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Please remember that you are **NOT** here to:

- Umpire
- Keep score
- Coach
- Make line calls
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How to be the Perfect Team Manager

1. Ensure you have a good understanding of the rules of interclub tennis.

2. Always travel to your scheduled venue even when it rains as Auckland weather changes quickly.

3. Ensure your team arrives at least 15 minutes early and warms up, off-court if necessary.

4. Encourage inexperienced players to call out the score after every point so they don't forget.

5. Correct the behavior of your own players if they are breaking rules or the spirit of the game.

6. Ensure there is no coaching or interference with players once matches have started.

7. Ensure your matches finish on time by encouraging 'fast play' between points and games.

8. Record your results and all players' full names in both manager's handbooks and enter the result within 48 hours of completion.

9. Complete make-up matches before the last game of the season.

Are You Ready to Play?



1. Always wear shorts/skirts with pockets, or a ball clip, as collecting and picking up balls slows down the game.

2. Be punctual and arrive at least 15 minutes before your scheduled match and be ready to play.



3. Make sure you have sunscreen and a hat on and a water bottle before going on court to play.

4. Do not swear and never throw or swing your racquet in anger.



5. Change ends quickly and jog to collect balls ready to serve.



6. Don't run across another court in the middle of a rally. Wait until the point has finished.

7. Roll balls into the corner or to the back of the next court, not onto the court where a player could trip and fall.



8. If you are in any doubt over a line-call on your side, you must give your opponent the benefit of the doubt and call the ball in.

9. Praise your opponent's good shots and shake hands at the end of a match.



10. Play every point to the best of your ability, no matter what the score.

Are You a Good Supporter?



Dear Friends & Whanau

PLEASE....

1. Do not make any line calls during my match.
2. Encourage me during a game, but do not give me coaching tips
3. Always communicate in English to avoid arguments about 'what is said'.
4. Treat me and my opponent with the same respect, using correct and proper language at all times.
5. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of fellow parents, team managers and spectators.
6. Understand that final team decisions and disputes are to be resolved by the Team Manager.
7. Set a good example by praising both me and my opponent for our good shots.
8. Never punish or belittle me for losing or making mistakes.
9. Focus on my efforts and performance rather than results.
10. Be a positive role model for me and all young players having fun and aspiring to improve.



QUICK GUIDE TO INTERCLUB MATCHES

For more information please read the full interclub rules in this Handbook.

TNR Junior Interclub Rules 2024/25 page 41

- 1) Each captain/manager must fill in his/her team in full (First name and Surname) correctly, before copying the opposition team into their interclub booklet – prior to the start of the first match.
- 2) Double check your draw prior to your contest to confirm venue as this may be changed at anytime due to unforeseen circumstances.
- 3) All matches should start at the time indicated on the draw. Teams should arrive 15 minutes early to warm-up (off court, if the courts are in use) and be ready to play at the allocated time.
- 4) The playing order stated in the rules must be followed. Teams should do their best to accommodate each other and play within the spirit of the game.
- 5) All players must wear attire that allows ball storage whilst serving.
- 6) The interval between the 1st & 2nd matches on a particular court should not exceed five minutes including the hit-up which is limited to three minutes. Where a player who has just completed a match and is immediately required for another, the interval between matches must not exceed 10 minutes, including the 3-minute hit up.
- 7) The latest finishing time will vary with each venue. Players should respect venue rules, particularly in regard to light restrictions. Every endeavour must be made to complete all matches on time.
- 8) Any matches not completed on a given day must be completed as soon as possible at a time arranged by the Team Captains/Managers. They may be played at the Albany Tennis Park, Forrest Hill or on club courts. To book Albany Tennis Park or Forrest Hill courts e-mail admin@tennisnorthern.co.nz.
- 9) Only those courts assigned on the draw should be used as vacant courts may be booked by another group. Please check vacant court availability before use.
- 10) It is recommended that valuable items be taken onto court by players rather than leaving them in cars.
- 11) Avoid defaulting contests. In Junior Interclub, no penalty is in place but a default is very disappointing for the opposing team. A 'no show' is rude behaviour. If a team has less than 4 players, as a courtesy, advise the opposing manager as early as possible.



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FAQs ABOUT INTERCLUB, Match Hub Rankings, DRAWS & HOW TO ENTER INTERCLUB RESULTS

How do I find out my interclub draw?

1. Go to www.tennisnorthern.co.nz.
2. Click on Interclub Links. (Right side of home page)
3. Click on Junior Interclub Draws and Points Table.
4. Find your grade and click on the appropriate link.
5. You must check the website regularly for changes to your draw i.e. the night before you play. Tell ALL your team members to do the same so they are aware of any changes.

How do I enter my team's interclub results?

If you are the winning team you must enter your results into Match Hub Rankings within 48 hours of the game being played. However any player (from either the winning or losing team) who has been listed as an interclub recorder can enter the result. To be listed as an interclub recorder your email address must be listed under your Match Hub Rankings code on the Match Hub Rankings system.

1. Connect to the Internet.
2. Go to www.tennis.org.nz/resultslogin.asp or, look for the [Captain's login](#) link under Interclub Links on the TNR homepage www.tennisnorthern.co.nz
3. You will see a Login window. Enter the Match Hub code and password of the junior player (not the manager's match hub code) and click Login. If you do not have a password, or have forgotten it, then click the Request New Password button. If an error message appears please email admin@tennisnorthern.co.nz with your player code, name of team and club as your email address might be missing or incorrect on the Match Hub Rankings system.
4. After logging in you must select the Competition, the Grade, then Interclub Round Number and opposition team from the drop down list. Click the **capture result** button.
5. Next you will see the Interclub Results window. Enter your match results. There is a Help button that provides instructions. Once entered, click the update button to submit the results.
6. The contest result and points are calculated automatically, unless it is a draw. If it is a draw, please manually enter the total sets won by each team. If the number of sets are even, then enter total games won for each team. Any errors will be highlighted in red. If you cannot find a player, or have any problems that you cannot fix, write a note for the administrator in the box at the bottom of the screen then click the update button. The results will be saved even if they are incomplete or have errors. After completing the results click the Exit button. The administrator will adjust point calculations if required.
7. Use the Display Points Table button to see the current standings and review any match result. You may see 0-0 on the table if you entered a draw result. The points will be allocated by the administrator.



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I requested a password but it says my email is not registered?

