

# **MASTERS 30, 35, 40, 45, MASTERS 50, 55, 60 & MASTERS 65+**

## **Inter Provincial Teams Selection Criteria:**

For 2024 selection, Munster Tennis will continue to use top 4 results as the basis for all team selection. Selection Criteria will be reviewed annually, and The **Irish MASTERS Player Ranking System** will be utilised as appropriate. WTN Ratings will also be assessed to ensure the minimum standard of players.

The top 4 Munster male & female players in each applicable age category with appropriate Grade will be automatically selected for the Inter-provincial team.

Players at Masters (over 30, 35 & 40) must have a Grading of Premier or Grade 1 (WTN Band 2 or better).

Players at Masters (over 45) must have a Grading of 2 (WTN Band 3 or better.)

Players at Masters (over 50, 55) must have a Grading of 2 (WTN Band 3 or better.)

Players at Masters (over 60) must have a Grading of 3 (WTN Band 4 or better.)

Players at Masters (over 65+) need not achieve any particular Grade.

The Calendar in respect of the Selection process for all Teams begins after the Irish National Indoor Championships each calendar year. Teams are to be selected based on results of the previous twelve months.

**Points are only awarded to Players who are registered and have a valid Tennis Ireland PIN.**

Points will be awarded to players who play in a Straight Final. (*when only 2 players or 2 doubles teams enter an event*) The same will apply to Round Robins where a team or player pulls out before the event (*leaving just 2 players or 2 doubles teams in the Round Robin.*)

In all other instances, Points will only be awarded once a Player wins a Match.

To receive ranking points in a singles or doubles tournament, a player must reach a round where points are available. The number of points available varies depending upon the grading/level of the tournament and the round reached.

### **Masters (Over 30) Selection:**

Provided a player meets the minimum criteria mentioned above a player's best four results (Singles and/or Doubles) in the previous 12-month period in **Senior or Masters** tournaments sanctioned by Tennis Ireland and/or international tournaments sanctioned by the ITF are taken into consideration for the final team selections.

If a player is selected for the Munster Senior Team, this would normally ensure they would also be selected for the over 30's Munster Team.

**Note that Doubles Points are multiplied by 0.7 for the purposes of Team selections.**

**No other criteria will be considered for Team Selections.**

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**Masters (Over 35,40,45) Selection:**

Provided a player meets the minimum criteria mentioned above best four results (Singles and/or Doubles) in the previous 12-month period in Masters tournaments sanctioned by Tennis Ireland and/or international tournaments sanctioned by the ITF are taken into consideration for the final team selections. These results must be within ones' own age group. *(if playing doubles with player of lower age, these results will also be included)*

**Note that Doubles Points are multiplied by 0.7 for the purposes of Team selections.**  
**No other results will be considered for Team Selections.**

**Masters (Over 50,55, 60) Selection:**

Provided a player meets the minimum criteria mentioned above best four results (Singles and/or Doubles) in the previous 12-month period in Masters tournaments sanctioned by Tennis Ireland and/or international tournaments sanctioned by the ITF are taken into consideration for the final team selections. These results must be within ones' own age group. *(if playing doubles with player of lower age, these results will also be included)*

**Note that Doubles Points are multiplied by 0.7 for the purposes of Team selections.**  
**No other results will be considered for Team Selections.**

**Masters (Over 65,70,75 & 80) Selection:**

The best four results (Singles and/or Doubles and/or Mixed) in the previous 12-month period in Masters tournaments sanctioned by Tennis Ireland and/or international tournaments sanctioned by the ITF are taken into consideration for the final team selections. These results must be within ones' own age group. *(if playing doubles with player of lower age, these results will also be included)*

**Note that Doubles Points are multiplied by 0.7 for the purposes of Team selections.**  
**Note that Mixed Points are multiplied by 0.5 for the purposes of Team selections.**  
**No other results will be considered for Team Selections.**

**Should this fail to fill teams then participation in higher ranked events will also be considered as a criteria for selection.**

**At least 2 of a player's best four results must be within Ireland and a player should have competed in a Munster based competition within the calendar year. (Excludes over 30's only)**

If two or more players have equal points, players are ranked based on the ranking of tournaments where points have been won followed by the players next best result if there is still a tie.

All players moving to an older age category take their ranking points with them.

Walkovers count as a match won.  
Byes do not count as a match won.

If a tournament is abandoned, players will receive points for the round reached up to that point. Should any age category in a tournament be amalgamated with a lower age category event, and players in the higher age category are forced to play down, then those players shall be awarded points in his/her own age category.

Players should support Munster Masters events within the calendar year as much as possible.

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**ABOVE BASED ON ITF PROCEDURES**

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