

TENNIS WEST
TENNIS LEAGUE RULES & REGULATIONS
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1 Objectives

The objective of Tennis West League is to provide team inter-club competitions for members of affiliated tennis clubs/associations, to enable players who have reached the standard of the various divisions an equal opportunity to play against players of similar ability, over a given period. Tennis League competitions aim to enhance tennis and foster friendly rivalry, as a means of promoting tennis participation and improving playing standards.

Players, teams, coaches, officials, and managers must always act in the best interests of the Tennis West League, Tennis West, and their Club, and not at any time engage in conduct which brings or has the potential to bring a participant, the League, Tennis West, or the sport of tennis into disrepute. Conduct by any party associated with League must not be contrary to or prejudicial to the best interest, image or values of the League or Tennis West and must be in the "spirit of the game". Tennis West reserves the right to investigate any conduct that may be deemed contrary or prejudicial to the sport and take disciplinary action where necessary.

2 Definitions and Interpretations

"Abandoned or Incomplete Match" is a match interrupted or abandoned. e.g., weather conditions,

"Adult" means players no longer eligible to play in Junior Competitions.

"Affiliated Club" and **"Club"** means a club or association affiliated with Tennis West.

"Base Player" is a team member nominated as such in League Manager for a particular team.

"Blended Lines" are additional lines painted to accommodate other sports, such as pickleball, without interfering with the primary tennis lines. These lines are typically in a different colour, to allow the court to be used for multiple sports.

"Colour Ball Rating" is a rating for players who play red, orange and green matches and ranges from R1 to G3 (G3 > G2 > G1 > O2 > O1 > R1)

"Competition" means a specific Tennis League competition. (e.g., Sunday Green Ball)

"Competition Assistant" for Junior Leagues is a trained person(s) with the overall responsibility for the application of Tennis League Rules and Regulations for home matches.

"Competition Committee" (TWCC) means the Tennis West Competition & Leagues Committee. The Committee is a subcommittee of the Board of Tennis West and possesses oversight responsibilities in all matters relating to League and Events.

"Competitive Player Profile" means a player has a UTR displayed in Match Centre.

"Division" means a graded section for a competition with teams of similar standard and ability.

"Draw" is a match result where rubbers, sets and games are equal; or where a match is cancelled before play commences.

"Estimated UTR" means the best guesstimate by a club of a player's rating for the purposes of grading.

"Fixtures" are the list of scheduled matches between teams for a division of a competition.

"Force Majeure" means an "act of god" outside human control. (e.g. Earthquake, bushfire)

"Game" means a sequence of points played with the same player serving and is a segment of a set.

"Ghosting" is the practice whereby a club nominates a base player who subsequently fails to satisfy finals eligibility criteria.

"Grading" means the process used by Tennis West League Operations (TWLO) to allocate nominated club teams into divisions of similar tennis standard and ability.

"Home Team" means the club on whose courts the match is to be played. The Home Team is mentioned first in Match Centre.

"Junior" means a player of the specified age or under at the scheduled date at the commencement of a Tennis League competition.

"League Manager" is the online system used by clubs and Tennis West for the nomination and grading of Tennis League Teams.

"Match" includes all points, games, sets and rubbers played between two club teams on a scheduled fixture date of a Competition.

“Match Centre” is the online system used by players to view fixtures and enter scores.

“Match Fixing” means any action or practice of dishonestly determining the outcome of a rubber or match to make sure that one team or player wins a particular rubber or match, including not playing to best efforts.

“Match Ratio” (MR) means method of calculating final positions on the ladder whereby the total number of points is divided by the number of matches played.

“Match Supervisor” for Adult Leagues is a home club authorized person(s) with the overall responsibility for the application of Tennis League Rules and Regulations for home matches.

“Match Tie-Break Game (MTBG)” means a tie-break game where the winner is the first to ten points provided there is a margin of two points over the opponent.

“Player” means a member of a club or association and who qualifies for various competitions.

“Points” means a scoring system applied for winning matches, rubbers, or sets. The total points gained during a season shall determine a team’s relative position on the division’s ladder.

“Bonus Points” are those points awarded for winning rubbers or sets. **“Win Points”** are the points allocated to the winning team of a match.

“Projected UTR” means a system generated UTR that is not yet reliable due to insufficient matches.

“Rating” refers to the player’s Singles and/or Doubles Universal Tennis Rating (UTR).

“Referee” means a qualified Tennis Australia official.

“Reserve Player” is a team member added as such in League Manager for a particular team.

“Rubber” includes all games and sets played between players or pairs of players during a match.

“Season” is used to describe different competitions for different periods during a year (s).

“Senior” means a player who shall have reached the minimum age limit by 31 December of the year in which the Tennis League competition is held.

“State League” is the name given to the top division of Saturday afternoon Tennis League competitions. Junior State League is the top division of the 18 and Under competition.

“Tennis League Club Coordinator” are club’s authorized persons who shall be the club’s primary communication link with TWLO and manage their club’s tennis league teams.

“Tennis West League Operations (TWLO)” means the Association’s staff members who are responsible for the administration and regulation of Tennis League competitions under the TWCC’s direction.

“Tie-Break (TB)” means a tie-break game where the winner is the first to seven points provided there is a margin of two points over the opponent.

“TWCC” means Tennis West Competitions Committee

“UTR” means Universal Tennis (UT) Rating.

