

## Mixed Tennis Competition

### LAWS OF THE GAME

#### LOCATION

- All games will be played on tennis courts managed by Sydney Uni Sport and Fitness (Manning Lawn Tennis Courts)

#### TEAM

- MAXIMUM four (4) **Mixed Doubles** teams per faculty/school.
- Each team can have up to four (4) players per team.
- **Each team requires to provide a student to assist court set up from 9am** (for 10am start)
- Players are NOT allowed to switch team within their faculty/school once the competition commences.
- **Each team must have a female player on the court at any time.**
- Two (2) players from an eliminated team can continue their competition with one of their progressing counterpart from the same school/faculty.  
*^It is the responsibility of Sports Rep and/or team captains to ensure their team maintain the appropriate number of players on the field. Competition officials reserve the right to disqualify any team that does not fulfill team formation requirement.*

#### EQUIPMENT AND ATTIRE

- Tennis balls will be provided; **all players will provide their own racquets (i.e. BYO racquet).**
- No equipment is provided for team practice and warm up.
- Appropriate active wear is encouraged; team uniforms are not compulsory and same colour team shirts are recommended. Bibs may be provided.
- Joggers and runners are acceptable; enclosed footwear must be worn.
- Sunscreen will be provided; BYO sunscreen and sun protection attire is encouraged.

#### FORMAT/RULES

- It is a knockout/Round Robin DOUBLES competition.
- **No umpire will be provided; all teams must score their own games.**
- Results will be reported to competition desk upon completion of each match (i.e. at the club house area)
- **All matches are played on honour and honest system.**
- Modified Fast 4 Tennis format will be used:
  - First to 4 games wins the match (e.g.: 4-3;4-2;4-1;4-0), *normal let*
  - Short Deuce, i.e. next point win with no-ad scoring when it is Deuce.
  - First to 5 points in tiebreak at 3 games all; 2 points serving each; change ends once after 4 points.
- Substitution can be made between games or when injury occurs.
- Specific game rules can be referred in [ITF Tennis Rule](https://www.itftennis.com/media/7221/2022-rules-of-tennis-english.pdf) (<https://www.itftennis.com/media/7221/2022-rules-of-tennis-english.pdf>) and Tennis Australia's [Fast4Tennis Rule](https://www.tennis.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2016/12/FAST4-Tennis-Information-Sheet.pdf) (<https://www.tennis.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2016/12/FAST4-Tennis-Information-Sheet.pdf>)

#### OFFICIALS & MISCONDUCT

- Game officials' or event organiser's calls are final.
- Only team captains or an Interfac Sport Rep from each team are permitted to seek clarification of a decision directly from game officials or event organiser in a courteous manner. An approach may only be made when the ball becomes dead or at the discretion of the game officials or event organisers.
- Misconduct will include but not be limited to:
  - ❖ Poor sportsmanship

- ❖ Fighting, assault or unnecessary roughness
- ❖ Vilification of any kind
- ❖ General offensive behaviour such as excessive use of foul language
- ❖ Mistreatment of equipment
- ❖ Dishonesty
- ❖ Interference in game play by non-active person (e.g. spectators, reserved players)
- Any abuse or misconduct directed at game officials or other players, or on officials' decisions can result in offending players being asked to leave the court.

#### **WET WEATHER POLICY**

- In the case of wet weather resulting in ground closure by the SUSF's Grounds Team, the fixture will be moved to wet weather back up facilities or the event would be cancelled.
- Interfaculty Sport Mixed Badminton Competition's rules apply before the tennis competition commences.