This means that for some reason your email is not in the system. How to register your email: send an email to admin@tennisnorthern.co.nz and ask for your email to be registered for Match Hub Rankings. You will need to say which club and team you play for.

I requested a password but it has not arrived in my inbox?

If the email address you registered is a hotmail, gmail, yahoo or similar account the response from Match Hub Rankings may be sitting in your Junk Mail Inbox. If you still can't find the password, your address in the system may be wrong. Please contact admin@tennisnorthern.co.nz to have it corrected or updated.

Our opposition defaulted but we have not been awarded any points?

Senior and Junior Interclub default points are based on your team's average for the season and they can only be calculated once all contests have been played. This will be at the end of the season.

Do I have to enter the results every week? And can someone else from my team enter them?

It is the responsibility of the winning team to enter the results, but if you notice the result is missing, you (as the losing captain/manager) can still enter that result. If you would like someone else to enter the results you will need to give them your code and password or email admin@tennisnorthern.co.nz to have their email address linked to your Match Hub Rankings code. They will then have to request another password. All players with their email attached to their Match Hub Rankings code will be able to record results for the team in which they play.

You cannot use your player code to enter results for teams which you do not play for.

I can't find a player in our team or the other team?

If the player you are looking for does not appear in the drop down list of team players, click on the FIND button to do a search of their surname. If their name appears click on it and it will appear in grey under the appropriate box. If their name does not appear write a note for the Administrator in the box at the bottom of the screen giving player's full name and position played. Don't forget to search all clubs as some players may have a player code from another club if they play for more than one club.

When I go to enter the results it won't let me in?

Match Hub Rankings will not let you in once a result has been recorded. Even though you are the winning team sometimes your opposition may have already entered the result. You cannot go back in to correct results once they have been submitted. If you need to have something corrected you must send an email request to admin@tennisnorthern.co.nz with the name of the competition, grade, team and opposition and the details requiring change.

What are Match Hub Rankings?

Match Hub Rankings is a Grading List of all competitive tennis players in New Zealand. All players, regardless of age, are in the same list however there are separate lists for males and females.

You can use Match Hub Rankings to search for the best players in your age group, club, association, region or nation.

Match Hub Rankings gradings are based on results in head to head matches. The number of points a player has denotes their Grade on a scale of one to twelve where one is best. Each Grade encompasses a range of about 300 points (see Gradings Table below).

Male Grade	Points	Female Grade	Points	
12	0-299	12	0-199	
11	300-599	11	200-399	
10	600-899	10	400-599	
9	900-1199	9	600-799	
8	1200-1499	8	800-999	
7	1500-1799	7	1000-1199	
6	1800-2099	6	1200-1499	
5	2100-2399	5	1500-1799	
4	2400-2699	4	1800-2099	
3	2700-2999	3	2100-2399	
2	3000-3599	2	2400-2999	
1	3600+	1	3000+	Reserved for WTA and ATP ranked players.

A player who loses their Pro ranking will be dropped to S2.

A Player's position in the Grading table is based on results in Interclub and Tournament matches.

A Player moves up a grade when their points reach the next band level. After promotion a player receives 2 months immunity from being downgraded (except for grade 1). A player moves down a grade if their points drop below the bottom of their current band. However if the player has immunity then the player will instead be placed at the bottom of their current grade. Immunity lasts for 2 months after a grade promotion.

How do I get on Match Hub Rankings?

You need a Match Hub Rankings Player Code. This is a 6-7 character code that uniquely identifies you. It has the format NHNCR2F where NH = your Association (in this case North Harbour), NC = your Club (in this case Northcote), and R2F = your initials (in this case RF is Roger Federer). Having a number in your code (as above) means that more than one player at your club has the same initials as you. Therefore Roger is the 2nd RF at his club.

Tennis Northern will assign Match Hub Rankings player codes based on point recommendations from your club. Please contact your club secretary to create a code. Codes are transferred if you move club or region.

Is there a minimum age to be in Match Hub Rankings?

No – but results are generally only counted from events open to 10 year olds or older. So an 8 or 9 year old could be in Match Hub Rankings if they are playing in 10u events.

Am I in Match Hub Rankings already?

Go to www.tennis.org.nz and search for your name. You can also search the list by Grading, Association, Club, and Age group. Also view your own match history or that of your friends and opponents.

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The TNR Interclub Manager will assign Match Hub Rankings player codes based on point recommendations from your club. Please contact your club secretary to create a code. Codes are transferred if you move club or region.

Do I have to start at the bottom Grade?

No – you will be assigned a starting Grade, based on a club recommendation that places you at a level relative to your ability. Thereafter, actual match results will gradually move you up, or down, to your correct position.

What results count towards my Grading?

All results count from tournaments on the Regional and National Calendar, including consolation events that are run using Tournament Planner. Results from matches between New Zealand players in overseas events are also captured (eg ATP, WTA and ITF).

Results from regional and club events can also be included when they have been flagged as counting towards Match Hub Rankings. National Teams events as well as many inter-provincial teams events are captured, also Interclub competitions run using the Match Hub Rankings Interclub system will count. The more matches you play then the more accurate your Grading will be.

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Mixed Gender Matches

Mixed gender matches can count towards Match Hub Rankings. Mixed gender matches are common in rural areas of the country where playing numbers are low, or in starter tournament play.

What about Doubles matches?

Match Hub Rankings also calculates Doubles Gradings - based only on results from Doubles and Mixed matches. You do not have to have both a Singles and Doubles grading. It just depends on what competitive tennis you play. Match Hub Rankings maintains Doubles gradings using the same formula as for Singles. In Doubles matches, the average of each partnership's points is used to determine whether Grade Wins are won or lost.

How often are Gradings recalculated?

Match Hub Rankings gradings are recalculated on the 15th and last day of each month, or first workday thereafter. The recalculation takes all new match results and processes them in date order. The Match Hub Rankings website is updated immediately.

Can I play Interclub or Tournaments without a Player Code?

You must have a Player Code otherwise your results cannot be included in Match Hub Rankings. It is important to always include your Player Code when entering a Tournament.

What if I play for two clubs?

You have to nominate a home Association and Club that will be used for your Match Hub Rankings code. You can use the same code even if you play interclub for another club. This is so that all your results contribute to your grading.

What about privacy?

The only personal details shown on the website are name, association and club. Players may also request that their playing history be blocked from public view. Contact your Association to request this option.

Where can I find out more information about Match Hub Rankings?

