

KCJTL Tennis Match Administration

1. **Confirm location** - The home team should contact the visiting team to confirm match location and court availability. It is possible that a home club could host two JTL matches simultaneously. See #6 below.
2. **Team formation** - The top 8 players on the ladder play in the weekly interclub matches. The top 4 players will play singles, the next 4 players play doubles. A total of 6 courts are used.
3. **Number of Games** - Warm-up is 10 min. max. Play a Pro-8 Match (first player or doubles team to win 8 games). Must win by 2 games. A 7-point tie breaker is played at 8-8 tie. Must win by 2 points. More info about playing a tie breaker can be found in the "Rules & Information Manual" or contact your local pro.
4. **Number of Players** - If you have less than 8 players, then the singles players can also play doubles. Position players as follows:
 - For 7 players: Singles #1 - #4; Doubles #4 and #5, #6 and #7
 - For 6 players: Singles #1 - #4; Doubles #3 and #4, #5 and #6
 - For 5 players: Singles #1 - #4; Doubles #2 and #3, #4 and #5
 - For 4 players: Singles #1 - #4; Doubles #1 and #4, #2 and #3
5. **Time Limit** - For players playing both singles and doubles, limit matches to 1 hour (including short warm-up). At the end of 1 hour, a 1 game advantage is considered a win. No tie breaker needed.
6. **Hosting Two Teams** - If a club has 2 teams playing a home match simultaneously, the club must have access to at least 6 courts for 2 hours. Run the matches as follows: Singles #1-#4 for Match A and Doubles #1-#2 for Match B shall be started at 1:00 pm. At the end of one hour, Doubles #1-#2 for Match A and Singles #1-#4 for Match B shall be started.
7. **Substitutions** - If a team does not have 4 available players, they are encouraged to find subs. A sub must be a registered KCJTL player & can come first from a lower age division (that has not played a match already that week) or second from a cross-gender lower age division (that has not played a match already that week). If there are no "eligible" subs, then clubs should use a player who has already played a JTL match that week. This would be considered an "ineligible" sub and the match would be scored as a 4-8 loss. However, this is preferable to a no-show or default. Subs must occur at the bottom of the ladder.

For complete KCJTL Match rules: www.kcjtll.org

At Match Conclusion

1. **Sportsmanship** - Players must shake hands with their opponent at the conclusion of their match.
2. **Game balls** - Return game balls to the home team tennis pro/team coordinator.
3. **Drinks** - The home team is responsible for providing a cold drink for their opponents after the match.
4. **Match Scores** - The home team is responsible for recording players' names and scores and entering them on the KCJTL website.
5. **Sportsmanship Scores** - Both host and visiting teams should rate each other by entering sportsmanship score on the KCJTL website.
6. **Rain Out** - If the match is stopped while in progress due to environmental reasons, the scores should be entered as is (partial score). If the match is rescheduled, then an updated score can be entered by the KCJTL executive director.
7. **Player Retirement** - If the match is stopped due to injury or player request, the game score shall be recorded as is for the injured/requesting player and extended to 8 games for the non-requesting player.

Players' Code of Conduct

1. Bring a new can of tennis balls to each home interclub match.
2. Announce the score loudly and clearly before serving each point.
3. Change the score cards at each change over.
4. Do not foot fault on your serve.
5. When in doubt, give the point to your opponent.
6. Do not stall or interfere with continuous play.
7. Do not complain, yell, curse, or hit or throw your racquet.
8. When a disagreement over the score occurs, go back to the last score you agree upon and resume play from that point.
9. **Do not accept any coaching (even from parents) during a match. If you and your opponent have a question that you cannot resolve, go ask the tennis pro.**
10. Shake hands and congratulate your opponent at the end of the match.
11. If your club hosts the match, treat your opponent to a cold drink after the match.