



ILLAWARRA SUBURBS LAWN TENNIS ASSOCIATION – **JUNIOR BRANCH**  
**St George and Sutherland Shire Junior Tennis Competitions**

**SATURDAY MORNING TENNIS:**

**WINTER 2023 COMPETITION – Digital Version Available Only – Updated 1/5/2023**

WELCOME and thank you for playing in our junior competition. We hope you enjoy playing in the competition. Please read it before the competition starts so that you are familiar with our Rules and procedures. The book provides all the information you need about district tournaments, events and points of contact for Junior Tennis in the area. Note: this Rule Book is also available on our website [isltajuniorbranchtennis.com](http://isltajuniorbranchtennis.com). Please add our website and also Facebook ([facebook.com/isltajuniorbranch](https://facebook.com/isltajuniorbranch)) page to your **Favourites**. We look forward to seeing you on court (having fun)!

**UTR:** All Premier, and A and B Grade players **must be UTR-registered**. Register at Universal Tennis: [universaltennis.com](http://universaltennis.com).

**PARENTAL SUPERVISION:** The Saturday Morning Junior Tennis Competition is played on various courts throughout the St George and Sutherland Shire areas and not all courts have managers present during play. It is an unsupervised competition; please ensure that a parent or guardian remains with the players at the court at all times.

**SPIRIT OF PLAY:** Have fun and play within the spirit of the game. Spectators must **not** coach or make comments to any players on the court whilst the match is in play. **Only** umpires (or players if there is no umpire) are to make line calls and call the score. Players, parents, team managers, spectators and coaches are to accept the umpire's call and show respect at all times – see Rules 4 and 22.

**TIMINGS:** Warm-up must be completed in time for play to commence by 8.05am or 10.05am respectively. No more than three (3) minutes is allowed between the end of one set and the beginning of play in next set. A five (5) minute warm-up is **ONLY** allowed before each player's **FIRST SET** of the day – see Rule 15.

**WET WEATHER:** In the event of wet weather please call the court telephone number listed in this Rule Book to ascertain if court is playable (on safety grounds.) If court is likely to be playable or it's uncertain, players must proceed to the court where a decision will be made up to 30 minutes after the scheduled start time. If there is no play, the **home** team must advise the Results Recorder. Both teams may also advise who would have played. Points will be evenly split between the two (2) teams – see Rules 9, 16 and 27.

**RESULT SHEETS:** **Both teams** must email the correctly completed and legible Result Sheet to (**note the correct email address**) [isltajbcomp@gmail.com](mailto:isltajbcomp@gmail.com) by **7pm** on the day of play, ensuring that all of the following details are correctly completed:

- Date
- Team names
- Each player's name and surname – see Rule 9
- Correctly completed score and winning team name
- Whether new balls were supplied
- Both captain's signatures
- *Good sportsmanship nomination – optional*

Please note: results must be received by 7pm on the day of play. One warning **only** will be issued for late results, after which, for every incidence of late submission, penalties will apply, including but not limited to, a draw being recorded and the points shared between the two (2) teams.

**Summer Competition 2023/2024 Details TBC**

Premier Grade Summer Competition 2023/24 - **expressions of interest** are now being accepted via email.

Please send your details to: [isltapremier@gmail.com](mailto:isltapremier@gmail.com).

Team entries for ALL other grades being played at both 8am and 10am: TBC.

Player's Name:  
Team Name:

Grade:

**WEBSITE:** [www.isltajuniorbranchtennis.com](http://www.isltajuniorbranchtennis.com)

**FACEBOOK:** [facebook.com/isltajuniorbranch](https://facebook.com/isltajuniorbranch) for updates and key information

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## **JOIN THE JUNIOR BRANCH COMMITTEE**

**The Junior Branch Committee is made up of a small group of volunteer parents. We would value any additional support from other parents who would like to join the Committee in order to provide fun and challenging competitions for our junior players.**



### **ILLAWARRA SUBURBS LAWN TENNIS ASSOCIATION JUNIOR BRANCH NEEDS ACTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND WE WANT YOU!**

Come along to a meeting, become a member of ISLTA Junior Branch's Tennis Committee and have a say in how best to run your child's tennis competition.

The Committee meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday night of each month.

Your views are important and we'd love to hear your ideas!

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## INTERDISTRICT TENNIS 2023

The St George and Sutherland Shire area (ISLTA) fields a team of nearly 100 players from good standard to elite, from 10 years of age to veterans' teams, as a representative tennis squad against other Sydney districts in Term 3 each year. This tournament is played on a Sunday.

**Trial dates for 2023: TBA**

[Illawarra Tennis Centre at Rockdale](#)

**Tournament dates: 23 and 30 July and 6, 13, 20 and 27 August. No play on 3 September (Father's Day)**

**Semi Finals: 10 September | Finals: 17 September**

Trial date: Sunday 28 May 2023

10s and 12s: 1pm - 3pm | 14s and 16s: 3pm - 5pm

Registration forms must be submitted to Tracy Charas by Saturday 27 May

Players must be available to play on all dates

Visit the **Representative Tennis** section on our website [isltajuniorbranchtennis.com](http://isltajuniorbranchtennis.com) for more information. Details will also be posted on the **ISLTA JB – Junior Tennis in the St George and Sutherland Shire Areas** Facebook page: [facebook.com/isltajuniorbranch](https://facebook.com/isltajuniorbranch).

Contact Tracy Charas for more information.

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### 2023 CHALLENGE CUP: SUNDAY 19 NOVEMBER (TBC)

A great introduction to representative tennis, this is a fun one-day event held usually held in late November and this year it's being held on Sunday 20 November. This is a team event and is for players who have **not** played in the Interdistrict team. This is an annual match played against Southern Districts (Campbelltown). The location for 2022 is the [Illawarra Tennis Centre at Rockdale](#).

**To be eligible, players must participate in an ISLTA Junior Branch competition.**

The Challenge Cup in **not** open to Interdistrict players.

For further information, contact Grahame: [presidentisltajb@gmail.com](mailto:presidentisltajb@gmail.com) or 0423 487 584.



## WINTER 2023 COMPETITION COURT LOCATIONS AND CONTACT DETAILS

**UPDATED: 1/5/2023**

<b>CHAMPIONS (Team 1 - 5) 50R Cremona Road, Como T: 0405 747 782</b>	
1. (Crt 1) John Olney 0417 692 156	2. (Crt 1) Mel Rigg 0420 687 872
3. (Crt 1) Lyn Matthews 0431 486 173	4. (Crt 1) Beck Ali 0487 000 030
5. (Crt 2) Kim Entwhistle 0452 587 702	
<b>EVOLUTION (Teams 1 – 4) Ken Rosewall Tennis Centre, Roberts Road, Peakhurst T: 0415 83 559</b>	
1. (Crt 7) Dennis Bindon 0417 421 072	2. (Crt 7) Carol Song 0422 166 488
3. (Crt 8) Kim Price 0405 327 086	4. (Crt 8) Jeanette Van Poppel 0414 187 487
<b>EVOLUTION (Teams 5 – 8) 22 Dudley Street, Penshurst T: 0415 83 559</b>	
5. Catherine Tai 0401 698 148	6. Ken Low 0410 626 712
7. Joanna Chan 0411 621 408	8. Aileen Kwong 0404 470 328
<b>SEYMOUR (Teams 1 – 2) Parkside Avenue, Miranda T: refer to team contact</b>	
1.(Crt 8) Michelle DiCesare 0418 110 614	2. (Crt 6) Nick Tcaciuc 0411 298 275
<b>SHTA (Teams 1 – 3) Forbes Creek Reserve, Engadine T: 0410 443 906</b>	
1. (Crt 1) Shaun Hibbert 0410 443 906	2. (Crt 1) Shaun Hibbert 0410 443 906
3. (Crt 2) Shaun Hibbert 0410 443 906	
<b>VELOX (Team 1) Parkside Avenue, Miranda T: refer to team contact</b>	
1. (Crt 8) Cecilia Marix-Evans 0427 544 213	
<b>VELOX (Team 2) Waratah Park Reserve Tennis Courts, Sutherland T: refer to team contact</b>	
2. (Crt 1) Brijesh Pathak 0404 396 941	
<b>VELOX (Teams 3 – 5) The Grand Parade, Sutherland T: refer to team contact</b>	
3. (Crt 1) Ava Roberts 0405 167 852	4. (Crt 2) Lisa Sinnis 0421 192 669
5. (Crt 2) Ryan Hanrahan 0423 343 037	
<b>WOODWARD (Teams 1 – 3) 31 Halstead Street, South Hurstville T: 0412 127 068</b>	
1. Kim Casey 0413 995 324	2. Elizabeth Gurungtamang 0478 301 655
3. Ben Chan 0433 299 496	