The Tennis New Zealand website contains the latest information.
www.tennis.kiwi and www.tennis.kiwi/compete/match-hub/

ITF World Tennis Number (WTN)

Interclub matches that are entered into Match Hub (www.tennis.org.nz) will NOT be counted for your WTN ranking. Only events that are run using Tournament Planner will be counted for your WTN ranking. More information on the WTN can be found at <https://tennis.kiwi/compete/wtn/>

How to Score a Game of Tennis – Beginners Guide

In the game of tennis – A match is made up by sets, a set is made up by games and a game is made up by points.

Match

A match can consist of:

1. The best of 2 sets, with a 3rd set tiebreak to 7 points if required at 1 set all (commonly used in junior tournaments when playing lots of matches over a short time).
2. The first to 2 sets (most common in senior tennis).
3. The first to 3 sets (this is used in major professional tournaments).
4. Junior matches will often be even shorter in length, as time, age and ability allow. These will often be played as the best of 2 shortened sets, with a 3rd set tiebreaker to 7 points, if required at 1 set all. This gets players used to 'resetting their frame of mind' for a new set, as they would have to in senior matches.

Set

A set is completed when one of the players wins 6 games by a margin of 2 or more games. Therefore, the score would be 6-1, or 6-2, or 6-3, or 6-4, but not 6-5. It could be 7-5 (because a player won by a margin of two games). Should the score go to 6 games all, a tiebreaker to 7 points would be played to determine the winner of the set.

For shortened matches, a set is the first player to win 4 games with a 2 game advantage (4-2 or 5-3). If the score goes to 4-4 then a 7 point tie break is played.

Game

The most difficult part of scoring in tennis is the game. Points make up a game. The first person to win 4 points (by a margin of two or more) is the winner of the game.

A point is scored when a player hits a winner or past the opponent, makes an error, or forces the opponent to make an error. The points are scored in this manner:

0 = Love
1st Point = 15
2nd Point = 30
3rd Point = 40
4th Point = Game

In scoring, the server's points are always called first. For example, if the server wins the first point the score would be 15-love. If the receiver wins the first point, the score would be Love-15.

When the score becomes 3 points all (tied 40-40) the score would be 'deuce'. The next point won after deuce would be one of the players 'advantage'. It might be stated 'your advantage' or more formally stated 'advantage Miss Williams'. Some players might say advantage server or advantage receiver. All of these methods are acceptable means of calling the score in an

advantage situation.

The next point won after the player's 'advantage' would be either 'game' or 'deuce' again. Deuce, advantage server, deuce, advantage receiver can go on indefinitely until one player wins by a margin of two points.

Some matches (in particular doubles) will have a sudden death deuce rule, meaning that at the 2nd deuce the next point decides the game. The receiver or receiving pair get to choose which side the server serves to. Sudden death deuce is often used when time is short, however event rules will dictate if this scoring variation is applicable.

The Tiebreaker

The tiebreaker is played if the players reach 6 games all (in a best of three sets match) or as indicated in the competition rules. The next player to serve (Player A) will serve the first point from the right side. The next two points will be served by player B beginning from the left side, then the right.

The fourth and fifth points will be served by Player A beginning with the left, then the right. The sixth and seventh point is served by Player B beginning with the left side again. This goes on indefinitely until either player wins 7 points, by a margin of 2 or more. It is possible for the score to be as high as 21-19, because a player must win by two points or more to win the tiebreaker. After each six points of the tiebreaker, the players should switch ends of the court.

The Super Tiebreaker to 10 points is often played instead of the 3rd set to decide the match winner when the time is limited.



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Northern Region Tennis Academy & Development Squads

The Academy is the Regional Performance Centre for the whole of the North Shore and Northland region, and since its formation in 2001 has had great success in producing champions.

In recent years the Academy can boast National Champions, Junior Davis Cup and Fed Cup players, NZ Junior Age group Team Members and US University Scholarship athletes. The Academy is based at the Albany Tennis Park.

Our philosophy at the Academy is to not only to produce champions on the court but also off it. With tennis being an individual sport with no outside influence once the player steps out onto the court, we strive to develop independent thinking players that are able to cope with the stresses of match play on their own. We aim to teach all of our players a strong work ethic and a disciplined nature that will help them become successful on the court in order for them to achieve both their tennis and life goals.

The Academy Squads run throughout the week Monday to Saturday, both before school at 6:30-8:00am and after from 4:00-7:00pm. Academy and Development squads cater for players between 6-18 years old who are motivated to learn, committed to Tennis, play tournaments regularly and have high tennis goals.

The inclusion and transition from one squad to the next is based on the following factors:

- Potential for the future - based on Academy Coaches assessment
- Current ability level
- Match Hub Ranking and tournament schedule commitment
- Commitment and dedication to the programme – both on and off the court
- Work ethic and mental discipline within squads

Academy coaching aims to bring together the best players in the region to train as an elite group and push each other to achieve more. Academy sessions should work in addition to club coaching, private lessons, physical training, matchplay and a balanced diet for athletes to realise their potential.

If you are interested in joining the Regional Academy, or wish to find out more, please contact Gayle Vaughan (Programme Manager) at tennismanager@tennisnorthern.co.nz or call 09 414 5530

Junior Tournaments Guide

To keep up to date with tournaments and other tennis events taking place at your club and around the region ask your club coach or check out the TNR website.

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Regional Open Tournaments are the next step up and will expose players to opponents from across the greater Auckland area and other parts of the country.

There are four Northern Regional Open Tournaments held at either Albany Tennis Park or Forrest Hill Tennis Centre during every school holidays. Junior Summer Championships (January), Autumn Championships (April), Winter Championships (July) and Spring Championships (September/October).

Regional Tournaments also take place at the Thomas Neale Memorial Park, Winger Crescent, Whangarei.

Hot Shots Tournaments for younger players (10 and under) using age-appropriate low pressure balls, smaller racquets and smaller courts. These Tournaments are run locally throughout the year at various venues. Open to players of all abilities.

Visit Tennis New Zealand's Tournament Calendar <http://tnz.tournamentsoftware.com/> to find events.

Match Hub Rankings and the ITF WTN (the National grading system for competitive tennis) is a great tool in getting young players interested as they can monitor their improvement and see how their friends have been getting on too. A brief explanation of how Match Hub Ranking points work can be found in this booklet. For more detailed information on Match Hub Rankings visit www.tennis.kiwi

TNR Academy coaches monitor interclub and tournament results to invite players for Regional Academy trials. Regional standard players can test themselves against the country's top age group players at the **12u, 14u, 16u and 18u National Championships**. National age-group tournaments are held in December each year at venues around the country.

