

RULES AND REGULATIONS

Format

1. A league match consists of four (4) men's doubles events for all groups.
2. The team captains will simultaneously exchange their line-up of players a few minutes before play commences. No substitutes should be allowed after the lineups have been exchanged except with the approval of the opposing team captain.
3. An event shall be decided by the best out of three sets, with a 12-point tiebreaker at 6 games all. Home Team can elect to play a 10 point Super Tie Breaker in lieu of a third set which shall be determined before play commences. Super breakers are scored on the web site as 1 game.
4. Each event won counts as one point to the team present for each event.
5. A defaulting club forfeits one point to the team present for each event.
6. League matches start between 6:15 -8:00 p.m. A team not ready to play within 15 minutes of the scheduled starting time will be defaulted.
7. If 2 teams are tied at the end of the season in points, the winner will be determined by the statistics posted on the web site. If there is still a tie, the head to head record will be used. Team captains shall report the results no later than the day following the match.
8. In the event a match is rained out, the Points will be split 2-2 and scored 6-0, 6-0 for each team. In case of a match being postponed for reasons that are agreeable by both captains If the visiting team cannot meet the set date, it is defaulted and the home team wins.
9. The winner of each section has the option of advancing one section higher. If this option is taken, the last place team will drop one section.
10. A maximum of 2 teams from any club can play in the same section.
11. A section will consist of a maximum of 12 teams.
12. A team that does not have 4 courts available must call the visiting team captain 24 hours before the start of the match to arrange the order of play.
13. Players must wear regulation tennis attire and abide by the host club's rules.

Eligibility

1. Every club must be affiliated with the Ontario Tennis Association.
2. A player must be a member or affiliated with his club or a professional employed by that club.
Professionals are allowed to play in the A1 and A2 divisions only.
Professionals shall be defined as persons who teach tennis on a full-time basis year-round or during the summer.
4. There shall be no limit to the number of professionals who can play on a team in the A1 division.
5. The number of professionals allowed to play in the A2 Division shall be limited to a maximum of 2 per team per night.
6. Each team captain is expected to play his team in order of skill.
7. No player shall take part in more than one event in any match.
8. A player who has played a match for any team in a Division cannot move to play for a lower Divisional Team. ie: A1 Players cannot play down.
Players in lower divisions can play up twice during a season after that they

are members of the Team they have been playing up for and cannot move down.

9. No player can play for more than one club in any season.
10. No player having played a match can be transferred to another team in the same group unless approved by the Convener

PLAYOFFS

1. The Playoff format will be:

The top Four teams in Divisions with 8 or less teams and the top Six in divisions with 10 or more teams will play off the week after regular play has finished. One against Four (1vs4) and Two against Three (2vs3) in 4 team format and top two teams have a bye and 3vs 6 and 4 vs 5. In the event that there is rain on a playoff day or Final and indoor facilities are not available then play will be on the same day as play during the regular season though on the next following week. If It rains that night then play is the following day.

2. Players eligible for playoffs must have played at least Two matches in 8 or less divisions and Three (3) matches for divisions with 10 plus teams for their home team.
3. All matches will be two out of three sets and Home Teams have the right to implement a 10 point Super Tie Breaker in lieu of third set to be agreed prior to start of the matches.;
4. If teams are tied in sets and games then the tie is broken by the last team on court will remain on court and play a super tie breaker.