

METROPOLITAN YESHIVA HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS RULES

TEAM RULES:

1. For each set of matches, seven players constitute a team. There may be no repeats in the lineup. (3 singles players and 2 doubles teams.)
 - 1.1 All teams will be required to post both a team roster and team lineup to the league website as enumerated in preseason emails. All players on a roster must be ranked 1 thru whatever # of players you have on the team. The best available player available on your roster for each competition must play #1 Singles, next best #2 Singles, next best #3 Singles then the next 4 play in the Doubles slots. All players must be honestly ranked!! No lineup will save without available players being properly ordered based on their rank on the team roster. If a coach assesses the need for a change in the ranking order of his roster during the season he/she must contact the commissioner directly. No player may compete unless he/she is officially ranked on the website roster.
 - 1.2 Rosters must be submitted before each team's first match & no later than the deadline stated in preseason emails. **No team is permitted to compete without submitting an approved roster. Failure to submit the roster by the time you play your first match will result in a forfeit of the first contest.**
 - 1.3 Individual game lineups must be submitted no later than the scheduled game time. Access to the lineup area of the website will be restricted as soon as game time arrives.
Failure to submit a match lineup will result in a forfeit for each such contest.
2. Each team is required to bring full complement of 7 players to each set of matches or a forfeit fee of \$250 will be charged to the shorthanded team. (In case of an emergency a once per season emergency waiver will be granted to a team who can only bring 6 players. In that instance that team will still be able to compete for a team victory in the other 4 matches scheduled for that day/evening. Even in the case of a team forfeit the league encourages all schools to play out all possible matches as exhibitions. In such cases even though the results of those matches will not impact the win/loss record of either team (because a forfeit has already been awarded), at least some kids will get to play!

MATCH RULES:

- 1. A match is the best 3 out of 5 contests, with each contest being a 10 game PRO-SET with ADS. The contest must be won by two games, UNLESS THE 90 MINUTE TIME SLOT RUNS OUT PRIOR TO THE MATCH ENDING.**
- 2. If a match reaches 10-10, then a 12 point tie breaker is played (which must be won by two points) to determine the winner.**
- 3. No new game can be started with less than 10 minutes remaining in court time. (Example: Team “A” leads 8-5 with 9 minutes to go in the match and a game just concluded. No new game may be started and Team “A” is declared the winner of that contest.) Exception: Team “A” leads 8-7 and must win by 2 games. One more game is played with NO-AD scoring. If Team “A” wins, they win the match 9-7. If Team “B” wins the game, then the match is tied 8-8 and a Tiebreaker must be played.**
- 4. The maximum warm up time prior to a match is 10 minutes including serves.**
- 5. Before each match, the coaches, along with their players should meet with the opposing team coach and players to remind the players of the following:**
 - A. They are playing a 10 game pro-set with ads**
 - B. The coaches will inform the players when one hour and fifteen minutes has passed and that there are 5 minutes remaining before no new games can be started.**
 - C. The player serving must clearly state the score to that point in the match before the first serve of that game, and the score of the game before each serve in that game. If there is a question whether the score called out is correct (or any other issues such as line calls, etc.) the coaches must be called over to help clear up the problem.**
 - D. Please remind all players that they are expected to behave in an appropriate manner both on and off the court. This includes, but is not limited to – good sportsmanship, use of foul language, and all actions that are considered not in the spirit of a tennis match.**
- 6. Only the coaches are permitted to talk to the players during the match and this can only occur during changeovers at odd games. The time for communications is limited to 60 seconds. Only during these conversations will the coaches be permitted to be on the court. At all other times the coaches remain outside the court area.**

- 7. Spectators (including fellow team players, family, friends and teachers) are not to enter the court area at any time once the match has started until the match is over and the contestants shake hands. The spectators at outdoor courts must remain outside the boundary fences surrounding the court. At indoor facilities spectators may ONLY watch matches from viewing areas either above or outside the courts.**
- 8. Line calls are the responsibility of the players playing the match!!! Players should endeavor to make these calls as fairly as possible without interference from their coaches or spectators.**
- 9. Each school will supply 3 cans of tennis balls for each 90 minute 5 match competition. Each individual match will be allotted 1 can with 1 extra can to be kept on hand just in case any replacements become necessary.**
- 10. The coach of the winning team must login to the website to enter all scores within 12 hours of the completion of each competition. The Score of how many games were won by each school should be entered in the boxes next to the name of each school (either 5 to 0, 4 to 1 or 3-2). Individual game scores should be entered in the rectangular area just below the words "Enter Individual Matchup Scores" Those individual match scores should be entered in the format explained below with that night or day's winnings school's scores always listed first even if they lost a match or two. Singles 1 always gets entered first, then singles 2, then singles 3, then doubles 1, then doubles 2. For example if the winning school loses singles 1 & 2 but wins the other 3 matches the scores of the individual games would be entered just like this.....(just like volleyball scores are entered!)**

5-10, 6-8, 10-3, 9-7, 10-5

Best of luck on another successful season!!!