

## Herefordshire & Worcestershire County Training September 2019 – July 2020

As you may already be aware there are some changes happening during the course of 2019-2020.

There will be a new system used by the LTA for ratings called the World Tennis Number. (WTN) Details have been sent out to all players & coaches and the new system will be up and running sometime during 2020 (date to be confirmed) Details can be found using the following link [LTA WTN](#)

During 2020 the new age groups will also start. The winter season will remain as it is now and the new system, which will work on year of birth, will begin from April 1<sup>st</sup> for the summer season.

For this autumn term we will be selecting for County Training based on preparing for Corby (winter season) and County Cups (summer 2020). There is also a new 11U County Cup age group event so we will be looking at that in our planning as well.

For now the selection will be based on the following criteria

### **Selection Policy 12U – 18U**

The top 5 ranked players for each age group, girls and boys, will have automatic selection for the training group. The ranking list date for the final selection for the different terms will be published in advance. For the Autumn Term training groups the date will be **Friday 23 August 2019**

3 further places will be awarded taking into consideration, ranking, rating, tournament play and coach recommendation.

Any player being invited and accepting a place will also need to:

- Have county training session as an additional session to their weekly club session
- Having some technical coaching.
- Be playing minimum grade 4 competition

### **Selection Policy 9U & 10U**

- Consideration will be given to the highest rated players
- Have county training session as an additional session to their weekly club session
- Having some technical coaching
- Players should be competing at minimum level 4 for 10U and minimum level 5 for 9U

### **Selection Policy 8U**

- Have county training session as an additional session to their weekly club session
- Having some technical coaching
- Playing competition which ideally includes some external competition

We will be expecting all players who take a County Training place to make themselves available for selection for the various county events including taking part in the County Championships. The dates of these will be sent out when they are confirmed.

All selections for County Training will be led by Chris Skinner our County Head Coach. All county training coaches and county cup captains will be a part of the discussions and any players' individual coach may be contacted by the group where it is felt this may be needed.