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To: All Regional/ National Associations

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Re: 12 & Under Age Eligibility rule

Dear All

At their last meeting in November the ITF Board of Directors agreed to amend the 12 & Under Age Eligibility rule as submitted by the ITF Juniors Competitions Committee. The approved amendment to the above rule was unanimously supported by both the ITF Coaches and the ITF Sport and Science Medicine Commissions.

In 2009 according to the new amended rule “players may not participate in any 12 and under international individual tournaments sanctioned by a Regional Association and/or a National Association unless they have reached their tenth (10) birthday before the start of the main draw”.

The amended 12 and Under Age Eligibility rule was introduced mainly to avoid very young junior players playing international tournaments both inside and outside their home nation at an early stage of their development.

I remain at your disposal for any further information you may require.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Luca Santilli', is written in a cursive style.

Luca Santilli  
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