## PREMIER GRADE

The highest grade of the Saturday Morning Junior Competition, known as Premier Grade, is run as a UTR event at one venue (currently hosted at the Ken Rosewall Centre, Roberts Road, Peakhurst).

Premier Grade Summer Competition 2023/24 - **expressions of interest are now being accepted via email**. Please send your details to: [isltapremier@gmail.com](mailto:isltapremier@gmail.com). Invited players will need to apply by completing an application form by the due date. All players must attend trials.

Teams are made up of five (5) players, with four (4) playing each week. Total duration per player per round is two (2) to three (3) hours. Each player plays one singles match ([two] 2 sets and a super tiebreak) and one (1) doubles match (one [1] set).

For more information visit our website ([isltajuniorbranchtennis.com](http://isltajuniorbranchtennis.com)) or make contact with the Premier Grade

### Winter 2022 Premier Grade Winners



### Winter 2022 Premier Grade Runners-up





## WINTER 2023 COMPETITION –

**DRAW FOR A1, A2, A3 and B1 ONLY. SEE SEPARATE DRAW FOR B2**

First-mentioned team is the **home** team and must supply three new balls, **Score Sheet** and **Result Sheet**. Games are played at the home team's courts. Team details, draw, key and court locations can be found on: [isltajuniorbranchtennis.com/court-locations-and-draw](http://isltajuniorbranchtennis.com/court-locations-and-draw).

**\*\*Please pay special attention to home venue as some teams play on different courts\*\***

ROUND	MATCH DATE	KEY TO COMPETITION		
1	29/04/2023	1 v 2	3 v 4	5 v 6
2	06/05/2023	4 v 1	2 v 5	6 v 3
3	13/05/2023	1 v 6	5 v 3	4 v 2
4	20/05/2023	2 v 6	3 v 1	5 v 4
5	27/05/2023	1 v 5	3 v 2	6 v 4
<b>Opportunity to change seeding after round 1 – after 28/05/2023 and before 03/06/2023</b>				
6	03/06/2023	2 v 1	4 v 3	6 v 5
<b>KING'S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY WEEKEND: NO PLAY 10/06/2023</b>				
7	17/06/2023	1 v 4	5 v 2	3 v 6
8	24/06/2023	6 v 1	3 v 5	2 v 4
<b>SCHOOL HOLIDAY BREAK TILL 22/07/2023</b>				
9	22/07/2023	1 v 3	4 v 5	6 v 2
10	29/07/2023	5 v 1	2 v 3	4 v 6
<b>Opportunity to change seeding after round 2 – after 29/07/2023 and before 05/08/2023</b>				
11	05/08/2023	1 v 2	3 v 4	5 v 6
Premier Grade (by invitation only) application details TBA				
12	12/08/2023	4 v 1	2 v 5	6 v 3
13	19/08/2023	1 v 6	5 v 3	4 v 2
14	26/08/2023	2 v 6	3 v 1	5 v 4
<b>Entries start for all grades A1 down on the 19/08/2023</b>				
15	02/09/2023	1 v 5	3 v 2	6 v 4
Semis	09/09/2023	In the event of rain on semi-finals or finals day refer to rule 30.		
Finals	16/09/2023			

A1 Play: 10am to 12pm		A2 Play: 10am to 12pm		A3 Play: 10am to 12pm		B1: Play 8am to 10am	
1	Woodward 1	1	Seymour 1	1	SHTA 2	1	Evolution 8
2	SHTA 1	2	Woodward 2	2	Seymour 2	2	Woodward 3
3	Evolution 1	3	Evolution 3	3	Velox 1	3	Champions 4
4	Evolution 4	4	Evolution 2	4	Velox 2	4	Champions 3
5	Bye	5	Champions 1	5	Evolution 6	5	Velox 3
6	Evolution 5	6	Bye	6	Champions 2	6	SHTA 3



## WINTER 2023 COMPETITION **B2 GRADE ONLY** – 4 TEAM DRAW

First-mentioned team is the **home** team and must supply three new balls, **Score Sheet** and **Result Sheet**.

Games are played at the home team's courts. Team details, draw, key and court locations can be found on [istajuniorbranchtennis.com/court-locations-and-draw](http://istajuniorbranchtennis.com/court-locations-and-draw).

**\*\*Please pay special attention to home venue as some teams play on different courts\*\***

ROUND	MATCH DATE	KEY TO COMPETITION	
1	29/04/2023	1 v 2	3 v 4
2	06/05/2023	4 v 1	2 v 3
3	13/05/2023	4 v 2	1 v 3
4	20/05/2023	2 v 1	4 v 3
5	27/05/2023	1 v 4	3 v 2
<b>Opportunity to change seeding after round 1 – after 22/05/2023 and before 27/05/2023</b>			
6	03/06/2023	2 v 4	3 v 1
<b>KING'S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY WEEKEND: NO PLAY 10/06/2023</b>			
7	17/06/2023	1 v 2	3 v 4
8	24/06/2023	4 v 1	2 v 3
<b>SCHOOL HOLIDAY BREAK TILL 22/07/2023</b>			
9	22/07/2023	4 v 2	1 v 3
10	29/07/2023	2 v 1	4 v 3
<b>Opportunity to change seeding after round 2 – after 29/07/2023 and before 05/08/2023</b>			
11	05/08/2023	1 v 4	3 v 2
12	12/08/2023	2 v 4	3 v 1
13	19/08/2023	1 v 2	3 v 4
14	26/08/2023	4 v 1	2 v 3
<b>Entries start for all grades A1 down on the 26/08/2023</b>			
15	02/09/2023	4 v 2	1 v 3
Semi-Finals	09/09/2023	In the event of rain on semi-finals or finals day refer to rule 30.	
Finals	16/09/2023		

<b>B2 (NOTE: B2 DRAW 4 TEAMS ONLY)</b>	
<b>PLAY 8am – 10am</b>	
1	Champions 5
2	Evolution 7
3	Velox 4
4	Velox 5
N/A	
N/A	

## COMPETITION RULES AND CONDITIONS

This book provides information about the ISLTA Junior Tennis unisex competitions held on Saturday mornings.

✘ C Grades (2 hours). Doubles event for beginners.	
✘ A and B Grades (2 hours). Doubles and singles.	
✘ Premier Grade (4 hours). Rules and information issued separately.	
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### Rule 1 – ENTRIES

The Competition Secretary must receive all entries (with payment) by the advertised closing date.

Entries must contain

- Team Information – team name, court location, team secretary name and mobile number and email, team seeding order, preferred grade
- Player Information – name, email address, mobile number, email address and previous performances
- Correctly completed and signed Player Registration forms for non-ISLTA registered players or players whose registration will expire before the end of the competition.

