



Tennis Victoria Pennant 2023

In it's 140th year, Tennis Victoria Pennant is back! We have listened to your feedback, and we are excited to share with you some exciting changes to Tennis Victoria Pennant in 2023.

What's new for all Grades in 2023?

- Coach/manager/team player allowed on court
- Clubs to supply and wear uniforms to professionalise Pennant, compulsory for State Grade 2023 and 2024 for all other grades
- Tennis Victoria staff member support on match days for the first four weeks of the season
- Community Engagement Awards
- Tennis Victoria to supply 4 net banners for each team
- Discounted ball deals
- \$30 voucher to Tennis Lab per player
- Themed Rounds

State Grade is back!

Offering a point of difference to elite level Pennant Players showcasing inter-club team competition, by offering a longer format of singles and doubles. Teams will be four players minimum, in a professional environment with club uniforms, officiated super rounds and better media coverage.

Why is State Grade back?

We have listened to players, pennant clubs and various key stakeholders, who wanted to bring State Grade back as a aspirational pathway for Club players in a team environment.

State Grade Pennant	Grade 1 Pennant	Grade 2 Pennant & Below
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4-6 players per week • 8 teams • One team per club • Selection based on average UTR as at date of grading by Tennis Victoria • Named players must play in 4 matches for the season • 14 week season plus 2 Finals rounds • Round 1 Semi Finals, Round 2 Grand Finals • Balls supplied by Tennis Victoria • Increased promotion • 2 Super Rounds • Showcased GF event 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4-6 players per week • 8 teams • Two team per club (maximum) • Selection based on average UTR as at date of grading by Tennis Victoria • Named players must play in 4 matches for the season • 14 week season plus 2 Finals rounds • Round 1 Semi Finals, Round 2 Grand Finals 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unchanged format from 2022 • Teams of 4-6 players per week • Grade 2 will have two Sections of 8 teams • Grade 3 & below will have four Sections of 8 teams • 14 week season plus 4 Finals rounds • Round 1 Sectional Finals, Round 2 Grade Quarter Finals (excl. Grade 2), Round 3 Grade Semi Finals, Round 4 Grand Finals

State Grade points of difference

- Dunlop match balls supplied by Tennis Victoria
- Social media profiling, with enhanced media coverage of the Grand Final
- Two officiated Super Rounds
- State Grade teams to wear Club Uniforms in 2023 with the other Pennant Grades to follow in 2024
- More match play on Pennant Days for serious/committed players