

Guidelines for Team Assignments
For Inter-Club Women's League Play

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I. GENERAL

- a. Vancouver Lower Mainland League Tennis is “competitive play” with results submitted to Tennis BC.
- b. *Our aim is to produce the strongest, most competitive teams at all levels.*
- c. Players should be available and committed, either full-time or part-time, to team participation for the duration of the season (late March through June) – “fulltime” can be considered >50% of games; “part-time” <50% of games. Note: this distinction is for Club organization only and is not defined by the League.
- d. Teams typically carry 12-14 players, with the higher division teams having the option of pulling players up from the divisions below during regular season play.
- e. If two teams are competing in the same division, generally there will be an A team and a B team based on competitive ability.
- f. Players must be familiar with, and willing to abide by, the “Tennis BC Women’s League Rules & Regulations”.
- g. All league players are encouraged to participate in the Club ladders, so as to encourage ongoing competitive play throughout the year.

II. PLAYER ASSIGNMENTS TO CLUB TEAMS

- a. Women’s League Coordinators and Team Captains will meet following the regular season and recommendations will be made for team player reassignments for the following season. Movement of players between teams may, or may not occur, depending on player performance.
- b. Coordinators and Captains will poll the club/team membership to determine player commitment for the following season.
- c. Player assignments to club teams will be determined by Coordinators and Captains based on several factors, including:
 - i. Statistical performance from the previous seasons. Players must have performed successfully in the top 2 courts of the lower division in order to advance.
 - ii. Consideration will be given to partnerships/opponents faced.
 - iii. The number of players advancing up the divisions should be roughly matched by the number of players moving down to a lower division.
 - iv. Players identified to move down in the divisions may do so voluntarily, at their own request, or may be asked to do so by the Coordinators/Captains to make room for other players advancing.
- d. If a player wishes to be considered for team advancement, the Coordinators/Captains should be notified prior to the end of the regular season.

The request will be considered by the Coordinators and Captains of all teams involved; and if accepted, a challenge match may be arranged. Challenge matches may NOT be required if players at the higher division are willing to move down to a lower division.

III. CHALLENGE MATCHES:

- a. Players who may be challenged include:
 - i. Players who played the greatest number of league games on Court 4. If more than two players have played the same number of games, then the two players who have the lowest percentage of wins on Court 4 will be open to the challenge.
 - ii. Players listed on Court 3/4 who have not played at all, and thus, no game statistics are available.
- b. Challenge matches will be played in a Round Robin format on 3 separate days and should be completed by **SEPT 30**. [See APPENDIX 1]
- c. The match will be considered defaulted if the opponent is not present within 30 min. of the scheduled time.
- d. Interrupted matches will be re-started from the beginning of the interrupted game.
- e. Neutral players from the higher division may be used to complete the foursome. Neutral players need not be the same for each match in the Round Robin.

IV. NEW PLAYERS OR EX-LEAGUE PLAYERS

- a. New members of TTC and members re-joining League play after an absence of more than one season will begin League play in Division 5, or on the lowest TTC team, unless they are currently ranked, have previous Tennis BC statistics suggesting a higher division is more appropriate, or a certified TTC coach has assessed the player and recommended play at a higher level than Division 5.
- b. TTC players out for one season may challenge back into the division they left.
- c. New TTC players coming from a higher division than what they are applying into, must still challenge into that division.

APPENDIX 1

Challenge Round Robin Involving Four Players

1. Players should be listed alphabetically with each assigned a number.
2. Three sets will be played in the manner below.
3. Each set shall conclude when a doubles team wins 6 games with a tiebreaker at 5 all (score 6-5).
4. Each player scores a point for each game won in each set – see below.
5. Results shall be submitted to the Women’s League Coordinators after each match. Score sheets shall be signed by the competing players.
6. All Round Robins shall be referred to and set up in conjunction with the Women’s League Coordinator.

FORMAT:

	SET 1	SET 2	SET 3
ROUND 1	1&2 VS 3&4	1&3 VS 2&4	1&4 VS 2&3
ROUND 2	1&3 VS 2&4	1&4 VS 3&2	1&2 VS 3&4
ROUND 3	1&4 VS 2&3	1&2 VS 3&4	1&3 VS 2&4

SCORE SHEET:

ROUND:			DATE:	
PLAYER	SET 1	SET 2	SET 3	TOTAL
1.				
2.				
3.				
4.				