The ISLTA will register all players in this competition with Tennis Australia. All players must provide a correctly completed and signed Player Registration Form for the period of the competition. If under 18 parental or guardian permission is required.

All players in all grades must be UTR-registered. Register at [universaltennis.com](http://universaltennis.com) for your UTR (Universal Tennis Rating.)

Note: Coach or Centre entered Team Names should be representative of a tennis centre, tennis coach or court location. Independently (i.e. non coach) entered Team names will be named Independent xx.

Note: Court locations must be approved courts within the St George and Sutherland Shire council boundaries. See our website ([isltajuniorbranchtennis.com](http://isltajuniorbranchtennis.com)) for a list of eligible suburbs. If a tennis centre is in a suburb not listed, contact the ISLTA JB president.

All Team Managers and Team Secretaries must be over 18 years of age and need to provide the ISLTA with a valid Working with Children number, unless exempt.

The Junior Branch Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry.

The Match and Grading Committee (a subset of the Junior Branch Committee) will review all team entries and reserves the right to amend the grade submitted.

### Rule 2 – COMPETITION ENTRY FEES

These are payable to ISLTA Junior Branch on a \$90 per team basis, and includes the cost of printing the Rule Book, providing proformas for scoring and results, trophies, event support, ISLTA membership and Tennis NSW membership. It does not include court hire, balls or score sheets which are the responsibility of each team and this would generally be incorporated into the per player fee charged by your team manager – see rule 6.

### Rule 3 – AGE

Players entering ISLTA Junior Branch competitions must be under the age of 19 as at the scheduled closing date for entries.

Players are graded based on playing standard and not on age.

Players entering C grade are generally beginners not yet ready for singles matches.

### Rule 4 – BEHAVIOUR AND DRESS RULES

Players, team managers, team secretaries, coaches, parents and spectators must abide by the Tennis Australia Code of Behaviour, a link to which can be found on our Junior Branch website [isltajuniorbranchtennis.com](http://isltajuniorbranchtennis.com) – see Rule 32.

Players, team managers, team secretaries, coaches, parents and spectators must not smoke in or around the tennis courts or spectator areas at the tennis courts between 7:45am and 12:15pm and whilst matches are being played. This includes e-cigarettes and vapes.

Players must wear appropriate tennis clothing at all times. Board shorts are not permitted.

Boys must not wear singlet tops. Girls may only wear bike shorts if under a skirt or tennis shorts.

Logos, images and text on clothing must not be offensive or suggestive.

Mobile phones and electronic devices are NOT permitted on the courts.

The photographing and filming of players is not permitted without the express permission of their parent or guardian (or from the player if the player is at least 18 years old.) For Semi-Finals and Finals team photographs are required to be sent to the Competition Secretary.

#### Rule 5 – NUMBER OF PLAYERS IN A TEAM AND PLAYERS TURN IN MATCHES

Teams can decide how many players they wish to register in their squad. It is recommended that teams have at least one extra player (i.e. three [3] players in A and B grade and four [4] players in C grade) in the squad to allow for absences and rotations, but this is not mandatory. See Rule 27 for eligibility to play in the Semi-Finals and Finals.

No player can play more than three (3) sets in one match in A and B Grades and two (2) sets in C Grade.

#### Rule 6 – COURT RENTAL AND OTHER TEAM COSTS

Each team is responsible for the payment of half the court rental each week, wet or fine, for the duration of the competition, including all finals matches. Each team/centre is responsible for court hire, balls, score books and any other local support. All teams, regardless of whether they qualify for the Semi-Final or Final must make their court available for the Semi-Finals and Finals – teams will be advised on the Monday before the Semi-Finals and Finals whether their court is required.

#### Rule 7 – BALLS AND SCORE AND RESULT SHEETS

The **home** team must always provide three (3) approved new matched set of balls (opened in front of the visiting team), a score sheet and results sheet for each match.

In Semi-Finals and Finals, the first mentioned team is to provide three (3) new approved balls with container opened in front of the opposing team, Score Sheet and Result Sheet. The cost of the balls is to be shared by the two (2) teams.

The Junior Branch Committee reserves the right to take appropriate action for non-compliance.

#### Rule 8 – SEEDING OF PLAYERS

In all singles matches the highest seeded player on the day shall always play the highest seeded player in the opposing team. All teams in the A and B Grades shall seed their players for singles on the entry form or alternatively submit a list in writing to the Competition Secretary before the commencement of the first match. Players must then maintain these seedings until the seventh match (14-week grade) or until fifth or tenth match (15-week grade) has been played when the seeds may be changed by notifying the Competition Secretary in writing prior to the commencement of the eighth match (14-week grade) or the sixth or eleventh match (15-week grade). Seeds as recorded by the Competition Secretary at the beginning of the eighth match (or sixth or eleventh for 15-week grade) must be maintained until the end of the competition.

There are no required seedings for doubles.

Substitutes will be equal seeding or lower seeding, or see Rule 14 for clarification on seeding

Teams that play out of seeded order will forfeit the singles games 0-6. There is no warning or grace period.

#### Rule 9 – RESULT SHEET

Results sheets must be completed and signed by both teams and sent by email to the Competition Results Recorder (*note new email address: [isltajbcomp@gmail.com](mailto:isltajbcomp@gmail.com)*) by 7pm on the day of play by **BOTH** teams.

In the case of a wet match, the home team must advise the Competition Results Recorder of the cancelled match. Both teams may advise which team members were scheduled to have played; required for eligibility to play in Semi-Finals and Finals – see Rules 16 and 27.

In the case of a forfeit, the winning team must advise within the normal timeframes which team members were to have played; required for eligibility to play in Semi-Finals and Finals – see Rule 27.

In the case of a bye, the opposing team must advise within the normal timeframes which team members were to have played; (required for eligibility to play in Semi-Finals and Finals – see Rule 27. Teams will receive full points when their opposition is a bye.

It is strongly recommended that both teams take a copy of the Result Sheet. Teams must not to alter the results sheet after it has been signed – alteration may result in a 2-point penalty.

Games played in unfinished sets must be included on the Result Sheet (write the actual score) – see Rule 23.

It is the responsibility of all teams to regularly check the results published on [isltajuniorbranchtennis.com](http://isltajuniorbranchtennis.com) and notify the Competition Results Recorder within two (2) weeks of any corrections required. Requests for changes received later than two (2) weeks after the results are published cannot be accepted.

#### Rule 9.1 – LATE RESULTS

Results must be received by 7pm on the day of play. One warning only will be issued for late results, after which, for every incidence of late submission, penalties will apply, including but not limited to, a draw being recorded and the points shared between the two (2) teams.

#### Rule 10 – PROTESTS

All protests to be lodged in writing to the President and/or Competition Grade Co-ordinator by no later than 5pm on the Tuesday following the playing of the match in question.

#### Rule 11 – PLAYERS WISHING TO LEAVE A TEAM

In the case of a player wishing to leave his or her team for any reason whatsoever, they must be financial at the date of leaving that team and receive a clearance from the team secretary and the Competition Grade Co-ordinator before his or her obligations cease. It is the team secretary's obligation to seek a clearance from the Competition Grade Co-ordinator.

#### Rule 12 – TEAMS WISHING TO DISBAND AND VACATE A COURT

All teams must keep their court and pay rent for same until the competition has finished – see Rule 6. Should circumstances cause a team to disband, written approval must be first obtained from the Competition Grade Co-ordinator. Failure to comply with this rule renders all players of the team liable to a fine.

