

TT Winter League Junior Match Format 2017

1. A team consists of **three players** according to the LTA age groups, i.e. 16&U born on 1 April 2001 or later, 14&U born 1 April 2003 or later. Clubs should contact each other in advance to agree if the match is U14 or U16 and try to field fairly matched teams. Players are ranked from 1 to 3. Each team will be accompanied by a non-playing adult captain.
2. Total time available for a match is 2 hours on 2 courts. The captains should agree on which clock to use.
3. All deuces are single point and each round is curtailed by a time limit. The usual junior scorebook can be used, but please send results to the Winter League Secretary (see below). Month / year of birth and BTM number should be noted for each player.
4. Balls should be provided by the first team ("home" team) listed in the fixture list.
5. There are four timed stages: Warm up, First Round, Second Round, Third Round.
 - **Warm up of 10 minutes**
 - **First Round (35 minutes):** 3 v 3 Singles; 1&2 v 1&2 doubles
 - **Second Round (35 minutes):** 2 v 2 Singles; 1&3 v 1&3 doubles
 - **Third Round (remaining time):** 1 v 1 Singles; 2&3 v 2&3 doublesAt 5 minutes before the end of a round all players must agree to finish their current game.
6. All sets are first to 6; single point deuce; no tie break. Receivers can choose who receives at deuce.
7. Later rounds can begin earlier if all earlier rounds are complete and both teams agree.
8. If a set has to be curtailed because of the time restriction, then provided at least 5 games have been played the winners are awarded the curtailed set, e.g. 3-2 counts as a win.
9. As in (8), but if the games are equal then a final game should be played, the result of which should be noted on the score sheet.
10. If fewer than 5 games have been played a set is void and neither side is allocated a point.

Scoring

12. The final score is the set score, with each set counting as one point.
13. If one team has a higher number of sets than the other they are considered to be the winners and are awarded two bonus points. In the case of an equal number of sets then both sides are awarded one bonus point.
14. The scores should be recorded and signed by each team captain and sent to the League Secretary within a week of the match. These can be scanned or posted.
15. Where the League Secretary does not receive the scores from either team within a fortnight of the date of the match both teams will have a point deducted. Scores will not be chased
16. If a team concedes their opponents will be awarded two points, plus their set average over the season in the event of a tie in points.

Cancellations

All cancellations should be notified as soon as possible to the opposing team and the League Secretary. The opposing team may use the courts. David Lloyd should be notified as soon as possible if the courts are not going to be used. No refunds are possible.

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