For more information about Junior Tournaments of all levels please contact

admin@tennisnorthern.co.nz, talk to your club coach, or take a look at the tournament links on the TNR website.

Check out the link below for information on upcoming tournaments all over New Zealand through <http://tnz.tournamentsoftware.com/>

Looking After your Tennis Centre at Forrest Hill

admin@tennisnorthern.co.nz

Please ensure that the Forrest Hill Tennis Centre is cared for in the same way your own club would be and thank you for making interclub in the Northern Region a great success!

- The Forrest Hill facility has a **no rubbish policy** and bins will not be available. Please take away any rubbish you bring to the centre such as drink bottles, ball cans, food containers etc.
- The Clubhouse and Proshop are being demolished before replacement, as such there is no access. Please note there may be restricted access while works are underway. Porta loos are available onsite and there is access to drinking water
- All floodlights will go off automatically at 10.30pm.
- Please respect our neighbours by finishing on time and keeping noise to a minimum. Remember our floodlights are lighting up their houses 4-5 days a week, almost all year round. A security guard will come to double-check the facility at 10:30pm.
- Please note that video cameras are installed throughout the Forrest Hill Tennis Centre.
- Thank you in advance for keeping our facility clean and safe from vandalism and theft.
- **Please respect and do not interfere with ongoing necessary court maintenance.**

Health and Safety Information at Forrest Hill Tennis Centre

GENERAL

All players must wear appropriate clothing and footwear on the courts and check if the courts are suitable for play. If you find a problem with the court or equipment please do not use them until the problem has been rectified. Inform a member of the Facility or TNR staff as soon as possible in the event that a problem cannot be rectified. Email admin@tennisnorthern.co.nz TNR will then take the necessary steps, so far as practicable, to address the issue.

WHAT TO DO IN AN EMERGENCY

Notices advising of what action to take in case of an accident/incident are on display by the front gate.

There is no public telephone at Forrest Hill Tennis Centre, therefore ensure that you have a means of contacting the emergency services should the need arise. Details of FH's exact location are on display on the notice board.

It is your individual responsibility to inform your club team mates, team manager and/or opponents if you have any known medical condition that may require immediate assistance.

FIRST AID KITS AND DEFIBRILLATOR

First Aid kits and a defibrillator are located inside the clubhouse.

CHILDREN

Children using the facilities do so subject to appropriate parental permission. Parents have a duty to inform those adults supervising children during Interclub of any relevant health information in relation to their child. Parents also have a responsibility to ensure that their child behaves in an appropriate way and does not do anything which may endanger themselves or other users.

SAFETY RULES AND COURT ETIQUETE

- Spectators to stay outside of the fenced court playing area.
- Do not sit on the top rail of the spectator seating – use only the benches provided.
- Clear any loose balls on court.
- No glass drink bottles on the court, no bikes, skate boards, roller shoes or stiletto high heels.
- No dogs on courts, no chewing gum, no smoking.
- Take extra caution when using the umpire chair. No children under 12 are allowed on the umpire chair.

SUN/HEAT SAFE

Wear appropriate sun protection (hat, sun screen, sun glasses) on and off courts. Keep hydrated.

CAR PARK

The car park is not exclusively provided for users of the tennis centre and is used by others. It is also the access for Badminton North Harbour's playing facility.

Health and Safety Information at Albany Tennis Park

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Notices advising of what action to take in case of an accident/incident are on display by the entrance doors and in the pro shop.

There is no public telephone at Albany Tennis Park, therefore ensure that you have a means of contacting the emergency services should the need arise. Details of ATP's exact location are on display on the notice board.

It is your individual responsibility to inform your club team mates, team manager and/or opponents if you have any known medical condition that you have that may require immediate assistance.

FIRST AID KITS AND DEFIBRILLATOR

First Aid kits are located in the Pro Shop, TNR office and the Café.

A Defibrillator is located inside of the centre building on the ground floor corridor opposite the changing rooms.

CHILDREN

Children using the facilities do so subject to appropriate parental permission. Parents have a duty to inform those adults supervising children during Interclub of any relevant health information in relation to their child. Parents also have a responsibility to ensure that their child behaves in an appropriate way and does not do anything which may endanger themselves or other users.

SAFETY RULES AND COURT ETIQUETE

- Spectators to stay outside of the fenced court playing area.
- Do not sit on the top rail of the spectator seating – use only the benches provided.
- Clear any loose balls on court.
- No glass drink bottles on the court, no bikes, skate boards, roller shoes or stiletto high heels.
- No dogs on courts, no chewing gum, no smoking.
- Take extra caution when using the umpire chair. No children under 12 are allowed on the umpire chair.

SUN/HEAT SAFE

Wear appropriate sun protection (hat, sun screen, sun glasses) on and off courts. Keep hydrated. Water fountains are available on the walkways between courts.

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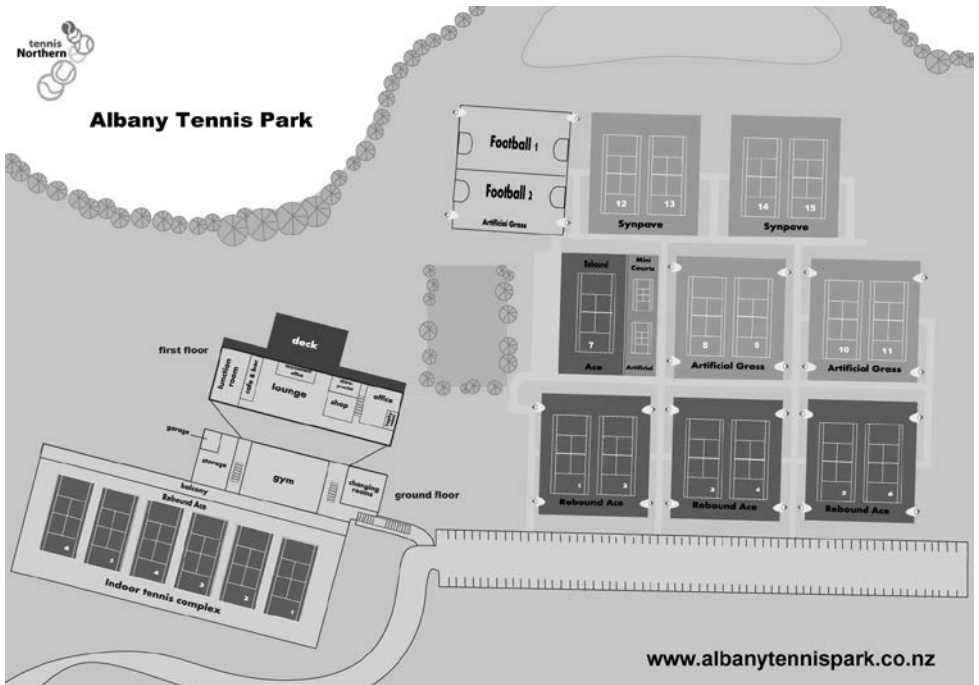
Please take extra caution when you drive in and out of carpark. Never exceed 10km/hour speed limit. Be aware of people, especially children around the parked cars.