#### Rule 13 – LATE REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS

Teams can request to register additional players at any time, before the last two (2) rounds of the competition, in writing, to the Competition Grade Co-ordinator. The new player should not strengthen the team. The request must contain complete player information, including an email address and mobile number, player previous performances and team seeding information (rest of team order cannot change except as per Rule 8) and a correctly completed and signed ISLTA Player Registration Form.

Acceptance or rejection of this late registration will be advised in writing. The Junior Branch Committee reserves the right to refuse any late entry.

#### Rule 14 – TRANSFER OF PLAYERS AND SUBSTITUTE PLAYERS

##### Rule 14.1 – PERMANENT TRANSFER

A player wishing to permanently transfer between teams during the season must obtain written approval of the Competition Grade Co-ordinator before playing for the new team. The Junior Branch Committee reserves the right to refuse any permanent transfer.

##### Rule 14.2 – ONE DAY SUBSTITUTE PLAYER

Permission to use a Substitute Player must be obtained BEFORE the match from the Competition Grade Co-ordinator and player details must also be completed on the Result Sheet. Where a Substitute Player has not been approved BEFORE the match commences, any matches they play will be forfeited (singles 0-6 and doubles 0-8). There is no warning or grace period. The Junior Branch Committee reserves the right to refuse any request for a Substitute Player.

A Substitute Player must not strengthen the team. Substitute players' eligibility may be reviewed after the match by the Committee.

Matches played as a Substitute Player are excluded in matches for eligibility to play in Semi-Finals and Finals.

##### Rule 14.2A – SUBSTITUTE PLAYERS CURRENTLY REGISTERED IN ANOTHER TEAM

Any team wishing to use a player who is currently playing in the competition as a Substitute Player may:

- borrow a registered player from the same grade, however, must be a lower seed from any team
- borrow a registered player from the lower grade of any club and this player will be considered the lowest seed – see Rule 8.

A player cannot play for more than one (1) team on the same day in the same time slot.

Players may play as a Substitute Player for higher grades for unlimited matches in other teams during the current competition, although no more than three [3] matches for any one [1] team.

A player who is a Substitute Player for the same team three (3) times will be permanently transferred to that team at the end of the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) match and will become the lowest seed of that team. Matches played before the transfer are not counted for eligibility for Semi-Finals or Finals.

#### Rule 14.2B – SUBSTITUTES NOT CURRENTLY REGISTERED IN ANOTHER TEAM

A non-ISLTA registered player may play only (1) match in the ISLTA competition regardless of team before requiring to be registered as an ISLTA player. Any non-ISLTA registered player, playing two (2) or more matches without being registered as an ISLTA player will forfeit the games played (singles 0-6 and doubles 0-8). There is no warning or grace period

To be an ISLTA registered player, a correctly completed Player Registration Form must be received by the Competition Secretary before the planned commencement time of the match (i.e. 8am or 10am)

#### Rule 15 – COMMENCEMENT OF PLAY AND FINISHING TIME

Commencement of play in all grades will be 8.05am and 10.05am respectively, at which time all practice will cease and play commence. No more than three (3) minutes is allowed between end of one set and beginning of play in next set. A five (5) minute warm-up is allowed before each player's FIRST SET of the day ONLY. All play will cease at 10am or midday unless agreed upon by teams and courts are available as noted in Rules 18 and 23.

- At five (5) minutes after planned commencement of play (i.e. 8:10 or 10:10), if no player from a team has arrived, they will forfeit the first set.
- At 25 minutes after planned commencement of play (i.e. 8:30 or 10:30), if no players from the team have arrived at all, they will forfeit the match. The team that is present, should forward a Result Sheet to the Competition Secretary advising which of their players were present and that the other team forfeited.
- If one player is late, play can commence with another set i.e. singles for A and B grade, another doubles for C grade.

If a player has failed to arrive by the time his/her matches are due to commence or 25 minutes after planned commencement of play (i.e. 8:30 or 10:30) whichever is later, and all possible sets have been played, then a forfeit shall be claimed for all sets in which that player would have taken part (if no arrangements had been agreed by both team captains prior to the commencement of the match.)

A and B grade – forfeit last three (3) sets, C grade – forfeit last two (2) sets.

In the case of Semi-Finals and Finals, timings will be issued separately in order to reach a result.

#### Rule 16 – WET WEATHER

In the event of wet weather please call the court telephone number listed in this document and also available on our website, no earlier than 30 minutes before the start time of the match, to ascertain if the court is playable. If a court is likely to be playable or uncertain or the court manager cannot be reached, players must proceed to the court where a decision will be made by the court manager (on safety grounds) up to 30 minutes after the scheduled start time. In the absence of a court manager at the court, teams should come to a mutual decision. As per Rule 9, the home team is responsible for advising the Competition Results Recorder of a wet match by 7pm on the scheduled day of play. If a team wants to record players' names to count in Semi-Finals and Finals you may submit name/s for that purpose on the Result Sheet.

In the event of wet weather once play has commenced, a decision will be made by the court manager (on safety grounds) to stop play. In the absence of a court manager, teams should come to a mutual decision. Common sense and courtesy should apply. Please note: a forfeit shall not stand if the round is declared a washout, unless the appointed court is playable at the commencement (start of play) time.

Players should write the actual games played on the Result Sheet. Points for any unplayed games or sets will be shared equally by the Competition Results Recorder.

### Rule 17 – EXTREME WEATHER

In the event of extreme weather (as defined by Tennis NSW Extreme Weather policy - heat, smoke, etc), the Junior Branch Committee may, at its discretion, cancel any or all matches.

Notification of this cancellation shall be conveyed to the Grade Co-ordinator/s.

Team Secretaries, Managers and Players are to ensure that all the players in their team are notified.

Points for cancelled matches will be shared equally by the Competition Results Recorder.

If matches are not cancelled by the Junior Branch Committee:

- In the event of storms where lightning is present at the court location, play MUST stop
- In the event of extreme heat or smoke, both teams may agree to finish play

Points for any remaining games or sets will be shared equally by the Competition Results Recorder.

Common sense, player safety and courtesy should apply.

If the teams do not agree – they should continue playing and contact the Competition Grade Co-ordinator who will make a decision using the Tennis NSW Extreme Weather policy.

### Rule 18 – MODE OF PLAY

#### For All Grades

- If a player or team is late – see Rule 15
- If a match is incomplete at the scheduled finish time – see Rule 23
- The player not involved in the current set helps by umpiring or ball person – the roles are shared between the home and away teams (umpire - home, away, home). The ball person must remain near the net so as not to interfere with play. Only one (1) ball person should be on the court unless agreed to by both teams.
- Only players should be umpires or ball persons (not spectators, siblings or parents) unless agreed to by both teams.

**PREMIER GRADE:** see our website: [isltajuniorbranchtennis.com](http://isltajuniorbranchtennis.com) or contact Premier Grade Co-ordinators at [isltapremier@gmail.com](mailto:isltapremier@gmail.com).

#### **A1 - B GRADES (2 Hour Event)**

- Each team has a seeded squad of two (2) players (three (3) recommend), two (2) players play each week for the team
- The match will consist of two (2) doubles sets of eight (8) games (with a tie-breaker at 4 all) and two (2) singles sets (first to six (6) with a 2-game lead, with a tiebreak at 6 all)  
Change of ends after each odd game  
See Rule 21 for tie-breaker.

The order of play will be:

- Doubles, top seeded singles, lower seeded singles, doubles
- For doubles sets, players are to self-umpire – see Rule 22.

Note: if your match starts at 10am, the earlier grades MUST clear the court by 10am. The (possible) exception being the Semi-Finals and Finals – see Rule 23.

