

Manual for Handling the Swiss Olympic Database

Elite Sports

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Manual for Handling the Swiss Olympic Database 2025 onwards

Brief Description

Swiss Olympic provides strong financial support for junior elite sports, but under specific conditions. The following outlines the requirements and processes for triggering subsidies. Swiss Olympic and/or Swiss Tennis reserve the right to amend these conditions.

General Information

- Coaches recognized by Swiss Tennis and approved by Swiss Olympic trigger corresponding financial support from Swiss Olympic based on their workload with Talent Card holders.
- 80% of the released funds are paid directly by Swiss Tennis to eligible players or their parents to support training sessions with approved coaches.
- 20% of the released funds are paid directly by Swiss Tennis to eligible coaches for "off-court activities" with Talent Card holders.

Requirements for Subsidies

Players:

- ✓ Holder of a Swiss Olympic Talent Card (Regional or National)
- ✓ Attend at least three weekly training sessions with coaches who meet the following criteria
- ✓ In "good standing" with Swiss Tennis and compliant with Swiss Olympic's Code of Ethics
- ✓ In "good standing" with coaches and compliant with training and tournament regulations (see right of veto)

Coaches:

- ✓ Swiss Olympic High-Performance Sports Coach certification (Swiss Tennis Coach A or higher). Coaches who have completed the professional examination by the end of May 2026 will still be considered. In subsequent years, the training status of trainers as of 1 January of the respective year will apply.
- ✓ Official member of the Swiss Olympic/Swiss Tennis governance structure within the Swiss Tennis Coaching Network.
- ✓ Coaches can be newly admitted annually, with a deadline of mid-October each year.

Player Support Process¹

- Eligible coaches are contacted annually by Swiss Tennis in September to report their subsidy-eligible players.
- Swiss Tennis recalculates the subsidy amount each year among all eligible players.
- The total player subsidy is distributed among all eligible players.
- A National Talent Card triggers a higher payout than a Regional Talent Card (2:1 ratio).
- Respective coaches are informed of planned payouts and may request a veto for reevaluation from Swiss Tennis (see player subsidy requirements). The final decision rests with Swiss Tennis.
- Swiss Tennis contacts the parents of subsidy-eligible players for swift processing.
- Billing between eligible coaches and Swiss Tennis is handled automatically.

¹ In regions with official performance center training, these subsidy funds may—in exceptional cases—be used directly to finance performance center training. The decision lies with Swiss Tennis.

Payout Process

- Funds for coaches and players are disbursed by Swiss Tennis no later than the end of the respective year.

Approval Process

- This document has been reviewed and approved by Swiss Olympic.
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