



## FACT SHEET

### ATF 12 & Under Team Competition 2024 – Supported by KTF

#### FINALS

Organiser	:	Kazakhstan Tennis Federation (KTF)
Sanctioned by	:	Asian Tennis Federation (ATF)
Qualified Nations	:	<b>Boys Event</b> West Asia: Syria and Saudi Arabia Central Asia: Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan South Asia: India and Pakistan South East Asia: Indonesia, Thailand and Vietnam East Asia: China, Chinese Taipei and Korea  <b>Girls Event</b> West Asia: Iran and Lebanon Central Asia: Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan South Asia: India and Sri Lanka South East Asia: Indonesia, Philippine and Thailand East Asia: China, Chinese Taipei and Korea
Date of Arrival	:	14 <sup>th</sup> September (Saturday)
Date of Practice	:	15 <sup>th</sup> September (Sunday)
Date of Competition	:	16 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> September (Monday – Saturday)
Date of Departure	:	22 <sup>nd</sup> September (Sunday)
Competition Site	:	National Training Center “Beeline Arena”, B Momyshuly Street, 20 D, Shymkent, Kazakhstan Tel: +770 7491 5555 Email: <a href="mailto:b.islamov@ktf.kz">b.islamov@ktf.kz</a>
Courts	:	8 clay courts (outdoor)
Tennis Balls	:	Dunlop Australian Open
Captains Meeting	:	The Captains’ Meeting shall be held on <b>Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> September</b> <b>by 16:00</b> (TBC by the ATF Representative) at the Venue. The Draw

shall be conducted during the Captains' meeting by the ATF Referee. The team nominations shall be finalized at the Captains' meeting and no changes to the teams will be allowed after the meeting. Also, the order of merit of players within each team shall be determined and finalized at the Captains' meeting and will be final for the week thereafter.

Event Format : The final stage of the competition, incorporating twelve (12) boys and twelve (12) girls' teams, shall be played on round robin followed by the knockout stage. The number and size of the round robin pools will be determined by the number of teams entered in the event.

Tie and Match Format : Each tie shall consist of 2 singles and one doubles match. The first singles match shall be played between the number 2 players of each nation. The second singles match shall be played between the number 1 players of each nation. Captains should give their team nominations for each day to the Referee 60 minutes prior to the start of play each day.

Singles matches will be the best of 3 tie break sets with No Let Rule in effect. Doubles matches will be played with No Let Rule and consist of 2 tie break sets and a 10-point match tie break at 1 set all. In doubles the No Ad rule shall be in place.

Hospitality : All teams will be provided with meals and accommodation commencing with dinner on the evening of the official arrival day and ending with breakfast on the official departure day. Triple rooms will be provided for players and twin sharing rooms for captains (of the same gender).

Transportation : Kindly email your flight information in advance (at least 72 hours before the arrival) to Mr. Bibarys Islamov at [b.islamov@ktf.kz](mailto:b.islamov@ktf.kz) copy to Sunil Gill at [sunil.gill@asiantennis.com](mailto:sunil.gill@asiantennis.com)

Ceremonies : All teams must be present for the Opening Ceremony on **Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> September by 09.00.** *(The time to be confirmed during the Captains' meeting the day before).*

**Teams are requested to bring a national flag of their respective country** for the Opening Ceremony. For all matches and ceremonies, players and Captains must wear attire adhering to their official Team ID colours with country names inscribed on the back of their shirts/tracksuits.

There shall also be an awarding ceremony at the end of the event. The teams which qualify for the Asia Oceania 12&U Team Competition should attend the ceremony. Other teams to attend the ceremony as per the requirement of organizers or the ATF Representative/ Referee.

- Player Eligibility : Each visiting nation will be invited to send up to 3 players and one captain in each of the Boys and Girls categories. Nominated players must be born between **1<sup>st</sup> January 2012 and 16<sup>th</sup> September 2014**. Further, they should have turned 10 years of age, and have reached their 10th birthday on or before the first day of the event until the end of the year in which the player turns 12 years of age.
- Captain Eligibility : In order to be eligible to represent a nation, a Captain must meet the following criteria:
- They must be a minimum of 24 years of age or turning 24 during 2024 regardless of nationality, but will be subject to the rules applying to team members and represent only one nation in the calendar year. All Captains must hold a valid ITF Player Support Identification number and a coaching qualification recognized by their National Association.
- Rules : The Competition will be conducted in accordance with International Tennis Federation (ITF) Rules.
- Code of Conduct : The International Tennis Federation (ITF) code of conduct of “ITF Junior Team Competitions” will be enforced. In entering the Competition, each player automatically grants the Kazakhstan Tennis Federation (KTF) and the Asian Tennis Federation (ATF) the right in perpetuity to make use of any images/videos/media taken during the Competition.
- Official Hotel : Tauke Khan Plaza  
Tauke Khan Street, 105.4, Shymkent.  
Room Reservation should be sent to Ms Dinara Bizatayaeva at [d.bizatayeva@ktf.kz](mailto:d.bizatayeva@ktf.kz) with copy to Mr Sunil Gill
- Room Rate : Single Room (1 Bed) – US\$ 50  
*for Non officials* Double Room (2 Beds) – US\$ 70  
with breakfast only