#### **C GRADE (2 Hour Event)**

- Players are generally beginners who are under the age of 13 as at the scheduled closing date – see Rule 3
- Each team has a squad of three (3) players (four (4) are recommended), three (3) players play each week for the team
- The match will consist of three (3) doubles sets of 10 games each with a change of end after each odd game
- Players will number themselves 1, 2 or 3 each week. The order of play will be:

**First set:** Numbers 1 and 2 vs 1 and 2.

**Second set:** Numbers 2 and 3 vs 2 and 3.

**Third set:** Numbers 1 and 3 vs 1 and 3.

**Rule 19 – ORDER OF SERVICE**

The order of service shall be decided by a toss at the start of the match, the winner of the toss having the right to serve first in the first, third, fifth and seventh games, or the second, fourth, sixth and eighth games. The serve then alternates in future sets.

**Rule 20 – SHORT DEUCE – ALL GRADES (except A1)**

When the score reaches deuce for the first time (i.e. 40-40) the game shall be decided by the next point being ‘**sudden death**’ with receiver’s choice of forehand/backhand side.

**Rule 21 – TIE-BREAKS**

A tie-break will be played when the score reaches six (6) games all in a singles match and four (4) games all in a doubles match.

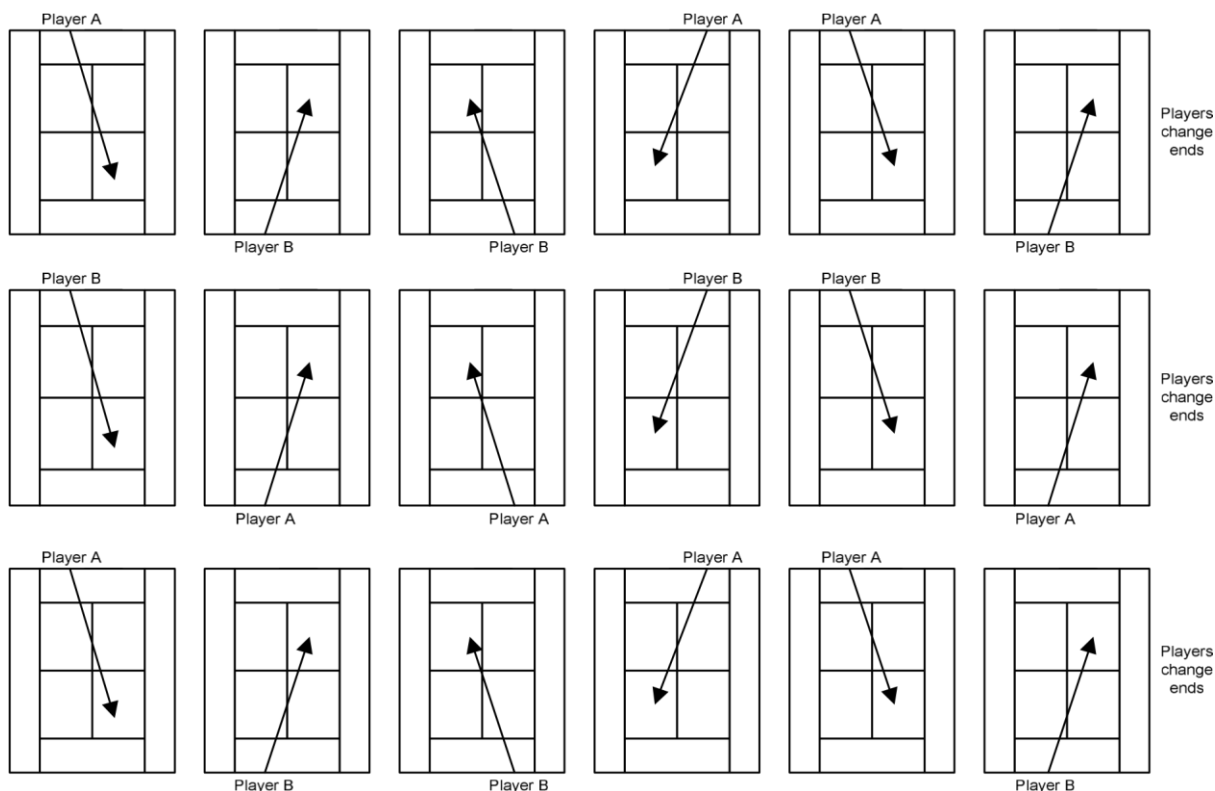
Singles

1. A player who first wins seven (7) points shall win the game and the set provided the player leads by a margin of two (2) points. If the score reaches six (6) points all, the game continues until the margin of two (2) has been achieved. Numerical scoring shall be used throughout the tie-break game.
2. The player whose turn it is to serve shall be the server for the first point. The opponent shall be the server for the second and third points and thereafter each player shall serve alternatively for two (2) consecutive points until the winner of the game and set has been decided.
3. From the first point, each service shall be delivered alternatively from the right and left courts, beginning from the right.
4. Players shall change ends after every six (6) points and at the conclusion of the tie-break game.

Doubles

In doubles the procedure for singles shall apply. The players whose turn it is to serve shall be the server for the first point. Thereafter each player shall serve in rotation for two (2) points, in the same order as previously in that set, until the winners of the game and set have been decided.

**ODD POINTS ARE SERVED FROM THE RIGHT COURT  
EVEN POINTS ARE SERVED FROM THE LEFT COURT**





## Rule 22 - UMPIRING

Teams must share umpiring duties for all sets where there is a player who is not participating in the current set. Normally this would be expected to be on an alternating basis (e.g. Home, Away, Home, Away, etc). However, there is no fixed order and team captains must agree prior to the commencement of play on the order of umpiring. As noted in Rule 18, teams not umpiring in singles sets in A and B Grades must provide one ball person. Tennis Australia's "Rules for self-umpiring" are to be followed when there is no chair umpire – see Rule 22.1.

All spectators including parents and coaches must not coach, umpire or make comments to any players on the court whilst the match is in play. No spectator is allowed onto the court during play unless agreed to by both teams. Umpires only (or players if no umpire) are to make line calls and call the score. Players, parents, spectators and coaches are to accept the umpire's call and show respect at all times.

### Rule 22.1 - RULES FOR MATCHES PLAYED WITHOUT A CHAIR UMPIRE

- Each player is responsible for all calls on his/her side of the net, however, it should be noted that an official is permitted to reverse an incorrect line call.
- If in doubt, the player must give the benefit of the doubt to his/her opponent.
- A service let may be called by either player/team.
- Foot faults may only be called by an Official. Players may be requested to correct their foot-faulting problem by an Official. The receiver may not call a foot fault against the server.
- The receiver must play to the reasonable pace of the server.
- All out or fault calls should be made promptly after the ball has bounced and loudly enough for the opponent to hear.
- If a player incorrectly calls a ball out and then realises that the ball was good, the point should be replayed, unless it was a point winning shot or unless that player made an incorrect out call earlier in the match. In these circumstances, the player who called out loses the point.
- The server should call the score before each first serve, loudly enough for his/her opponent to hear.
- If players cannot agree on the score, they should calmly discuss the points/games that are disputed. If they then cannot reach agreement, they should only replay the number of points/games that are in dispute i.e. two (2) players cannot agree on whether the score is 40-30 or 30-40, but they do agree that they have won two (2) points each. The game shall continue from 30-30. When the game score is in dispute the same principles apply with all agreed games standing and only disputed games being replayed.
- When a player has created an involuntary hindrance (ball falling out of pocket, hat falling off, etc), the first time a let should be called and any similar hindrance thereafter will be ruled deliberate.
- Any hindrance caused by a player that is ruled deliberate by an official will result in the loss of a point.
- Where a ball interrupts play, either by rolling/bouncing onto the court, and/or creating a visible interruption behind the court a let should be played. Either player can call a let in these circumstances provided they do so in a timely manner. Where this is between a first and second serve, a second serve only should be played.
- If at the completion of a match, the players involved realise that the scoring format used is incorrect, the match result shall stand provided all players have left the court enclosure.
- If the mistake is realised before the players have left the enclosure, the correct scoring format should be used to finalise the match. If this is not possible (i.e. the match has progressed beyond the point where the correct scoring format can be implemented), then the score based on the incorrect format stands.
- If a player is unhappy with his/her opponent's actions or decisions, he/she should call the Referee (or assistant) immediately. This may include any disputes regarding Lets, Foul Shots or Not Up situations where players cannot reach agreement.