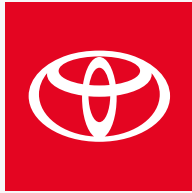
Do not park on the corner of the driveway nor grassed area.

Health and Safety at club, school and other sport facilities

New Health and Safety regulations require that all facilities put the H&S policies into place and that these are readily available to all users, which include Interclub teams.

The Health and Safety policy for each facility takes account of its own specific circumstances. Please refer to the club, school or the sport facility's information usually available on their website.





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Self Umpiring Tennis Rules - FAQs

- All calls on your side of the net are your responsibility (i.e. you cannot ask an opponent for a let because you do not agree with their call). If you have any doubt as to whether a ball is in or out, you must give your opponent the benefit of the doubt and play the ball as good. You should not play a let.
- Any 'out' call must be made instantaneously (i.e. made before either an opponent has hit the return or the return has gone out of play); otherwise the ball continues in play. The call should be made both verbally and by using a hand signal.
- Do not enlist the aid of spectators, including parents, in making calls.
- If a player incorrectly calls a ball 'out', and then realises the ball was good, the player who called the ball 'out' loses the point.
- To avoid controversy over the score, the server should announce the set score (e.g.. 5-4) before starting a game and the game score (e.g. 30-40) prior to serving each point. Game scores must also be recorded on each end change and at the end of each set.
- Always use score boards when available
- You cannot call 'foot fault'. A player could courteously inform their opponent if they appear to be foot faulting repeatedly at change of ends.
- If there is a score dispute, both players should restart play on a previous score they both agree on.
- If a ball hits a permanent fixture (i.e. net post, umpire chair, light post) after the ball has hit the correct court, then the player who hit the shot wins the point. If a ball hits a permanent fixture before the ball has hit the correct court, then the player who hit the shot loses the point.
- If a player hits a shot that lands in the opponent's court, but then spins back into their own court or into the net, the player who hits the shot wins the point.
- A player's racquet may pass over the net after hitting the ball on their own side of the net.
- A player instantly loses the point if any part of their racquet, body or clothing touches the net.
- If a ball or external object (i.e. drink bottle, score sheet, bird) interrupts play at whatever stage in a point, each player has the right to call a let. The point will then begin with the server having a first serve.
- Underarm serving is legal and the server does not need to inform their opponent they are going to serve underarm.
- If play is disrupted for any reason (e.g. rain), the match will resume from the exact score as to when the disruption occurred.
- If a server throws up a ball toss, swings, and fails to contact the ball, the serve is deemed as a fault.

Interclub Team – Contact Details

Please read all interclub rules before you play your first match of the season. Answers to frequently asked interclub questions are available in this interclub handbook and TNR website.

Juniors may play in any order, but where possible should play in order of ability to ensure all matches are as even as possible. This contact sheet is for your reference only.

Club		Match Hub Login	
Competition grade		Password	

Captain

Name	Phone
Player code	email address

Players Use this space for your team players contacts.

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Junior Interclub Rules 2024/2025

The Purpose of TNR Junior Interclub is to provide a platform for competitive and social juniors, that facilitates game development and delivers a positive experience, which will keep juniors playing into adulthood.

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1: TEAM SUBMISSION DEADLINES

- Teams should be entered online no later than Sunday 29th September 2024. No late entries accepted.
- All teams are entered automatically into the Post-Christmas competition unless notified.
- For clubs wishing to enter a NEW team in the post-Christmas competition or make changes to teams, these should be submitted by email to the TNR Interclub Manager no later than 31 December. This gives coaches the opportunity to prepare inexperienced players for interclub.

2: AGE GROUPS

- A player must be a member of a tennis club affiliated to Tennis NZ and must play in his/her own age group based on his/her age as at 30th April 2024 i.e. If a player turns 13 years old on or before **30th April 2025** he/she cannot play 11-12 year grades.
- Only 25% of the team (e.g. 1 player in a team of 4) may play up or down one age group with prior approval from the TNR.
- Players who do play out of their age group do not qualify to reserve in any other grade
- There are four 'age-group' based competitions (9-10 years, 11-12 years, 13-15 years, 16-18 years) and one premier competition (11+) that will be based on ability, rather than age, for juniors playing and training regularly (these players must be consistently winning in the top of their age group).
- A player may be listed in a team for both the age group competition and the premier competition.
- All grade (except Premier) teams are made up of a minimum of four players. Premier grade teams are made up of a minimum of two players.
- 9-10 year teams may be composed of a combination of both boys and girls. All other age groups are separated by gender.

3: MANAGERS

- All teams must have a nominated Team Manager.
- Manager contact details, including name, email address, phone number & mobile phone number, must be included in the online team submission at the time of entering the Interclub Teams. Teams may be withdrawn by TNR prior to the draw without this information.
- A contact number, preferably mobile MUST appear on the interclub draws so matches can be rescheduled in the event of last-minute cancellation.
- Please double check your start time and venue on the interclub draws the night before a match as matches may have to be rescheduled at anytime due to unforeseen reasons.
- For tips on how to be 'the perfect team manager' please check out the poster at your club or on our website www.tennisnorthern.co.nz.

4: MATCH COMPLETION

- Team Managers should work together to ensure matches finish within the set time. Look at ways in which you can encourage players to speed up their play; be it serving, retrieving balls, warm-up, changing ends or resolving conflict.
- If the match time expires or is close to expiring, players should complete the game they are playing. The score (at the end of that game) should be recorded, UNLESS the game score is tied. If the score is tied players should play the first to THREE points (with a maximum of five points played), using regular tiebreak serving. This should be recorded as an extra game.
No match should finish as a draw.

