



Junior rules

1. The management of the League shall be by the Committee.
2. All clubs affiliated to the Association shall be eligible to enter teams in any competition organised by the Association. In addition, a club must be affiliated to the LTA and be an LTA registered venue. All members who play in our league must be LTA Advantage members.
3. All matches played in any competition shall be subject to The Constitution and within the general rules and Code of Conduct of the Lawn Tennis Association of Great Britain.
4. a) Leagues shall be organised in 3 age groups as follows:

Boys 16 & Under	Girls 16 & Under
Boys 14 & Under	Girls 14 & Under
Boys 12 & Under	Girls 12 & Under
- b) Age qualification for all Leagues shall be as follows:
1st September to 31st August
- c) The Committee shall decide the formation in each group.
- d) A Results Secretary shall be appointed from within the Committee.
- e) At every match the home team shall ensure that a responsible adult be present to supervise the duration of the match.
- f) The format of play is:

Each match consists of 2 FAST 4 sets, i.e. the first to 4 games with sudden death deuce. If it goes 3-3 a normal tiebreak to 7 should be played.

Round 1: Player 1 v Player 1 in singles & Player 2 and 3 v Player 2 and 3 in doubles
Round 2: Player 2 v Player 2 in singles & Player 1 and 3 v Player 1 and 3 in doubles
Round 3: Player 3 v Player 3 in singles & Player 1 and 2 v Player 1 and 2 in doubles
- g) Two points are awarded for each set that is won. (8 per round and 24 in total)
5. Qualifications to play in any club team in the League shall be bona-fide membership of that club.

6. No player may play for more than one club in any one league during the season.
7. The Committee will decide whether matches should be home and away or only one fixture against each club in each league. In all cases, the home team shall be responsible for the provision of at least three new Lawn Tennis Association approved balls per court.
8. Matches shall not be postponed except for the following:
 - a) Bad weather prevailing at the home venue at the actual time laid down for starting.
 - b) Unavailability of courts - clubs should make every attempt to hire alternative courts in order to fulfil fixtures if their own are unavailable.
 - c) Any appeal for postponement must be made to Junior Results' Secretary and shall only be granted in exceptional circumstances.
9. Match score-cards must be completed, checked and signed by both team captains. The home team shall be responsible for entering the results online within 8 days of the match taking place.
 - a) Where eight or more sets have not been played (2 rounds), the match shall be rearranged and completed by the end of the season. In such rearranged matches both teams shall start at scratch. Postponed matches must also be completed by the end of the season.
 - b) In the event of a dispute, the matter shall be referred to the Committee whose decision shall be final and binding.
 - c) In bad weather, both teams must turn up to play, unless advised otherwise by the home team.
10. In the case of a match having to be abandoned after play has commenced, the match shall be deemed to have been completed if 8 sets have been completed (2 rounds). The points for the incomplete sets shall be shared as follows:
 - a. If no sets are completed then each single & pair shall receive 2 points.
 - b. If only 1 set is completed (in either singles or doubles) then the winners of that set will receive 2 points and the second set will be shared 1 point each.
11. If any rubber is not played because of default by both teams, that rubber shall be void.
12. Fixture dates and times as entered online will be deemed to be the official dates and times of matches.