

2017 GOIN' TO SOUTHERNS GUIDE

Parent, Player, and Coach Information Sheet

June 9-12, 2017 (10s) • June 10-17, 2017 (12s) • June 10-17, 2017 (14s, 16s, 18s)

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!

HOW DO I ENTER THE SOUTHERN JUNIOR CLOSED CHAMPIONSHIPS?

- ❖ Go to <http://tennislink.usta.com/tournaments/Schedule/Search.aspx> and enter the Tournament ID (on the following page) for the age division you plan to play in at Belton (Palmetto Championship). **You may only be selected to play in the Southern Closed Age group in which you play the Palmetto Championship, unless you receive a waiver, and you may only enter one age group in singles and doubles in the Palmetto Championship.**
- ❖ Go through the tournament registration process online. This is for singles only. For doubles entry check the tournament homepage for registration instructions. Contact information for tournament directors is located on the following page.
- ❖ You may only enter online with the above process. **SUNDAY, JUNE 4th at 11:59 PM** is the deadline to register.
- ❖ Your credit card will not be charged until you have been selected to the tournament.

How will the selections be done?

- **10's (11 per age group each gender):** Any player who finishes in the top 8 of the Palmetto will be endorsed within our quota. The remaining players listed within our quota will be determined by the 3 with the highest South Carolina standing at the completion of play on Monday, May 29, 2017.
- **12's (15 per age group each gender):** Any player who finishes in the top 8 of the Palmetto will be endorsed within our quota. The remaining 7 players listed within our quota will be determined by the highest Southern standing at the completion of play on Tuesday, May 30, 2017, including any waived players.
- **14's-18's (15 per age group each gender):** Any player who finishes in the top 8 of the Palmetto will be endorsed within our quota. The remaining 5 players listed within our quota will be determined by the 7 with the highest Southern standing at the completion of play on Tuesday, May 30, 2017, including any waived players.

How will you find out if you are selected?

The Endorsement Lists will be posted on www.sctennis.com by midnight, Thursday, June 1, 2017. All applicants should check the individual tournament site for selections/alternates after noon on Monday, June 5, 2017.

What if I am not included within the above quota spots?

The remaining players outside of the quota will be placed on the endorsement list based on their Southern standing at the completion of play. All players who have played in the Palmetto, or have been granted waivers, will be included on the endorsement list in their age division. If a player who is within the SC quota does not enter the Southern Closed, the next player on the endorsement list will be selected within the SC quota.

What if you are listed as an alternate?

Once you have been chosen as alternate, you could be selected to the tournament if someone from the SC quota list is unable to go and notifies the tournament **before the draw is made**. Once the draw is made, Southern will order the alternates and ask alternates to fill in the draw based on that list as selected players are unable to come and notify the tournament. It is your responsibility to check. All applicants should check the individual tournament site for selections/alternates after noon, Monday, June 5, 2017.

What if you are listed as an alternate for BG 14-18's?

Once you have been chosen as an alternate from SC, you are then put into the Southern list with the alternates from the other eight Southern states. USTA South Carolina is **not responsible** for which alternates are chosen to enter the main draw of the Southern Closed. To find out if you have been selected to play in the main draw of the Southern Closed, you may check on the appropriate Southern Junior Closed website (listed on following page). It is the players' responsibility to check—no one will call or email you. There are spots for alternates in each Southern Closed draw, and they are taken in before the draw has been made. After the draw has been made, the remaining alternates may continue to be moved up if there are players who withdraw prior to start of play. So if you are an alternate, keep watching your Southern Closed Tournament website.

Please Note: Players are expected to complete all matches (including consolation and playoff) in the Palmetto Championship. Without a justifiable excuse for injury, illness or family emergency **players will not be endorsed to the Southern Closed Championships**. Making the quarterfinals of the main draw does not guarantee a "Top 8" finish or endorsement to the Southern Closed Championships. Finishing in the "Top 12" will help, but not guarantee endorsement.

2017 Southern Closed Championships

Tournament Information: Please see each website for a [Southern Medical Release Form](#). The form may be downloaded at each tournament website and submitted to the TD prior to playing in the event. Tournament Hotel information is listed on each individual tournament's website.

Birth Certificates: In order to participate in the Palmetto Championships, a copy of your birth certificate must be on file at Southern. You can [click here](#) to see if it is already on file with USTA Southern. If it is not, please send a copy ASAP to Patrick Yackmack. (yackmack@sctennis.com or fax 803-753-9255).

[Boys & Girls 10 Southern Closed-EAST- Tournament ID # - 704102517](#)

Cayce Tennis & Fitness Center, Cayce, SC

Director: Jorge Andrew

Org Phone: (803) 227-3030

Director E-mail: ctfc@lcrac.com

SOUTH CAROLINA 10'S COACH: TBD

[Boys and Girls 12 and Under Southern Junior Closed- Tournament ID # -703929017](#)

Cary Tennis Park-Cary, NC

Director: Reid Kinlaw

Org Phone: (919) 462-2061

Director E-mail: reid.kinlaw@townofcary.com

SOUTH CAROLINA 12'S COACH: TBD

[Boys and Girls 14 and Under Southern Junior Closed- Tournament ID # - 703410817](#)

Macon Tennis Association, Inc. - Macon, GA

Director: Donna Bailey

Org Phone: (478) 477-1957

Director E-mail: maconten@bellsouth.net

SOUTH CAROLINA 14'S COACH: TBD

[Boys and Girls 16 and Under Southern Junior Closed- Tournament ID #-700014517](#)

Match Point, Inc. - Little Rock, AR

Director: John F. Meincke

Org Phone: (501) 247-9792

Director E-mail: chipstearns@hotmail.com

SOUTH CAROLINA 16'S COACH: TBD

[Boys and Girls 18 and Under Southern Junior Closed- Tournament ID #-700005817](#)

Mobile Area Tennis Association - Mobile, Alabama

Director: Lorraine Novak

Org Phone: (251) 610-0483

Director E-mail: tennismobile@gmail.com

SOUTH CAROLINA 18'S COACH: TBD

If you have any endorsement questions, please contact South Carolina State Office 803.781.2574.

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