5: ORDER OF PLAY

- **Teams are required to play in order of ability** (which is not always ranking order) to ensure all players have competitive matches, but do not have to be listed as such on the team list. This is to allow players with similar abilities to play in different positions.
- The Manager of each team must list all players, in their playing order for that day, in their interclub booklet, before the first game start.
- One player may be replaced for doubles on the day. The replacement player must play in the same playing position as the player they have replaced. The replacement player must be written on the team sheet at the start of the contest and no alternative/replacement players can be added once the matches have started.
- For doubles the number 1 & 2 players and number 3 & 4 players **must** play together.
- Teams may agree on their own order of play, however if this cannot be agreed then the number 1 & 3 singles will play first, followed by the number 2 & 4 singles, followed by the doubles.
- If only three quarters of the team are available, then you must default your number 4 singles and number 3 & 4 doubles. The other 3 players must move into the 1, 2 & 3 positions.

6: RESULTS SHEETS

- Please record all match results in the Interclub booklet provided. In the event of any disputes your interclub booklet may be requested by TNR. Failure to complete all result sheets may result in rulings going against your team.
- **Player names should be written in FULL (i.e. Rebecca Smith, not just Rebecca)**, as this will help the winning manager to correctly select opposition players, especially reserves, when entering results online.

7: SERVICE

- The choice of service or ends is to be decided by the toss of a coin or the spin of a racquet.
- Underarm serve is legal as long as the player doesn't bounce the ball before hitting it. The server does not have to notify the opponent that they are going to serve underarm.

8: SPECTATORS

- Under no circumstances is the manager, coach or other spectator allowed to make calls as to whether the ball is in or out. Players must **not** enlist the aid of spectators in making calls.
- Spectators must stay off-court, outside of fenced court areas.
- The call (in or out) can only be made by the player on that side of the net.
- If a player is consistently getting calls wrong the team manager of that player should ask them at the next change of ends to pay closer attention to their calls. Team managers should be proactive in ensuring their own players behave appropriately both on and off the court, as they act as ambassadors for your club. Team managers should work together to ensure all players have a fun and fair tennis experience.
- No adults or non-playing team members are permitted to umpire a match, only players who are playing in the match can call lines.
- Team managers (not other parents) and non-playing team members may assist the players with filling out the score sheet and keeping track of the score.
- Players must use scoreboards whenever available.
- Players, especially those in the 9-10 year old and 11-12 year old grades, should call out the score



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after every point to help them keep a track of the score. Team Managers should actively encourage players to score out-loud.

- Players in the 13-15 year old and 16-18 year grades are expected to take greater personal responsibility for their matches and should be able to keep track of their score.
- 'Out' calls should be made instantaneously (i.e. made before either an opponent has hit the return or, the return has gone out of play); otherwise, the ball continues in play. The call should be made both verbally and by using a hand signal.
- If a player incorrectly calls a ball out, then realises that the ball was good, the player who called the ball 'out' loses the point.

9: 9-10 year age grades (players born between 1st May 2014 and 30th April 2016)

- All contests are played on Sundays, starting at 8:30am.
- Grades from A-C or, as dictated by total number of team entries.
- Wilson green low compression balls must be used. Reduced pressure balls will create longer rallies with the rationale being the lower bounce keeps the ball within the 'correct hitting area' for a smaller child. I.e. fewer wild overhead swings, aiding the development of correct technique.
- Green balls should last for several matches, but may need replacing mid-season if wet or lost. Clubs should have a supply of green low pressure balls if required. These can be purchased from the Tennis Northern office.
- The use of regular tennis balls is against interclub rules. Teams using them may lose all points for that tie.
- **Teams should bring one four ball can of green low pressure balls to each interclub match.**
- All singles and doubles matches are the best of 2 shortened sets, with a 3rd set tiebreaker to 7 points, if required at 1 set all. A set is the first player to win 4 games with a 2 game advantage (4-2 or 5-3). If the score goes to 4-4 then a 7 point tie break is played.
- All doubles matches will play with sudden-death at 40-40. This means that at 40-40 the receiving team chooses which side they wish to receive the final serve. The winner of that final point wins the game. A regular tiebreak (to 7 points) is played at 4 games all.

10: 11-12 year age grades (players born between 1st May 2012 and 30th April 2014)

- All contests are played on Saturday mornings starting at 8am or 10.30am.
- Grades are dictated by total number of team entries.
- For contests starting at 8.00am, please ensure your team arrives at 7.45am, to warm-up. The match should start at 8.00am. Getting the first matches started on time is essential to staying on schedule for the rest of the day.
- If starting at 10.30am please arrive at 10.15am to warm-up (subject to courts being available at that time) Players are encouraged to warm-up off-court (by jogging, skipping and stretching, just as they would with netball, football or, rugby) to ensure matches are completed within the allotted time.
- All singles and doubles matches are the best of 2 shortened sets, with a 3rd set tiebreaker to 7 points, if required at 1 set all. A set is the first player to win 4 games with a 2 game advantage (4-2 or 5-3). If the score goes to 4-4 then a 7 point tie break is played.
- All doubles matches will play with sudden-death at 40-40. This means that at 40-40 the receiving team chooses which side they wish to receive the final serve. The winner of that final point wins the game. A regular tiebreak (to 7 points) is played at 4 games all.
- **Teams must use good used regular Wilson tennis balls.**

11: 13-15 year age grades (players born between 1st May 2009 and 30th April 2012)

- All contests are played on Saturday either 10:30am or 1pm.
- Grades are dictated by total number of team entries.
- If starting at 10.30am or 1.00pm please arrive at least 15mins early to warm-up. Players are encouraged to warm-up off-court (by jogging, skipping and stretching, just as they would with netball, football or, rugby) to ensure matches are completed within the allotted time.
- All singles and doubles matches are the best of 2 shortened sets, with a 3rd set tiebreaker to 7 points, if required at 1 set all. A set is the first player to win 4 games with a 2 game advantage (4-2 or 5-3). If the score goes to 4-4 then a 7 point tie break is played.
- All doubles matches will play with sudden-death at 40-40. This means that at 40-40 the receiving team chooses which side they wish to receive the final serve. The winner of that final point wins the game. A regular tiebreak (to 7 points) is played at 4 games all.
- **Teams must use good used regular Wilson tennis balls.**

12: 16-18 year age grades (players born between 1st May 2006 and 30th April 2009)

