



DURHAM & CLEVELAND TENNIS

Selection Criteria for All Junior Age Groups of

Durham and Cleveland LTA Players:

One of the following criteria must be met to be eligible to play for Durham & Cleveland County:-

- a) born or permanent residence at date of birth in the County*
- b) place of permanent residence is or and has been within the County* for at least 6 months immediately preceding the match or competition,
- c) at any time place of permanent residence has for a period of five consecutive years been in the County*.

*County area is: County Durham, Tees Valley Combined Authority, Sunderland, Gateshead, South Tyneside

County Training Sessions	County Teams
Performance at 2019-2020 County training sessions	Performance at County training camps
Performance in County matches	Performance in County matches
Performance at Durham and Cleveland Closed	Performance at Durham and Cleveland Closed
Rating/Ranking – singles & doubles	Rating/Ranking – singles & doubles
	Competitive profile compared to peers in the 6 months prior to the Junior County Cup
Individual Club Programme using County Programme as an addition to the Club Programme	



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Guidelines for Long Term Athletic Development

County Level Players should be looking to have a minimum programme of this

U8's 4-6 Hours Tennis (40 Matches Singles and Doubles per Year)

U9's 6-8 Hours Tennis (50 Matches Singles and Doubles per Year)

U10's 7-9 Hours Tennis (50 Matches Singles and Doubles per Year)


U12's 8-10 Hours Tennis (60-150 Matches Singles and Doubles Per Year)


U14's 9-11 Hours Tennis (70-150 Matches Singles and Doubles Per Year)

Please note:


(i) Players can be selected for more than one age group.

(ii) Performance at all County training sessions and County matches is important. When captains select players for the Junior County Cup, Areas of Consideration will be:

 **Head:** Consistently makes good decisions, finds solutions (and ways to win), and retains focus in match situations.

 **Heart:** Competes well at all times in both training and competitive situations.

 **Athlete:** Demonstrates good levels of fitness and physical resilience.

 **Weapons:** Has emerging strengths that can be developed into a game style that has the potential for success in the future.

(iii) If a player decides **not** to accept a place at County training or fails to attend regularly than it should be understood that this is likely to impact on their selection for the Junior County Cup team.

(iv) Selection Committee (Matthew Jackman, John Schofield) and Age Group Captain will have the option of one discretionary "pick", which means they can select a player for the County Cup team who might not be one of the top ranked players. The selection will still have to be justified to the Junior Performance Committee using the set criteria a 3-4 weeks before County Cups. Matt Jackman is welcome to discussions about any selection/non selection

(v) There is an expectation that all players chosen for County training intend to play in tournaments throughout the year.

(vi) Performance at the Durham and Cleveland County Closed

(vii) A long-term injury or illness will always be taken into consideration if it causes a player to miss a number of training camps.