## ETIQUETTE

- When ball persons are not available, all balls on your side of the net are your responsibility, to pick up and, where appropriate, return directly to the server.
- The receiver should not return the first service if it is an obvious fault – let it go by or ground it.
- Do not enlist the aid of spectators, including parents, coaches, etc, in making line calls or attempting to determine the score or other on-court matters.

- To avoid controversy over the score, the server should announce the game score before starting a game and the point score prior to serving for each point.
- Wait until a point is over before walking behind a court where a match is in progress.
- To retrieve a ball from another court or to return a ball to another court, wait until the players have completed the point.
- Do not stall, sulk, complain or practice gamesmanship.
- Screaming regularly and loudly, whether in relation to winning and/or losing a point is likely to cause interference to play on nearby courts and may be considered unsportsmanlike conduct.
- Overt celebration directed at an opponent may be considered intimidation- and therefore unsportsmanlike conduct.
- In doubles, when returning service, the partner of the receiver should generally call the service line for him/her. The receiver should generally call the centre and side service lines. Calls need to be loud enough to stop their opponents/partner playing.

### Rule 23 – DECIDING THE WINNER OF THE MATCH

#### C Grade (2 hours)

- Matches in C Grade will be decided on the highest number of games at the finishing time. There can be a draw in both home and away matches.
- If the match is incomplete at the scheduled finish time, then the match shall cease and the games will be noted as not finished and the actual scores written on the Result Sheet. The remaining games will be split evenly between the two (2) teams by the Competition Results Recorder. Note: if the court is available and both teams agree, play can continue until finalised. Common sense and courtesy should apply.
- If at the conclusion of the last round, more than one (1) team is equal points, then the total number of games for and against shall determine the final position of the teams
- For Semi-Finals and Finals information see Rules 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30.

#### A - B Grades (2 hours)

- Six (6) points are allotted for each match in A and B Grades (one [1] point for each set and two [2] points for the win)
- The winning team is decided on sets won but if the sets are equal, it will be decided on games. If the sets and games are equal, the winning two (2) points will be shared. If the winner of the match has not been decided when play is stopped, the winning points will be shared
- If the match is incomplete at the scheduled finish time, then the match shall cease at exactly the scheduled finish time and the games will be noted as not finished and the actual scores written on the Result Sheet. If the current score in that set is a clear win (e.g. 5-1 in doubles) then the set has been won otherwise the remaining games will be split evenly between the two (2) teams by the Competition Co-ordinator. Note: if the court is available and both teams agree, play can continue until finalised. Common sense and courtesy should apply.
- For Semi-Finals and Finals information see Rules 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30.

### Rule 24 – SUBSTITUTION OF PLAYERS INJURED DURING PLAY

This rule only applies to an injury that occurs during the current match. In the event of a player becoming injured during the playing of a set, a substitute who has not taken part in the match and is a registered member of that team (and in a Semi-Final or Final has met the eligibility criteria in Rule 27) will be allowed to continue the match.

The substitute must be available within 20 minutes or the unplayed sets will be forfeited. If a reasonable delay is likely to occur then another set should be played in full to avoid wasting time. The incomplete set is to be resumed from the exact position at which the match stood when the player became injured. Notification of such substitution must be made on the Result Sheet.

In the event that the injury occurs when there is less than 20 minutes to go before the scheduled finishing time and the team has an eligible substitute that could play but does not arrive before the finishing time – the team will forfeit the set in which the injury occurred and will share any remaining sets.

NOTE that in A and B grades the team must still play in seeded order (e.g. the #1 seed on the team list cannot play as the #2 single's injury replacement).

No player can play more than three (3) sets in A and B Grades and two (2) sets in C Grade.

Where a player is unable to continue play for reasons other than an injury occurring during play of the current match, a delay of no more than five (5) minutes may be taken, then play must resume or a forfeit shall be awarded. The rest of the sets must start as per Rule 15, there are no substitutes for illness. A player is only allowed one (1) period of five (5) minutes in a match.

#### Rule 25 – FORFEITS

Teams must not forfeit any match or part of a match without adequate reason.

In the event of a team forfeiting a match they must notify the other team secretary (via telephone call or text message) at least 15 minutes prior to the intended start time. A 2-point penalty applies for teams who do not notify the opposition that they are forfeiting.

In the event of a team forfeiting a match or part of a match the team secretary must forward the reason in writing to the Competition Results Recorder by 7pm on the scheduled day of play.

In the case of a forfeit by the opposing team, teams must advise which team members were to play to ensure eligibility to play in Semi-Finals and Finals. See Rules 9 and 27.

Where a team withdraws from the competition all matches will be treated as forfeits.

The Junior Branch Committee has the right to withdraw any team forfeiting three (3) or more matches.

A forfeit shall not stand if the round is declared a washout, unless the appointed court is playable at the commencement (start of play) time.

#### Rule 26 – DRAW FOR SEMI-FINALS AND FINALS

After points have been determined for each grade, the leading team shall play the fourth team and the second team shall play the third team in Semi-Finals.

In the event of points being equal, games scored for and against will determine positions.

In the event of points being equal and games scored for and against being equal, the games for and against the other team will determine positions.

The winning teams of the Semi-Finals shall play in the Finals.

Teams must check either on the internet, with their centre, or with the Competition Grade Co-ordinator to ensure they are aware of the location and times of Semi-Finals and Finals games.

#### Rule 27 – ELIGIBILITY TO PLAY IN SEMI-FINALS AND FINALS

A player must be registered in a team and have played in at least three (3) matches with their registered team to be eligible to play in Semi-Finals and Finals. In the case of a wet match, a bye or forfeit, a team must forward to the Competition Grade Co-ordinator in the normal match timeframe (see Rule 9) a declaration of such players who would have played in the match and this will be counted as a qualifying match. Games played as Substitute Players do not count towards the three (3) matches unless agreed in writing by the Competition Grade Co-ordinator prior to the match.

Where the team chooses, all eligible registered members of the team can play in Semi-Finals and Finals.

Any ineligible players will forfeit all matches they play in (singles 0-6, doubles 0-8).

In Semi-Finals and Finals, any combination of doubles pairings of eligible players is allowed. Make sure the opposition is informed that your team is playing more than two (2) players (A - B grade) or three (3) players (C grade) on the day.

In C Grade – no more than two (2) sets per player.

In A - B Grades – no more than three (3) sets per player (same player cannot play in both singles).

Any players playing more than two (2) sets (C grade), three (3) sets (A - B grade), or both singles (A - B grade) will forfeit the additional matches (singles 0-6, doubles 0-8)

All Semi-Finals and Finals matches must be played to a result on the day.

### Rule 28 – DECIDING OF ‘HOME TEAM’ IN SEMI-FINALS AND FINALS

The home team in Semi-Finals and Finals will be the first mentioned team in the Semi-Finals and Finals draw.

### Rule 29 – DECIDING THE ‘WINNER’ OF A SEMI-FINAL OR FINALS MATCH

In the event of a draw in a Semi-Final or Finals match.

C Grade – the original doubles pair from the first set, go on to play 4 games (1 serve each player). If it is still a draw, then in a Semi-Final, the team that had the highest points (of the two [2] teams playing) at the end of Round 14/15 is considered the winner, therefore proceeding to the Finals, whereas in a Finals match, the teams will be JOINT WINNERS.