- All contests are played on Fridays, starting at 5 pm.
- Grades are dictated by total number of team entries.
- All singles matches, are the best of **2 regular sets**. A tiebreak (to 7 points) should be played at 6 games all. At 1 set all a super tiebreak (to 10 points) will be played to determine the winner. All singles games play with normal deuce scoring.
- All doubles matches are the best of, **2 regular sets**, with sudden-death at 40-40. This means that at 40-40 the receiving team chooses which side they wish to receive the final serve. The winner of that final point wins the game. A regular tiebreak (to 7 points) is played at 6 games all.
- At 1 set all a super tiebreak (to 10 points) will be played to determine the winner.
- **16-18A grades must use one pair of new Wilson brand tennis balls for each singles match and best pair for the doubles.**
- **All other 16-18u grades must use good used balls with the Wilson**
- **All teams should have a recognised team manager in attendance and as a point of contact.**

13: PREMIER GRADES

- This grade is open to all junior players between the ages of 11 and 18 years old who are consistently winning in the top grades for their age group.
- Initial grading is decided by the combined Match Hub Rankings points of the two highest ranked players in each team. Tennis Northern reserves the right to amend grade composition as required.
- Once all teams have been entered online, Tennis Northern will split them into appropriate grades.
- All contests are played on Sundays at 11am. If there are not enough courts, matches may be moved to 1.30pm.
- Each team will play 2 singles and 1 doubles match.
- A minimum of 2 players are required each week, but clubs are encouraged to list a minimum of 3 players to play on rotation and cover illness, injury, school commitments and holidays.
- A maximum of 3 players can play each week, with 1 player being replaced for the doubles. Team selection, including the doubles pairing should be recorded in the interclub booklet prior to the start of the contest.
- Teams are expected to play in order of ability.
- All singles matches are the best of, **3 regular tiebreak sets**. All singles games play with normal deuce scoring.

- All doubles matches, are the best of, **2 regular sets**, with sudden-death at 40-40 This means that at 40-40 the receiving team chooses which side they wish to receive the final serve. The winner of that final point wins the game. A regular tiebreak (to 7 points) is played at 6 games all. At 1 set all a super tiebreak (to 10 points) will be played to determine the winner.

*** Warm-up from 10:45-11am. Match must start by 11am.**

- Players have a maximum of 10 minutes rest time between their singles and doubles ties.
- **Teams must use one pair of new Wilson tennis balls, for each singles match and the best pair of balls for the doubles.**

14: RESERVES

- If for any reason a player in a team is unable to play, a reserve may be played. Players can only play for the club they are listed for and may not reserve for another club.
- If a player is not listed in any team but is a registered TNZ club member, they may reserve for one club only
- A player cannot play down a grade, but can reserve up - except a player in the lower premier grades (non- Elite), who is eligible to reserve in an age group **A grade** team if they are within the age limit for the grade.
- Players from 11-12, 13-15 & 16-18 year age grades can reserve up into the Premier grades.
- A substitute player from a lower grade must play below permanent team members unless their Match Hub Rankings grade is higher than the player they are filling in for at the time the game is played.
- Players cannot play out of their regular team more than **3 times** in either the pre or post-Christmas competition. That equates to playing up to a maximum of 6 times across the whole season. Any player who is not listed in a regular team that reserves 3 or more times for that same team, must then be listed in that team.
- If a club has 2 teams in the same grade one permanently listed player can fill-in for the other team each week (but cannot be the same player each week).
- Players given dispensation to play in a grade higher, do not qualify to reserve in their own age group
- If a reserve cannot be obtained then all singles players must move to the highest positions possible in the team, i.e. 1st, 2nd & 3rd singles and 1st doubles. 4th singles & 2nd doubles will be defaulted.
- No 4 person age grade team may play with less than 2 players. A default of the whole contest is not recorded as long as a team fields at least 50% of its players. Premier teams must have 2 players present.
- Players cannot reserve out of their age group for a team if that team already has one player playing with dispensation approved (see rule2) and they may only reserve up one age group.

15: GRADE FORMATS

- Please note – Grades with an even number of teams could have a ‘bye round’ during the season. This is simply due to the number of regional, club and school courts available.
- **8 Teams in grade** – Seven-week round-robin draw. Team with the most points wins the grade. If points are tied, the grade winner will be decided by the head to head result between those teams.
- **7 teams in grade** – As per 8 teams, with a bye round.

- **6 teams in grade** – playoff system shall be used to determine any other positions for promotion and relegation
Tennis Northern try their best to avoid the use of play-off rounds where possible. Where team numbers dictate the necessity to have grades with play-offs, we will use accumulative points systems rather than semi and finals format. The format will be advised at the top of the draw at the start of each season. If Tennis Northern assess that a team has brought in a higher ranked player than usually used, as a reserve for the final rounds to enhance their side, without prior approval from Tennis Northern, this team may forfeit points. All teams will play 7 rounds.
- **5 teams in grade** – This format will be avoided wherever possible, playoff format will be determined by competition administrators
- **4 teams in grade** - This format will be avoided wherever possible, teams to play each other twice in round-robin format.

16: POINTS & GRADE WINNERS

- Premier grades - 1 point for each match won. The team winning the greater number of matches shall receive 1 bonus point.
- All other grades – 1 point for each match won. The team winning the greater number of matches shall receive 1 bonus point. Should the teams win an equal number of matches the winning team is the team which won more sets or if sets are equal won more games. If matches, sets and games are equal neither team will be awarded the bonus point.
- Partially completed matches do not earn a bonus point.
- 1. If player A does not take the court, Player B wins the match 6-0,6-0 (16-18 years and premier grades) / 4-0, 4-0 (all other age grades)
- 2. A 3rd set super tie breaker is counted as 1 set when a set count back is required. If sets are even and a count back of games is required then the super tiebreaker is counted as 1 game. This means the super tiebreaker could potentially have 2 values.
- If 2 or more teams finish on the same number of points at the end of the season head to head results will determine the winner.
- If that result is tied, a count back of sets, then games in that Head to Head will determine the winner.
- If that result is tied, a count back of sets won throughout the season will determine the winner.
- If that result is tied (or not applicable), a count back of games won in a season will determine the winner

