# **SOUTHERN CLOSED IN 2018**

#### HOW TO ENTER THE SOUTHERN JUNIOR CLOSED

- Registration is now open for all the Southern Closed sites.
- Remember, you must play the Mississippi Junior Qualifier in the age division in which you wish to enter the Southern Closed. You may only play singles in one age division you wish to compete at the Southern Closed. Doubles must be played in the same division that you play Singles.
- Select the age appropriate tournament for you and enter online. The deadline for entering is June 3, 2018 at 11:59PM.
- Boys & Girls 10's June 9-12 West- Tournament-Green # 700004618 Baton Rouge, LA 70809-Ronnie Walters-Director-225-397-5248
   http://tennislink.usta.com/tournaments/TournamentHome/Tournament.aspx?T=205775
- Boys & Girls 12's June 9-16–Tournament #703929018-Cary Tennis Park- Cary, NC. Reid Kinlaw-Director, 919-462-2061
  http://tennislink.usta.com/tournaments/TournamentHome/Tournament.aspx?T=205480
- Boys & Girls 14's June 9-16- Tournament #703410818 John Drew Smith Tennis Center, Macon, GA. Adam Dalton-Director, 478-954-6556
  http://tennislink.usta.com/tournaments/TournamentHome/Tournament.aspx?T=205790
- Boys & Girls 16's June 9-16 Tournament #700014518 Rebsamen Tennis Center, Little Rock, AR, John Meincke-Director, 501-247-9792
  <a href="http://tennislink.usta.com/tournaments/TournamentHome/Tournament.aspx?T=206493">http://tennislink.usta.com/tournaments/TournamentHome/Tournament.aspx?T=206493</a>
- Boys & Girls 18's June 9-16 Tournament #700005818 Mobile Tennis Center, Mobile, AL. Loraine Novak-Director, 251-610-0483
   <a href="http://tennislink.usta.com/tournaments/TournamentHome/Tournament.aspx?T=202645">http://tennislink.usta.com/tournaments/TournamentHome/Tournament.aspx?T=202645</a>

### REMEMBER: DEADLINE FOR ENTERING SOUTHERN CLOSED IS JUNE 3. 2017-

- Use the above links to enter **singles** online. Check the tournament homepage for directions on entering doubles. Enter even if you think you might not make the event. In the past many players on the alternate list get into the tournament. **You will not be charged if you don't get in.**
- The entrants have increased in the 12-18 age groups to 192 with 99% of all players getting in the Southern Closed last year you need to enter if you think you will go. All Mississippi Players that played the Mississippi Junior Qualifier will be endorsed to play in the Southern Closed. You must enter in order to be considered to play the Southern Closed in your age group.
- <u>DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE DEADLINE TO ENTER.</u> Your credit card will not be charged until you are not selected. Therefore, you should register early so you will not let the deadline slip by you.

## Answers to Frequently asked questions

#### How are selections made?

The following finishers in the Qualifier will automatically be selected:

Boys & Girls 10's (32 compass draw): the 4 semifinalists in the championship (main) draw

& the 2 finalist in consolations- MS quota = 11

Boys & Girls 12's (192 draw): the 4 semifinalists in the championship (main) draw

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Boys & Girls 14-18 (192 draw): the 4 semifinalists in the championship (main) draw & the

2 finalist in consolations – MS quota =11

Selection of the remaining players for Mississippi's quota will be based on Southern standings following the last day of the Qualifier.

# What if I am unable to play in the Qualifier?

Waivers will be considered for medical reasons, family crisis or unavoidable circumstances.

Players who fall in this category will be placed at the bottom of the Mississippi alternate list.

## How will I know if I have been selected?

The selection lists will be posted on <a href="www.mstennis.com">www.mstennis.com</a> by Director of Player Development as soon as the order of selection has been made.

All applicants should check the individual tournament site for selections. Because the entry has been increased you will have

A great shot at getting in as last year more than 11 got in because of the increased draw size.

# What if I am an alternate in the 10's-18?

All players that played in the Mississippi Qualifier are eligible to be alternates. Players need to enter the

Southern Closed on time in order to have the opportunity to get in.

All applicants should check the individual tournament site for selections.

Remember it is your responsibility to check the website. No one will call or email you.

After the quotas are filled by the states there spots in the draws to be filled.

So, if you are an alternate, keep watching your appropriate Southern website.