite by the host organisers.

PROGRAMME

- Captains' Meeting:** Saturday 30 April at ATP Stadium Umag (for all Cups), exact times to be confirmed direct to captains.
According to section II, rule 34 of the ITF Seniors Regulations, should the captain of a team or the appointed delegate fail to attend the Captains' Meeting without having notified the ITF in advance, the team shall be fined half the amount of the entry fee.
- Draw:** Saturday 30 April immediately after the Captains' Meetings.
- Opening Ceremony:** Saturday 30 April at 5pm at the ATP Stadium in Umag. All players are requested to wear their official team clothing.
- Start of Play:** Sunday 1 May at 10am (tentative start time, to be confirmed by the ITF on site).
- Finals:** Friday 6 May – time to be confirmed by the ITF Representative on site. *(Please see note on page 1)*
- Prize Giving Ceremony:** Friday 6 May, immediately following completion of the finals. *(Please see note on page 1).*

SOCIAL EVENTS

Welcome Cocktail Party

On Saturday 30 April after the opening ceremony at the ATP Stadium in Umag for all Cups. Free of charge to all team members, and to accompanying persons staying in official accommodation.

Official Dinner

Tuesday 3 May at 8.00pm at the Four Star Hotel Sol Garden Istra. Free of charge for all team members, free of charge for accompanying persons staying in one of the official hotels. Accompanying persons will have to show proof of half-board hotel accommodation during the sign-in process in order to get a free pass for the official dinner. There will be a charge of 17 € for the dinner for accompanying persons that are not staying in official accommodation. **Please note that payment will have to be made in Croatian Kuna to the hotel on the evening of the dinner, using the exchange rate of that day.** Players must confirm the names of the

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accompanying guests who will be attending the official dinner when they pick up their accreditations at the ATP Stadium welcome desk.

ITF REPRESENTATIVES	Peter Nader, David Rawlinson, Ronnie van't Hof
TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR	Petar Miric
ITF STAFF	Helen McFetridge, TBC
ITF PHOTOGRAPHER	TBC

OFFICIALS

Referees	Vladimir Kaic, Dubravko Lipnjak, Peter Finn, Tom Kinloch
Chair Umpires	Chair umpires will be provided for the 1 st & 2 nd and 3 rd & 4 th place play-offs.
Linespersons	Linespersons will not be provided
Ballpersons	Ballpersons will not be provided

TROPHIES

Trophies will be presented to the winning teams, together with medals presented by the ITF. The losing finalists and third placed teams will also receive medals presented by the ITF.

The Captain of each winning team will have to take the trophy to his/her home country on behalf of his/her national association. The national association must then ensure that it is engraved and delivered in good time to the 2017 ITF Young Seniors World Team Championships.

DRESS ON COURT

Players and captains are strongly recommended to dress at all times on court in compliance with Team Identification principles. To comply a player and captain shall display the country's name on the back of his/her shirt or he/she shall dress in national colours. Team Identification shall be in accordance with the Official ITF Seniors Style Guide. Members of a doubles team shall be dressed in substantially the same colours.

MEDICAL & TRAVEL INSURANCE

According to Section II, Rule 27 of the ITF Seniors Regulations, players are responsible for checking with their local health authority regarding medical recommendations for travel to the country hosting the ITF Young Seniors World Team Championships.

Each national association is responsible for ensuring that all members of their team(s), and any accompanying officials in their delegation, are fully and adequately covered by insurance for the purposes of attending and participating in the ITF Young Seniors World Team Championships.

The ITF Ltd, the host association and the host site cannot accept any liability for any participant or visitor in this respect.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Please contact the ITF offices in London for any matter related to Health and Safety.

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VISA RECOMMENDATIONS

Please contact the Croatian, Italian and Slovenian embassies in your country to find out about visa requirements for entry into Croatia, Italy and Slovenia. Should you require an invitation letter to apply for visas, the Croatian Tennis Association will forward you an appropriate letter. To start the process please forward your request for an invitation letter to the CTA to Ms. Željka Pongracic at hts@hts.hr, (phone +385 1 48 30 747, fax: +385 1 48 30 720) as early as possible to avoid problems obtaining visas.

Neither the ITF nor the CTA can take any responsibility for the failure of any player to obtain a visa.

If you are flying into Trieste airport, you will require a visa for Italy, Slovenia and Croatia, as the transport route transits via those countries.

If you are arriving by train to Koper train station, you will require a visa for Slovenia and Croatia.

ACCOMMODATION

Please ensure that you book your accommodation by Thursday 31 March.

It is recommended that accommodation is booked at one of the official accommodation providers, Istraturist Umag d.d, Umag, Croatia.

Reservations: Istraturist Umag d.d., Tel: +385 52 700 700, E-mail: booking@istraturist.com. Please specify **tournament code SVP2016** and **tournament cup** when booking by phone or e-mail. The list of official accommodation can be found in the separate accommodation document.

Please note that free of charge transportation will only be provided to and from the official hotels.

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TEAM ARRIVAL FORM

TRANSPORTATION WILL BE PROVIDED FROM WEDNESDAY 26 – SATURDAY 30 APRIL TO COLLECT TEAMS AND ACCOMPANYING PERSONS ON ARRIVAL AT **RONCHI LEGIONARI TRIESTE AIRPORT, ITALY** or **KOPER TRAIN STATION, SLOVENIA**. NO TRANSPORT WILL BE PROVIDED FROM ZAGREB.

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM TO Mr Igor Vasilic BY **MONDAY 4 APRIL**.

THE TRANSPORTATION TEAM WILL EMAIL PLAYERS TO INFORM THEM OF THEIR PICK-UP TIMES FROM TRIESTE AIRPORT/KOPER TRAIN STATION ONCE A TEAM ARRIVAL FORM HAS BEEN RECEIVED BY MR VASILIC.

RETURN TO: Mr Igor Vasilic
FAX: +385 52 752 800
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TEL: +385 52 752 740
MOBILE: +385 98 335 601

**PLEASE DO NOT SEND THIS FORM TO THE ITF
LATEST DATE FOR ARRIVALS: Saturday 30 April**

COUNTRY.....

CUP EVENT.....

Tick box as appropriate

ARRIVING AT RONCHI LEGIONARI TRIESTE AIRPORT, ITALY

ARRIVING AT KOPER TRAIN STATION, SLOVENIA

NAME (Note: Please identify accompanying persons by initials "AP")	ARRIVAL DATE	ARRIVAL TIME	FLIGHT/TRAIN NUMBER	HOTEL

Name:

Signature:

Tel:

Email: