

Weekend Singles League Rules and Regulations – Winter 2023/24



1. Match Schedule

1. Players will play every other player in their division only once before 28th April 2024.
2. Each fixture must be played on a Saturday or Sunday in the period stated on the fixture list.
3. If a match cannot be played within the 21 day fixture period, it shall be referred to the organiser to make a decision on whether to postpone or if a match result should be declared.

2. Position Matches

1. Excluding Premier Division, Rounds 6-8 will match players from different divisions based on standings (1st place vs 1st place, 2nd place vs 2nd place, and so on down to 6th place) as of 12 days prior to the start of the Round.

Round 6: Division One vs Division Two

Round 7: Division Two vs Division Three

Round 8: Division One vs Division Three

2. Match Format

1. Each match should be best of 3 sets.
2. The first 2 sets are to be normal sets with a tie-break at 6-6.
3. If the match is tied at 1 set apiece, players may choose to play a tie-break third set OR a champions tie-break (tie-break format to 10 points) to decide the match.
4. As a courtesy to each other, final set format should be decided before starting the match.
5. Matches do not need to be booked on the court booking system, however club sessions, club league matches and Annual Championships matches will take priority if demand exceeds court space with the exception of Wednesday evening singles session.

3. Single Set Shootout

1. Players may agree submit a single tie-break set scoreline, if weather or bad light halts play, or if they agree prior to the match to play only one set. A single set scoreline will be reflected as such in the distribution of points, and for any tie-break procedures in which the match is involved.
2. A player who wins a set prior to their opponent retiring may be awarded a walkover or a single set scoreline at the discretion of the organiser.

4. Ties

1. In the event that both players agree to draw the match for any reason, both players will be credited with a loss.
2. Players will only be awarded games and sets for any completed sets of tennis.

5. Standings

1. If all division fixtures have been completed, standings will be decided by the following criteria in order until all ties are resolved:

- a) Superior win-loss record
- b) Superior win-loss record for matches involving tied players only
- c) Superior Sets +/- for matches involving tied players only
- d) Superior Games +/- for matches involving tied players only
- e) Superior overall Sets +/-
- f) Superior overall Games +/-

2. If there are unplayed division fixtures at the end of the season that haven't been awarded as walkovers, then the following points system will be used to determine standings:

5 points per win 3 points per loss 1 point per set won

Standings will be decided by the following criteria:

- a) Superior points score
- b) Superior win-loss record for matches involving tied players only
- c) Superior Sets +/- for matches involving tied players only
- d) Superior Games +/- for matches involving tied players only
- e) Superior points per game score

6. Results

Once results have been sent to the tournament organiser (either via text to 07548169884 or email to n8tennis@gmail.com), they will be uploaded to the club website for viewing. The validity of results submitted after the tournament deadline will be subject to the tournament organiser. Results submitted after the publication of the final standings will not stand.

<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/ShirleyParkLtc/Events/BoxLeagues>

7. Withdrawals

There is no need to formally withdraw from the competition due to the points system. However, if you know you cannot play any more matches please have the courtesy to notify your remaining opponents, as well as the tournament organiser. Your completed matches will stand.

8. Walkovers

1. Walkovers shall be scored as if the match was forfeited at the first change of ends. The winning player will receive 1 win, 1 set won and 1 game won to go towards their record. The losing player will receive a loss, 1 set lost and 1 game lost to go towards their record.
2. In the event that a player is unable to play a fixture upon request before the final deadline, they are to award their opponent a walkover.
3. In the event that a player notifies the tournament organiser they cannot play any further matches due to injury, remaining fixtures involving that player will be awarded as walkovers to their opponents.
4. In the event where there has been no contact between players, or from one player to the tournament organiser, no walkover will be awarded and the fixture will remain unplayed, resulting in no points awarded to either player.
5. The tournament organiser has final say on any disputes.

Reading the League Table

DIVISION	Wins	Sets for		Sets difference		Games against			Points
	W	L	SF	SA	+/-	GF	GA	+/-	
1 PLAYER 5	3	0	6	0	6	36	14	22	21
2 PLAYER 3	1	1	2	2	0	20	18	2	10
3 PLAYER 6	1	0	2	1	1	14	12	2	7
4 PLAYER 2	0	2	1	4	-3	18	26	-8	7
5 PLAYER 1	0	1	0	2	-2	5	12	-7	3
6 PLAYER 7	0	1	0	2	-2	1	12	-11	3
7 PLAYER 4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Losses

Sets against

Games for

Games difference