



TEAM TOURNAMENT FORMAT AND PROCEDURES FOR PLAY

- USTA/NMAA officials will be at the State Tournament and each site will have a site referee. All of these officials are under the direction of Tournament Director Sally Marquez.
- The Full Team Rosters submitted to the NMAA on April 15th will be used in all matches.
- In each round of team competition, a coach can select any line-up of singles players and doubles teams from their full roster, as long as they remain from strongest to weakest. **Stacking is prohibited.**
- **For an ill or injured player, only in doubles, and prior to the start of a match, may be replaced by that school's coach, provided satisfactory medical notification is submitted to the director on site, and approval is achieved. The replacement player must be on the full Doubles Team Roster, as declared on Sunday of week #43. Replacement of a player is restricted as follows: a player may move up one position only in the lineup. i.e. a member of the #1 doubles team is injured/ill. That player may be replaced by a member of the team's #2 doubles team only. That #2 doubles team member must be replaced by a member of the #3 doubles team etc. Coaches also have the option of not replacing the injured/ill player and moving all declared teams forward in their lineup (#2 becomes #1; #3 becomes #2 etc.)**
- The line-up must be submitted to the site director at least **30 minutes** before the start of the round of team competition. A line-up sheet will be provided.
- A team/match winner is determined by who wins the most singles/doubles matches against the opponent.
- All matches in all rounds will consist of the best two of three sets, with all games to be played under ad scoring and with a seven-point tie-breaker at 6-all in any set.
- **All 9 matches will be played out in first round. Once both teams have completed their initial round of the tournament (playing all 9 matches out), and have advanced to the next round, play will conclude for each round thereafter once a team has won the best 5 out of 9 single/double matches combined. This format will continue for the duration of the tournament.**
- Coaching during play is permitted. The designated high school coach may communicate with his/her players during change of sides through the fence only. The designated head coach must have a current NM coaching license, an active MVP account and is recognized by their pertaining school as a hired coach.
- Rest period for a player between a singles matches and doubles matches will be no more than 30 minutes. The player and coach may choose to take less than the required time, but no more than 30 minutes.

