# Junior Tournament Level Explanation

Effective 1/1/18

The MAS tournaments pathway begins with short duration tournaments, short match formats and low entry fees, and logically and incrementally progresses to longer competitions, longer match formats and corresponding reasonable increases in maximum recommended entry fees.

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| L8 Xpress/L8 Bash  
(50 Participation Points)  
Recommended for entry level players playing first tournament | $35  
USTA Membership *not* Required | 1/2 Day  
(Example: BG16s play Sat. 12 to 4pm)  
No sanctioning limitations. | Timed Matches, SuperSets, Short-Sets, No-Ad Scoring, Fast4 | Non-Elimination Draws:  
Round-Robin & Compass  
3-Match Guarantee  
(Draws may be split into 2 Draws) |

| L7  
(165 Points)  
Recommended for entry level players with some competition experience | $45  
USTA Membership *not* Required | 1-Day  
(Example: BG18,14 play Sat. | BG 12,16 play Sun.)  
Sanctioning Guideline: 20 mile no-competition radius recommended. | Up to 4 Matches Per Day:  
Best 2 of 3 Sets, Tiebreak in lieu of a 3rd Set or 2 of 3 short sets, tiebreak in lieu of 3rd set, 8 game pro-set, SuperSet matches to 6, Fast4 OR Timed Matches  
Up to 5 Matches Per Day:  
SuperSets, Fast4, Timed matches | Outdoor Season (mid-March thru October): Non-Elimination Recommended. 2-Match Guarantee Required (FIC, Compass, Round Robin) |

Indoor Season (November thru mid-March): 2-Match Guarantee Recommended. (FIC, Compass, FMLC)  
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<td>L6</td>
<td>220 Points</td>
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<td>$55</td>
<td>2-Day</td>
<td>2 Sets with a match tiebreak in lieu of a 3rd set; Indoor: Timed Matches Allowed</td>
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<td>L5</td>
<td>400 Points</td>
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<td>$60</td>
<td>Up to 2-Day</td>
<td>2 ShortSets* with a match tiebreak in lieu of a 3rd set. *ShortSets begin at a score of 2 games all (2-2).</td>
<td>Voluntary FMLC 1-Round Backdraw - All FIC losers choose to opt-in or opt-out of the backdraw; a backdraw is created using only the players that opt-in, and backdraw play ends once all backdraw players have participated in 1 consolation match.</td>
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<td>L4 &amp; L4+</td>
<td>660 Points</td>
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<td>$75</td>
<td>3-Day</td>
<td>Singles: Best 2 of 3 sets; Doubles: 8-Game Pro-set</td>
<td>Per Section Regulations: L4 = Section Points Only; L4+ = Section &amp; National Points</td>
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<td>L3</td>
<td>700 Points</td>
<td>$75 (Jan)</td>
<td>$85 (June)</td>
<td>3-Day+</td>
<td>Singles: Best 2 of 3 sets; Doubles = 8-game pro-set and/or 2/3 sets</td>
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*ENTRY FEES MAY VARY BASED ON SURFACE, SEASON, AMMENITIES, AND SITE AS APPROVED BY USTA MID- ATLANTIC.