- Catering : Breakfast – served at the hotel  
Lunch – served at tennis venue  
Dinner – served at the hotel
- Asia/Oceania 12U Team Competition : **The top Three (3)** teams will qualify from the Finals to the Asia/Oceania 12U Team Competition – Supported by KTF which will be hosted in Hong Kong, China in month of October.
- The competition would feature 8 teams including the top three teams from the Finals of the "ATF 12&U Team Competition – Supported by KTF" held in Kazakhstan, alongside teams from Australia, New Zealand, and the Oceania Region (excluding AUS and NZL). One spot will be reserved for the host nation, and a Wild Card entry will be awarded by ATF.
- Visa Invitation Letters : **Please see the Annexure A in the end.** We request you to start process of visa as soon as possible and adhere to the deadline.
- All visitors are recommended to check the following link to understand the local visa requirements:  
[https://new.wpk.kz/kaz\\_entry\\_eng](https://new.wpk.kz/kaz_entry_eng)
- Travel Grant : ATF is offering a partial travel grant to the participating teams (except host nation). The national federation will receive the related communication separately.
- Tournament Director : Mr Bibarys Islamov  
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+77074915555
- Tournament Referee : Mr Dharaka Ellawala  
[dhara7@gmail.com](mailto:dhara7@gmail.com)
- ITF Representative : Mr Amir Borghei  
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- ATF Representative : Mr Puneet Gupta  
[puneet.gupta@asiantennis.com](mailto:puneet.gupta@asiantennis.com)
- Live Scoring and Streaming : There will be live scoring for all matches and live streaming on two courts, which can be seen on the ATF website.  
<https://www.asiantennis.com/live/>

Additional Feature

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## **Player Incentives**

### **Wild Card Entry to Grade A 14U Tournament:**

The best performing player (1 boy and 1 girl) of each region at the Finals of the “ATF 12&U Team Competition – Supported by KTF” will be awarded a main draw wild card entry to the ATF 14U Grade A tournament in their respective region in 2025.

Additionally, the second best player from each region at the Finals of the “ATF 12&U Team Competition – Supported by KTF” will be awarded a main draw wild card entry into any ATF 14U tournament, excluding Grade A events, for the year 2025.

### **Development Grants:**

A development grant will be awarded to the top three boys and girls of the Finals of ATF 12&U Team Competition – Supported by KTF.

- Top boy and top girl: USD 2,500 each
- 2nd best boy and girl: USD 1,500 each
- 3rd best boy and girl: USD 1,000 each

### **ATF 14&U Ranking Points:**

Players competing at the finals of ATF 12U Team Competition – Supported by KTF will be awarded ATF 14U points. The points will be calculated as follows:

- winner of BS/GS 1 – 300 points
- winner of BS/GS 2 – 200 points
- 30% of the above aggregate points will be added in the ATF 14U Rankings. No points will be given for the doubles matches.

## ANNEXURE - A

### Visa Requirements for Shymkent, Kazakhstan

1. KTF must have the list of the players, coaches and PST members with all the personal information not later than **Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> August 2024**. Those who don't send the information before deadline will not be able to travel to Kazakhstan.
2. KTF sends the list to the government and get their approval.
3. KTF prepares all the needed documents for the visa to the Migration Police and get their approval as soon as possible.
4. KTF sends all the approved documents to the NA (Visa invitation letter, letter of approval)
5. Visas are issued at the Kazakhstan consulate/embassy at the country of citizenship. Visas are issued within 5 working days.

#### List of the documents/information required for Visa Letter:

1. Full name
2. Passport number
3. Citizenship
4. Role on the tournament
5. Registered home address
6. Earliest possible arrival date
7. Latest possible departure date
8. Email and contact phone number
9. **SCAN COPY OF PASSPORT**

Please write to Ms Danara Bizatayeva at [d.bizatayeva@ktf.kz](mailto:d.bizatayeva@ktf.kz) for Visa assistance.

!!! Please note that it should be either scan or photo in a good quality with **NO** flash and **NO** fingers holding a passport of any other items. The passport provided by the visa recipient must meet the following criteria:

1. must not cause doubts about the authenticity and belonging of it's owner, contain marks, erasures and corrections, torn or embroidered pages;
2. must have at least 2 blank pages intended for visas;
3. It's validity period must expire no earlier than 3 months from the expiration date of the requested visa.