

2026 COURTS OPERATIONS INTERNSHIP

Description: Your internship will be a summer tour de force working for one of the largest and

most prestigious professional tennis tournaments in the world, the Cincinnati Open. You will work closely with the Cincinnati Open Operations team, acting as

the on-court liaison between Chair Umpires/Players/Tour Staff and the

Facilities Office. Responsible for handling all on court issues and ensuring that each individual court is stocked and prepared in accordance with tournament

guidelines.

Location: Lindner Family Tennis Center

5460 Courseview Dr., Mason, OH 45040

Dates: Early June 2026 – August 24, 2026

End date can be extended depending on intern availability.

Qualifications

- Strong organizational and time management skills
- Strong oral and written communication skills
- Strong attention to detail and ability to multi-task in a fast-paced environment
- Lift a minimum of 50 lbs.
- Possess a valid and legal driver's license
- Operate motor vehicles (training provided).
- Spend long periods of time on your feet
- Attend OSHA training provided by the Cincinnati Open.
- Interest in sports and live events industry
- Willingness to do whatever it takes to run the absolute best tournament possible

Responsibilities

Pre-Tournament

- Assist in preparing the facility through various projects
- Learn procedures and protocols in the following areas:
 - Net assembly
 - ATP/WTA guidelines
 - Microphone operation
 - Recognition of specific players
 - Court layouts
 - Sponsor requirements
 - Court washing and drying
 - Anticipating player needs
 - Inventory management
 - Participate in group projects as directed by Management.
 - Assist volunteers in preparing their areas for the tournaments
 - Other duties as assigned

Tournament Duties:

- Knowledgably work as part of the following teams
 - Court runner
 - Net change team
 - Court monitor
 - Practice Court Attendant
 - Prepare courts for matches each day.
- Stock courts with supplies for players, umpires, camera crews and other personnel
- Quickly solve any on-court problems at the discretion of the chair umpire.
- Communicate with Court Operations Team to update scores, request product needs, and provide general match progression
- Act as first responder to any issues that may arise on court
- Ensure that all on court sponsor material is appropriately placed
- Monitor on court security and notify marshals of any potential threats
- Communicate and work with chair umpire on each court
- Contribute to the changing of nets and on-court signage procedures
- Lead court drying procedure in the event of rain
- Support coworkers in the cleaning of match courts each night.
- Photograph assigned areas for documentation purposes
- Other duties as assigned.

General Hours

<u>Prior to July 28</u>: Hours are generally 8am – 4pm, Monday – Friday, with occasional nights and weekends depending on special events or projects. <u>July 28 - August 24</u>: Hours will vary depending upon the day and responsibilities of the position. Overtime hours should be expected the weeks prior to and are required during the Cincinnati Open (August 11-24, 2026). Overtime hours will be determined by your supervisor.

Compensation:

Hourly plus OT