A - B Grades (2 hours) – the original doubles pairs will play a normal tie breaker (not a set) to decide the winner.

### Rule 30 – SEMI-FINALS AND FINALS: WET MATCH

In case of rain during the Semi-Finals and Finals we have allowed one (1) potential wet match.

The below lists the possible scenarios of who would play who, should a wet match occur:

Semi-Finals and Finals Week 1	Semi-Finals and Finals Week 2	Semi-Finals and Finals Week 3	
Semi-Finals to be played 1v4, 2v3 Play not washed out	Final to be played between the winners of the Semi-Finals. Play not washed out	No match	
Semi-Finals to be played 1v4, 2v3 Play not washed out	Final to be played between the winners of the Semi-Finals. Play washed out	Final to be played between the winners of the Semi-finals. Play not washed out	
Semi-Finals to be played 1v4, 2v3 Play not washed out	Final to be played between the winners of the Semi-Finals. Play washed out	Final to be played between the winners of the Semi-Finals. Play washed out therefore no final will be played	The highest points of the winners of the two Semi-Finals matches at the end of round 14/15 will be declared the winner and the other team will be declared the runner up
Semi-Finals to be played 1v4, 2v3 Play washed out	Semi-Finals to be played 1v4, 2v3 Play not washed out	Final to be played between the winners of the Semi-Finals. Play not washed out	
Semi-Finals to be played 1v4, 2v3 Play washed out	Semi-Finals to be played 1v4, 2v3 Play washed out therefore no Semi-Final will be played.	Final to be played between the (2) teams with the highest points at the end of round 14/15 will play in the Finals. Play not washed out	
Semi-Finals to be played 1v4, 2v3 Play washed out	Semi-Finals to be played 1v4, 2v3 Play washed out therefore no Semi-Final will be played.	Final to be played between the (2) teams with the highest points at the end of round 14/15 will play in the Finals. Play washed out therefore no Final will be played	The team with the highest points at the end of round 14/15 will be declared the winner and the team with the second highest points will be declared the runner up

### Rule 31 – TENNIS RULES AND TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS

Unless otherwise specified in these rules, standard ITF Tennis rules apply. These can be found on the following website [www.itftennis.com](http://www.itftennis.com).

Where an official is present at the match, their decisions are final. The following are considered officials for this competition:

Tennis Officials Australia Court Supervisor or Referee, ISLTA Junior Branch Committee Member, Competition Grade Co-ordinator, A1 Co-ordinator or any other so delegated by ISLTA Junior Branch.

## Rule 32 – COMPLAINTS RE CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

Where a complaint is received, the Competition Secretary will investigate and ISLTA Tribunal may award an ISLTA Code Violation Penalty point (Offences depending on their severity can range from 1 to 3 penalty points). Players who receive three (3) Penalty Points within a 12-month period may be ineligible to play in Saturday Morning Comp for a period of up to 6 months. Players are responsible for their coach, parents and spectators' behaviour.

### ISLTA CODE VIOLATIONS

#### 1. *Physical abuse*

Players shall not physically abuse any official, opponent, spectator, or other person within the competition site. For the purposes of this rule, physical abuse is the unauthorised touching of an official, opponent, spectator or any other person. In certain circumstances the matter may also be referred to the police for further investigation and subsequent possible action.

#### 2. *Verbal abuse*

Players shall not at any time directly or indirectly verbally abuse any official, opponent, sponsor, spectator, or other person within the precincts of the competition site. For the purpose of this rule, verbal abuse is defined as a statement about an official, opponent, sponsor, spectator or other person that implies dishonesty or is derogatory, insulting, racially or otherwise abusive.

#### 3. *Audible obscenity*

Players shall not use an audible obscenity within the precincts of the competition site. For the purposes of this rule audible obscenity is defined as the use of words commonly known and understood to be profane and uttered clearly and loudly enough to be heard by the court officials or spectators.

#### 4. *Visible obscenity*

A player makes offensive or obscene gestures during any match or within the precinct. For the purposes of this rule, visible obscenity is defined as the making of signs by a player with his hands, body and/or racquet/balls that commonly have an obscene meaning.

#### 5. *Unsportsmanlike conduct*

Players shall not during any competition engage in conduct that damages the image and integrity of tennis. Players shall at all times conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner and give due regard to the authority of officials and the rights of opponents, spectators and others. For the purposes of this policy, unsportsmanlike conduct is defined as any misconduct by a player, prior to, during or subsequent to a match that is clearly abusive or detrimental to the sport, including, but not limited to blatant cheating, but does not specifically fall within other violation categories. Without limiting the foregoing any conduct that is disrespectful or offensive to a player's opponent/s, or to Officials, Competition Secretary, or competition managers, Competition staff, spectators or players on other courts is deemed to be Unsportsmanlike Conduct under this section. This may include but is not limited to:

- failure to return the ball appropriately to the server;
- inappropriate or unsportsmanlike comments or gestures, sledging, intimidating, threatening or abusive acts or omissions, overt celebrations consistently directed at opponents, excessive noise disrupting the competition, or any other unsportsmanlike acts or omissions that are inconsistent with commonly understood tennis etiquette.

#### 6. *Unreasonable delays*

A player shall not unreasonably delay a match. A player shall commence the match after the expiration of the established warm-up period. Thereafter, play shall be continuous as provided in the Rules of Tennis and a player shall not unreasonably delay a match for any cause. When a violation is a result of a medical condition, refusal to play or not returning to the court within the allocated time a code violation (delay of game) penalty shall be assessed in accordance with the code schedule. Other delays may be dealt with as a time violation.

#### 7. *Abuse of racquets or equipment*

A player violently or with anger, hits, kicks or throws a racquet or other equipment, or in any way unreasonably interferes with any court fixtures and equipment within the precinct. For the purposes of this rule abuse of racquets or equipment is defined as intentionally and violently throwing, destroying or damaging racquets or equipment or intentionally and violently hitting the net, court, umpire's chair or other fixture during or after a match out of anger or frustration.

#### 8. *Abuse of balls*

Players shall not violently, dangerously or with anger hit, kick or throw a tennis ball within the precinct except in the reasonable pursuit of a point during a match (including warm-up). For the purposes of this rule abuse of balls is defined as intentionally hitting a ball out of the enclosure of the court, hitting

a ball dangerously or recklessly within the court or hitting a ball with negligent disregard of the consequences.

9. *Coaching*

A player receives any type of coaching from any person while a match is in progress. Communication of any kind, audible or visible between a player and any other person may be construed as coaching. Coaching shall be permitted where there is an off-court break between sets or during interruptions to play caused by bad weather or light where players leave the court. Coaching is not permitted while a court is being serviced at the end of or during a set and players are still on court, or during a toilet break.

10. *Conduct unbecoming*

A player who behaves in a manner considered to be detrimental to the best interests of the event and the sport will be deemed to have committed a violation.

11. *Time violation*

Where a player takes longer than the prescribed time between points, or at the change of ends, the official will determine whether a violation has occurred. If it is determined that a violation has occurred the first violation shall be penalised by a warning and each subsequent violation by a point penalty. Notwithstanding the previous paragraph, when a time violation is a result of natural loss of physical condition, injury or refusal to play after being ordered to play by an official a penalty will be assessed in accordance with the code violation – unreasonable delays.

12. *Spectator Interference*


A player is deemed to be responsible for the behaviour and conduct of their entourage and support team who attend their matches or attend a Competition in which they are participating (i.e. parent, family member, coach, trainer or friend).