17: WEATHER

- If owing to inclement weather, a contest is un-played or unfinished, clubs must play or complete the contest within two weeks of the original tie unless the match result is needed to determine play off draws and then it must be played within 5 days. The responsibility for arranging an alternative date lies with the team managers.
- If club courts are unavailable team managers can email Tennis Northern on admin@tennisnorthern.co.nz to book courts, at Albany Tennis Park or Forrest Hill, at no charge. Simply state the grade, teams involved and agreed date and time and courts will be assigned. Please note, at peak interclub times, court availability will be limited.
- No contest shall be postponed before the scheduled commencement time unless both team managers agree. If a contest remains unplayed, or if no result is entered before the last scheduled match of the season, no points are awarded for that round

18: RESULTS

- To be recorded on Match Hub Rankings within **48 hours** of the match being completed.
- The score should be entered by the manager of the winning team, although either manager can enter the result. If the result has already been entered, Match Hub Rankings will not let the result be added twice. Managers of both teams may be contacted with a reminder if this is not completed.
- Results **MUST** also be written in the Managers booklet and signed by both parties at the end of the match. TNR may call for booklets to be returned if there is a dispute so accurate records are required.
- Please ensure all results are recorded as your contest could determine final grade standing and players will be keenly waiting on them.

19: JUNIORS PLAYING SENIOR INTERCLUB

- Juniors wishing to play senior interclub must be at least **15** years of age on or before the 31st December 2024. Dispensation for younger players will not be considered.
- Junior and senior competitions are considered separate competitions so there are no restrictions on eligible juniors playing both and getting more tennis practice.
- Juniors playing senior interclub are expected to act maturely and behave appropriately.

20: DEFAULTS

- Any team which fails to present 50% of its team members for a contest is liable to default. The following applies:
 - **The team that wins by default receives the average of their total win points (including contests played that earned no points) scored during the season in that grade. These points can therefore only be calculated at the end of the season and will be added at that time.**
- Any team that turns up over 30mins late is deemed to have defaulted that tie unless the opposing team wishes to play.
- If one team is unable to play on the scheduled date, that team will be defaulted. Teams that can field at least 50% of their team (including any eligible reserves) are not liable for default. It is the responsibility of the winning team to notify the TNR Interclub Manager of the default and the average of points earned over the season will be allocated after the final round.

21: CLOTHING & EQUIPMENT

- Proper tennis attire must be worn at all times, including the correct footwear. No black marking soles will be allowed for play on any TNR, school or club courts.
- Players **MUST** have pockets or ball clips for the second ball to speed up the game. Balls should not be left on the court behind them when serving, as this is dangerous and significantly slows down the game.
- Players should ensure they are 'Sun-Safe' and have a hat, sunscreen and water before stepping onto court to play.

22: GRADE WINNERS

- There are two competitions of equal standing – Pre-Christmas and Post-Christmas.
- Grade winners will each receive a club pennant and winners certificate at the end of the interclub season. These can be collected by Junior Organisers at the end of the post-Christmas season for both competitions and be distributed at Club Prizegivings.
- Promotion into Premier Grades is optional as they are played on a different day under a different format.

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- Re-grading will take place after the end of the Pre-Christmas competition. This is frequently a two team up, two team down system, but may result in more/less being promoted or relegated during the Christmas re-grade period if it is deemed appropriate.

23: COURT COURTESY & CONDUCT

- As a courtesy, Tennis Northern ask the following of all players/parents/coaches involved with the junior interclub competition:

Parents/Spectators

- That any communication to a player during a match be in English to avoid any misunderstandings that may otherwise arise.
- Parents should not get involved with any of the players whilst they are on court.
- Parents should not call lines for their child whilst they are playing.
- Parents should treat both their child and their opponent with the same respect.
- Parents must not coach their child whilst they are playing.
- Parents should respect the rights, dignity and worth of fellow parents, team managers and spectators.
- Parents should praise both players for good play and not just the child you are supporting.

Players

- Conduct yourself in a professional manner at all times relating to language, temper and punctuality.
- Care and respect all your equipment and the courts.
- Do not ask for any help from spectators, especially parents or coaches, in making calls, keeping the score or other on-court matters. If you are in any doubt, ask your Team Manager. Players must be courteous to their opponents, do not sulk, stall, complain or practice gamesmanship.
- Ensure all mobile phones be turned off for the duration of the match itself.
- Ensure players have a quick change of ends and jog to retrieve balls prior to their serve.
- Ensure players hold two balls on their person (pocket or clip) when serving to ensure fast play under time limitations.
- Ensure players warm-up off court between matches, are ready to go on immediately and use no more than three minutes to warm-up on court before starting their match.
- If crossing a court to retrieve a ball please wait until the rally has come to an end, excuse yourself, then run, across the court to get it.
- To return a ball to an adjacent court, roll it to the closest back corner of the court at the fence or windbreak. Don't roll it into the playing area as this is both disruptive and dangerous. If the players on the adjacent court have ended their rally simply let them know 'ball coming' and toss the ball to the nearest player.
- When calling a ball, if you have any doubt as to whether a ball is out or good, you must give your opponent the benefit of the doubt and play the ball as good. You should not play a "let".
- Play to your best ability every point.
- Show good sportsmanship, including praising your opponent's good shots, apologising for net cords and shaking hands at the end of a match.

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24: BEHAVIOUR NOT TOLERATED

It is the responsibility of the Team Manager to ensure his/her players behave appropriately on-court and that the game is played to both the rules and in the spirit that it is intended. The following behaviour will not be tolerated during junior interclub matches:

- Turning up late for a match
- Inappropriate/offensive language
- Racquet or equipment abuse
- Parent and spectator interference
- Coaching of a player during a match by a coach, parent or other
- Communicating with players in anything other than English
- Defaulting of matches for reasons other than injury or illness
- Filming and publishing of footage or images online without consent.

Team Managers who wish to complain about misconduct, such as that listed above, should contact their club's Junior Organiser with the following:

- Club and grade they are playing in
- Date of match
- Name of player the complaint refers to
- Which of the above behaviour guidelines were broken

If a Junior Organiser wishes to address the matter further, they should contact TNR.

- After each complaint TNR expects Clubs to take their own disciplinary action to ensure that appropriate behaviour is displayed by all junior ambassadors of their club.

25: COMPLAINTS

- Complaints between teams must be reported back to your club in the first instance.
- There is a standard complaint form available on TNR website www.tennisnorthern.co.nz under Interclub if clubs need to take it further.
- Any complaints or problems concerning nets at schools or TNR courts must be referred immediately to TNR admin@tennisnorthern.co.nz.

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