

10 & under Guidelines for TD's & Officials (1/15)

- 10's are played & officiated as they always have been. The difference is the format. Add the following to your tournament homepage:
 - For all North Carolina 10 and under, Level 1-5 tournament play, the required scoring format, for singles shall be the best of 2 short sets (first to 4 and win by 2), with a set tiebreak (first to seven (7) and win by two (2) at 4-4 in each set, and a set tiebreak (first to 7 and win by 2) for the third set. **Ad scoring. One (1) hours rest between matches**
 - Doubles matches for 10 and under tournament play shall consist of a regular six (6) game set with a set tiebreak first to seven (7) and win by 2) at 6-6. **Ad scoring. 15 minute rest between matches**
 - In case of inclement weather, singles play shall consist of one regular six (6) game set with a set tiebreak (first to seven (7) and win by 2) at 6-6 . **Ad scoring. 30 minute rest between matches**
- Players will play the same consolation as the other divisions in the tournament. However, the more matches you are able to play, the better. For small draws, a non elimination format should be used instead. Extra matches can be added in TDM- contact me.
- Play should all be one day if possible when there is a small draw. No more than 3 matches played per day. If not possible because of limited courts, hot weather, etc. play as many matches the first day so fewer players will need to come the next day. Idea for limited courts- boys one day, girls another
Publish in advance on the tournament homepage the day/s the 10's will play.
- Players can play 3 matches a day.
- Officials should be visible so players become familiar with them & available if there are needed for rule clarifications, not instruction unless you do have an extra official for the 10's.
- It is easier to contain the players by having a check-in/scoring "desk" at the 60 ft. courts.
- Schedule matches for 50-60 minutes with a **1 hour rest break** between matches. 15 minutes for doubles.
- How many volunteers do you need to help with the 10's? More than likely, you will need 2 people. You need a person to run the site desk checking players in, Checking racquet lengths, assigning courts & taking scores. After the 5 minute warm up, you need another person to start them playing & to help if there is a scoring dispute, tiebreak, etc. An extra official can also help with this.
- Have the scoring printed out for players, parents & officials
- Give instructions to report scores to the desk or wherever
- Remind players at check-in that the ball is good if it hits the lines.
- Have a 25" racquet at check-in to measure each player's racquet. A 26" racquet is ILLEGAL.

13. Have extra 25" racquets available for players to use if necessary
14. Seed players
15. Parents should not be on court
16. Parents do not talk to players on court. They do not call lines or score.
17. All rules in Friend @ Court are the same for 10's as other age divisions-For example: 3 minute rest period with coaching, no talking to parents/ coaches on a bathroom break, etc.
18. Certified officials are authorized to use the PPS (Point Penalty System) in red and orange ball junior tennis during NC sanctioned tournaments. USTA NC will impose suspension points on red and orange ball players that are consistent with suspension points imposed by USTA for green and yellow ball junior players. These points will apply to all NC sanctioned tournament. NO CODE VIOLATIONS will be reported in tennislink "Player Violations"
19. Remember these are young children who do get tired & hot. They will need time for lunch if applicable. Be flexible!!