## Ljubljana PlayOut Tennis Open 2024

## REGULATIONS

Please read the information on this page before registering.
The Ljubljana PlayOut Open 2024 is a GLTA sanctioned event and as such, it abides by the rules of the Gay \& Lesbian Tennis Alliance (GLTA) and the International Tennis Federation (ITF).

By participating in the Ljubljana PlayOut Open 2024, players agree to the tournament rules. In the event a situation arises which does not pertain to any of these rules, the PlayOut Tennis organizing team will decide how best to resolve the situation.

## REGISTRATION

Registration opens on 1 January 2024, and closes on 15 April 2024 or until all spots are filled, whichever happens first.

Your registration is only accepted when your payment is received. Players shall do the payment within maximum two weeks after registering in order to secure their spot in the tournament's events. Players who do not pay in time will be placed on the waiting list.

If you have any questions related to your entry, please contact us at tennisplayout@gmail.com.

## ENTRY FEES

Entry Fees:
150 EUR for two events (one singles and one doubles);
120 EUR for one event (either singles only or doubles only)
Both options include players' dinner party, welcome drink \& gift bag

Additional costs:
40 EUR for guest's dinner \& welcome drinks.

## PAYMENT OPTIONS

You can pay in any of the following ways:

## Bank transfers

Bank Name:
Bank Address: Zagreb, Trg bana Josipa Jelacica 10
SWIFT/BIC:
Name of Account Holder:
Account Number (IBAN):
ZABAHR2X
Kris Lazar

Payment Details: Your name + GLTA-ID

Please do not forget to write your name and GLTA ID number on the bank transfer so we can crossreference your payment and registration. Any bank fees that might result from the transfer need to be covered by the players themselves.

## PayPal payment

Paypal account: tennisplayout@gmail.com
*Use the "Friends \& Family" transfer option to avoid paying handling fees. Any incurring PayPal handling fees will be charged on-site.

## REFUNDS

Full refund will be granted to players who withdraw before the announced withdrawal deadline of 15 April 2024. No refunds will be issued after that date.

## EVENTS \& MATCH FORMAT

We are pleased to offer all-gender Open, A, B C and D Singles and Doubles events.

## Main draw

All main draw matches will be the best of 3 sets with a regular tie-break at 6-6 in the first 2 sets, and the 3rd set taking the form of a 10-point match-tiebreak.

Under regular circumstances we will apply the elimination system. However, if there are not sufficient entries in one event, we may switch to a round robin system.

## Consolation

Consolation will be open to all players who lost their first match in the singles competition. A bye does not count as a first match. If time does not permit, consolation could be cancelled. However, there are no consolation matches for the round robin events.

All consolation matches will be played as eight game pro-sets with a regular tie-break at 8-8.

## TOURNAMENT RULES

Players are required to:

- report to the tournament desk 30 minutes prior to each match;
- warm up for not more than five (5) minutes;
- report the match results to the tournament desk after the match.

Late arrivals will incur a penalty in accordance with the GLTA rules. Therefore, it is your responsibility to arrange transportation, get directions if necessary, and allow yourself sufficient time to get to the venue.

Between matches, a 30-minute break is allowed after a main draw singles match and a 15-minute break after a doubles match.

Organizers and volunteers are present to check balls, warm-up times, rest periods and to be of general assistance.

## COURTS \& BALLS

All matches will be played on red clay tennis courts and with appropriate clay court tennis balls.
All main draw singles matches will be played with a set of new tennis balls. Doubles and consolation matches may be played with used balls.

After each match, balls must be returned to the tournament desk.

## DO'S \& DONT'S

Always enter the courts through the appropriate facility entrance and wearing suitable tennis attire (including clay court tennis shoes).

Avoid disturbing other matches.
Players shall not engage in un-sportsmanship conduct or disturb other players.
Do not enlist the aid of spectators in making line calls.
Wait until players on another courts have completed a point before retrieving or returning a ball.

## UNFORESEEN DELAYS \& FORCE MAJEUR

In case of an unforeseen delay (including heavy rain), the tournament organization may opt for one or more of the following:

- Main draw matches will be played either as an 8-game pro-set or as a Fast4 event;
- Cancellation of consolation matches;

The tournament organization decides which option will be played. This will be announced prior to the match/matches concerned. Any decision will be final and it is expected that players abide by these decisions.

## WAIVER OF LIABILITY

By participating at the Ljubljana PlayOut Open 2024 and related activities and events, participants agree to waive any and all rights and claims for bodily or emotional injury, injury to their reputation, or any other damage or harms that they might suffer, or any other claims of any nature they or their legal representatives may have against the Ljubljana PlayOut Open 2024 tennis tournament or PlayOut Tennis organization, GLTA and its representatives, tournament sites, tournament sponsors, or any organization, facility or individual associated with this tournament and the related activities and events. They also release and waive any and all rights to claim damages or remuneration which may arise as a result of references to photographs, images or likenesses of them, which may appear in any publication or other media coverage.