Where a match is disrupted or interfered with by the action/s of a spectator who is part of a player's entourage (i.e. parent, family member, coach, trainer or friend) an ISLTA Penalty point (s) may be placed on the relevant player(s) whose entourage that spectator forms part of.

Disruption/Interference is defined as including the following:

- intimidation threatening or abuse of opponents;
- making or causing to be made disrespectful or inappropriate comments or gestures towards Officials, players, Tournament Directors/Staff, competition managers, coaches, other parents and other persons on-site at or involved with a Tournament at a Precinct;
- providing inappropriate instructions, comments or direction to a player including both the spectator's own player or the opponent, of any type (although this may also be considered as "Coaching"); and
- any other inappropriate or Unsportsmanlike Conduct of any type as determined by the applicable Official.

Without limiting any of the above, where a spectator engages in conduct that brings the sport of tennis or a Competition into ridicule or disrepute, or that may be considered "conduct unbecoming" whilst that spectator is on-site at a Competition and/or a Precinct; an ISLTA penalty point(s) may be issued to the player whose entourage that spectator forms part of.

**WARNING!** 

Results must be received **by 7pm** on the day of play. One warning **only** will be issued for late results, after which, for every incidence of late submission, a draw will be recorded and the points shared between the two teams.

**SATURDAY**

**7 00 pm**

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## ISLTA JUNIOR BRANCH RESULT SHEET

A1 – B Grade: as per seeding

C Grade: Players are to number themselves 1, 2 and 3 at start of match

**BOTH** teams are to email the correctly completed Result Sheet to: [isltajbcomp@gmail.com](mailto:isltajbcomp@gmail.com)

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY COMPLETING ALL SECTIONS**

Team Names		HOME TEAM NAME: Players' Names and Surnames	VISITING TEAM NAME: Players' Names and Surnames	Grade:		
A and B Grade	C Grade			GAMES		Reason if not completed
1 <sup>st</sup> Doubles	1 & 2					
Top Seed Singles	2 & 3					
Lower Seed Singles	1 & 3					
2 <sup>nd</sup> Doubles	N/A					
Semi-Finals and Finals Tie Break						
If set not completed, record the actual score. <b>DO NOT</b> split remaining games				<b>TOTAL</b>		

Captain's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Captain's Name (*please print*) \_\_\_\_\_

**WON BY TEAM:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ By \_\_\_\_\_ Sets \_\_\_\_\_ Games

\_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_ Sets \_\_\_\_\_ Games

New balls supplied: YES/NO

Captain to sign only if **NO** circled Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

- **BOTH TEAMS** are to correctly complete and sign the Result Sheet for each match.
- **BOTH TEAMS MUST EMAIL THE COMPLETED RESULT SHEET TO [isltajbcomp@gmail.com](mailto:isltajbcomp@gmail.com) by no later than 7pm** on the day of play.  
**PENALTIES MAY APPLY FOR INCORRECT AND/OR LATE SUBMISSION INCLUDING – BUT NOT LIMITED TO – POINTS BEING SPLIT BETWEEN THE TWO TEAMS.**
- The HOME TEAM is responsible for notification of WET MATCHES by emailing [isltajbcomp@gmail.com](mailto:isltajbcomp@gmail.com).  
*Optional:* teams to email [isltajbcomp@gmail.com](mailto:isltajbcomp@gmail.com) the names of the players who were scheduled to play.

### ISLTA JB GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP NOMINATION

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

TEAM: \_\_\_\_\_

REASON: \_\_\_\_\_

NOMINATED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternatively, email your nomination to: [goodsportsisltajb@gmail.com](mailto:goodsportsisltajb@gmail.com).

Fill out the following for your team: My team's players seeding and result

Team Name	Team Grade		
Home Court Location			
Home Court Telephone			
Playing Time			
Seeding	Seed	Name	Mobile
	1		
	2		
	3		

Round	Date	Suggested Seeds	Player Name and Seed		
			Seed 1	Seed 2	Seed 3
1	15/10/2022	1, 2			
2	22/10/2022	1, 3			
3	29/10/2022	2, 3			
4	05/11/2022	1, 2			
5	12/11/2022	1, 3			
<b>Opportunity to change seeding after round 5 – after 12/11/2022 and before 19/11/2022</b>					
6	19/11/2022	2, 3			
7	26/11/2022	1, 2			
8	03/11/2022	1, 3			
9	10/12/2022	2,3			
10	04/02/2023	1, 2			
<b>Opportunity to change seeding after round 10 – after 4/2/2023 and before 11/2/2023</b>					
11	11/02/2023	1, 3			
12	18/02/2023	2, 3			
13	25/02/2023	1, 2			
14	04/03/2023	1, 3			
15	11/03/2023	2, 3			
<b>Semi-Finals</b>	<b>18/03/2023</b>	<b>All</b>			
<b>Finals</b>	<b>25/03/2023</b>	<b>All</b>			





ISLTA JUNIOR BRANCH SUBSTITUTE PLAYERS (UNDER RULE 14)

Where a Substitute Player has been used under Rule 14 the following particulars are to be provided:

Player's Name \_\_\_\_\_ (please print name and surname)

Player currently registered in a team? YES/NO

If currently registered in a team:

From \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

(Name of Team)

To \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

(Name of Team)

PRIOR PERMISSION was obtained from: \_\_\_\_\_

SUBSTITUTE PLAYERS for injury during play (UNDER RULE 24)

After the commencement of a match players may only be substituted in accordance with Competition Rule 24.

Injured Player's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (please print name and surname)

Name of Substitute: \_\_\_\_\_ (please print name and surname)

Reason for substitution:

**NEED A SUBSTITUTE PLAYER?**

If you require a player due to players in your team being injured or unavoidably unavailable, rather than forfeit, you can refer to the team contact lists to find a substitute player. Refer to **Rule 14** to ensure you are following ISLTA rules.





# NOMINATE TO ACKNOWLEDGE GOOD SPORTS

**ISLTA JUNIOR BRANCH REWARDS GOOD  
SPORTSMANSHIP WITH GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP  
AWARDS. AND YOUR NOMINATIONS COUNT!  
REWARDS ARE IN THE FORM OF PRIZES GIVEN OUT  
AT THE END OF EACH COMP (SUMMER AND WINTER)  
AT THE FINALS PRESENTATIONS**

The Illawarra Suburbs Lawn Tennis Association – Junior Branch Committee members are keen to promote good sportsmanship. Why?

It's a way of recognising players who demonstrate a positive attitude and **Good Sportsmanship**. This will be recognised across a number of fields developed by the JB committee.

How will this occur?

Very simply; anyone witnessing “Good Sportsmanship” can nominate a player/s. Record the player details in the “GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP NOMINATION” section on the bottom of your Result Sheet. Alternatively, you can email your nomination/s to: [goodsportsislta@gmail.com](mailto:goodsportsislta@gmail.com).

All nominations received will be recorded during the season. At the end of the season, responses will be tallied and a number of prizes will be presented to the winners.

Possible reasons for nomination:

- Being polite to players both on and off court
- Calling the score in a loud and clear voice
- Helping the opposing team in all things related to tennis e.g. attentive as a ball person.



**ATTENTION  
PLEASE!**



**JUNIOR BRANCH PARENTS,  
COACHES, PLAYERS AND  
SUPPORTERS, PLEASE REMEMBER:**

 **THESE ARE KIDS**

 **THIS IS A GAME**

 **WE WANT THE KIDS TO  
HAVE FUN**

 **TREAT ALL PLAYERS &  
UMPIRES WITH RESPECT**

 **THIS IS NOT A  
GRAND SLAM**



**Illawarra Suburbs Lawn Tennis Association –  
Junior Branch takes all breaches seriously  
and you may be brought before the Executive  
if found to have acted in a manner that  
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