



# 2017 DUBLIN ADULT TENNIS LEAGUE RULES

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## Locations

School	Address	
Dublin Coffman H.S.	6780 Coffman Rd. Dublin, OH 43017	5 courts
Dublin Jerome H.S.	8300 Hyland Croy Rd. Dublin, OH 43016	5 courts
Dublin Scioto H.S.	4000 Hard Rd. Dublin, OH 43016-8358	5 courts
Grizzell M.S.	8705 Avery Rd. Dublin, OH 43017	5 courts
Karrer M.S.	7245 Tullymore Dr. Dublin, OH 43016	5 courts

## Registration

You may register online, via phone (614) 410-4550, or in person at the Dublin Community Recreation Center (DCRC), located at 5600 Post Road, Dublin, OH 43017. **Registration begins March 20 for Residents & March 28 for Non-Residents.**

If you have never registered in a DCRC program please follow the following steps:

1. Contact the DCRC front desk staff (410-4550) or stop by to establish your household information and online registration User ID and password.
2. Go to <http://dublinohiousa.gov/recreation-services/online-registration/> to register using one of the activity numbers listed below, or visit the DCRC.

Credit card, check and or cash are accepted. Checks must be made out to the City of Dublin.

## Date/Time information

CR=City of Dublin Resident SDR/NR=School-District or Non-Resident

Activity #	Date	Day	Time	CR	SDR/NR Fee
365300.01	June 5 – July 31 (Doubles)*	Mon	6 - 8:30 p.m.	\$55	\$65
365300.02	May 31 – July 26 (Singles)	Wed	6 - 8:30 p.m.	\$55	\$65

## Confirmation of playing week to week

Each week an email is sent out to the tennis league participants requesting the players to R.S.V.P. as to whether they are "IN" or "OUT" for that week. **All players must confirm their playing status via the online form by noon the business day before their match. An e-mail will be sent from the League Administrator requesting this information. A non-response assumes non-participation during that week, but an RSVP is preferred either way.** Once the deadline passes, matchups are put together and sent out to the participants. Many hours are spent determining matches and finding even numbers of players, so once they are sent out, they are final. It makes it extremely difficult to find subs when players cancel after 5pm the day before or on the day of a match. For that reason, please read the cancelation/no show policy below:

- One cancelation or no show after match-ups have been sent results in a one week suspension from the league.
- Two cancelations or no shows after an RSVP of "IN" will result in suspension from the league with no refund.





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## Rain

In the event of rain, matches will not be rescheduled. We have court squeegees available in the event of damp courts. We try not to cancel when it can be avoided. For updates on court conditions and cancellations please call the weather hotline at 614-410-4560. Weather impact is extremely localized and some courts may get rain while others remain dry. Until a rain out is announced, assume there will be matches. The sports hotline will be updated regularly.

## Basic rules

1. The game will be played in accordance with the current USTA rules and regulations. If there are any questions or concerns which cannot be rectified on the court, please see a staff member who will be in possession of the unabridged rules and regulations.
2. Any modifications from current USTA rule and regulations or points of emphasis are listed below. Please see the court captain if any rule modification needs clarification.
3. **All games are self-officiated and tennis etiquette is required.**

## Game, match, and scoring for Doubles Play

Players will play three matches in one evening with each match being 35 minutes in length. Initial matchups are pre-determined by level / past week's results to make the courts as even as possible. At each location, for each match, a timer is set for 35 minutes. At the end of 35 minutes, each player should record their games won on each court. If the timer goes off during a point, finish the point that is in play. If there is a tie when the timer goes off, the next player in line to serve will serve a "next point wins," 1-point tiebreaker. Whichever team has the highest game won count is declared the winner. Winning teams move up a court, losing teams move down a court, and teams split up. The court captain will set the timer to 35 minutes for the second match. After the second set of matches, players should record the games won or lost. Winning teams move up, losing teams move down, and teams split up. The court captain will set the timer to 35 minutes for the third, and final, matchups of the night. At the end of the night, each player will have played with three different partners. Players need to record their individual games won and what court they finished on. Play level / pairings are by level, not by sex. Future week seedings are based on past week performance. We do not use no-ad scoring. A sample of the match format is below:

6:00-6:15pm Warm-ups	7:00-7:35pm Match 2
6:15-6:20pm Break & players report to courts	7:35-7:40pm Break & switch courts
6:20-6:55pm Match 1	7:40-8:15pm Match 3
6:55-7:00pm Break & switch courts	

## Game, match, and scoring for Singles Play

Players will choose who gets to serve first by either flipping the racquet, a coin, rock/paper/scissors, etc. You will play the best of 3 sets against the same opponent each night. The first person to 2 sets wins the match. The league is co-ed so you may be playing against players of the opposite sex. You must change sides of the court after the first game then every odd game after that. If needed, tie-breaks must be played when games in the set are tied 6-6. In the tie break, the scoring goes by 1, 2, 3 etc. not Love, 15, 30, 40. The player who holds serve shall serve the first point of the tie-break game. The following two points shall be served by the other player. After this, each player shall serve alternately for two consecutive points until the end of the tie-break game. In the tie-break you play to 7, win by 2. At the end of your match, write down your score on the clipboard. The clipboard with scores will be collected by our staff and will be used in creating next week's matchups.



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1. Players are responsible for bringing their own racquet(s) which meet(s) USTA standards. **Penn Championship tennis balls are provided for league play. One can of 3 balls is designated for each court and the balls must stay on that court – they do not move courts with the players.**
2. If a player breaks a string, he or she, by rule, may continue to play with such racquet if he or she has no suitable replacement. It is not permissible to suspend a match for a player to retrieve another racquet.
3. Players are responsible for calling their own lines and playing by USTA rules
4. Any point, game, or match played in good faith by both opponents' counts even if an error in game administration has occurred. Once an error is discovered, any subsequent play shall be subject to the correct rules and regulations.
  - a. It is the winning player's responsibility to report the final score to the recreation department's court captain or on the scorer's sheet. Pairing sheets on clip boards are given to each court captain to assign the court locations and partners and announce the warm up and start times for play. Match results are picked up by the City of Dublin staff member at the conclusion of each night.
  - b. If a player signs up for play and does not show up, or arrives more than 15 minutes late, they are suspended from the league for one week. A second offense is permanent removal from the league. This assures full courts and personal responsibility to not negatively impact other players doing their part to maintain a successful league. One no-show kills the flow for all courts at that location.
5. Warm-ups will start at 6:00pm and matches will start at 6:20pm sharp. It is up to the court captain to keep warm-ups and matches on time. There will be a 5 minute break in between each of the 3 matches in doubles play. Singles players may take breaks as needed and as agreed upon by the players.