3 Governance

- 3.1 The TWCC has governance responsibility for Tennis West Tennis Leagues Competitions.
- 3.2 Tennis League Competitions are centrally governed, managed, regulated, and administered by Tennis West League Operations (TWLO).
- 3.3 Matches, unless otherwise approved and advised by TWLO, shall be played on such dates and on such courts as displayed in the *Match Centre* and League Manager Systems.
- 3.4 Clubs and teams are expected to self-manage the application of these Rules and Regulations and must lodge a dispute on *Match Centre* or by separate email, to TWLO, if they wish TWLO to investigate an incident or matter.
- 3.5 TWLO may refer some matters to Tennis Australia’s Integrity Unit.
- 3.6 TWLO may provide education, issue cautions, or impose penalties or fines for breaches and violations of these Rules and Regulations as per Appendix D.
- 3.7 TWLO may refer to TWCC for a final determination where correct application of rules is challenged or for confirmation of exemptions or sanctions proposed by TWLO.

4 Entry into Tennis League

- 4.1 Clubs must nominate teams online as set out in League Manager before the closing date.
- 4.2 All team(s) nominated for competitions shall include all player details and other required information, including Captain and Base Player as specified in League Manager.

- 4.3 TWLO shall only accept entries from affiliated clubs or associations, has the sole discretion in the final acceptance of nominated teams and TWLO may refuse to accept any incomplete team nomination.
- 4.4 TWLO designates the minimum number of players that must be nominated in a team for each competition.
- 4.5 Teams nominated by clubs with outstanding fees owing to Tennis West will not be accepted.
- 4.6 A team nomination fee will be payable to Tennis West for each team. Tennis West shall send a GST invoice to clubs for all their nominated teams. Clubs shall pay all team nomination fees according to the terms of the invoice.

5 Player Registration and Restrictions

- 5.1 A player can be a base player of only one team and one division of a competition that is played on the same day and time but may play as a reserve for other divisions in accordance with Rule 9.
 - All Sunday Junior Competitions are considered the same day and time.
 - Tuesday Twilight and Mixed Competitions are considered the same day and time.
- 5.2 All players must have a Competitive Play Profile:
 - Registered in *Match Centre* for a Tennis ID.
 - Created a UTR Tennis account to obtain a UTR Rating.
 - Linked their Tennis ID with their UTR profile.
 - Link <https://support.tennis.com.au/articles/tennis-id-registration-utr-rating-activation/>
- 5.3 Players may play in more than one competition in the same season provided they meet any conditions as specified by TWLO, including Reserve and Eligibility rules.
- 5.4 Players cannot play in two different teams in different divisions within the same round of a competition. An exemption is made for Adult State League players where the State League fixture is held on a day other than Saturday.
- 5.5 A Base player who wishes to change clubs and play in the same division of a competition must seek permission from TWLO to change clubs at any time during the qualifying rounds of that competition. Any such player granted approval to change clubs must satisfy finals eligibility criteria for their new club team to participate in finals.

6. Player Age Restrictions

- 6.1 **Seniors Competitions:**
Refer to Section 2 for senior age definition.
- 6.2 **Junior Competitions:**
Refer to Section 2 for junior age definition. The minimum age restriction for Junior State League is 13 years of age.
- 6.3 **Juniors playing in Adult Competitions:**
The minimum age restriction for juniors is 13 years of age in the following adult competitions.
 - Saturday Men's State League, Saturday Men's Division 1, Saturday Men's Division 2.
 - Saturday Women's State League, Saturday Women's Division 1, Saturday Women's Division 2.

In all other competitions, clubs may only nominate players who are 15 years of age (the minimum age) on the day of commencement of the adult competition. A maximum of two 15-year-olds are permitted to play in any one match.

Once a player reaches the minimum age for an adult competition, during a season, they become eligible to play as a reserve.
- 6.4 Juniors under 17 years of age playing in adult competitions must play sufficient matches in a junior competition to qualify for finals of that junior competition. Non-compliance with this condition will result in ineligibility to play finals for both adult and junior teams.
- 6.5 Clubs with juniors in adult teams are expected to demonstrate their duty of care and ensure that an authorized adult guardian/manager/captain or supervisor attends both home and away venues where a junior under 18 years of age is participating in adult league match.

- 6.6 Monday – Friday daytime competitions:
All players shall be 18 years or over on the day of commencement of the competition.
- 6.7 Monday – Friday nighttime competitions:
All players shall be 16 years or over on the day of commencement of the competition.
- 6.8 Breaches of playing age restrictions above may result in forfeit of ladder points and games in that rubber, and any other rubbers deemed out of order.
- 6.9 TWLO may give an exemption to player age restrictions upon application prior to close of nominations for each season and will be assessed based on playing ability and player welfare.

7 Team Grading and Grading Changes

- 7.1 TWLO is responsible for grading all competition divisions and determining the number of teams in each division.
- 7.2 The players in each team must be nominated by the club in order of playing strength, which must be based on each player's UTR rating, projected UTR, or estimated UTR.
- 7.3 TWLO reserves the right to accept or deny any team or team member nominated and/or allocate the team or team member to a higher or lower division.
- 7.4 During nomination, clubs shall include relevant information as required TWLO and specified in League Manager to assist with the grading of teams.
- 7.5 TWLO may at its discretion give permission for a player to have a projected UTR for grading purposes, based on a written application from the club's tennis league coordinator.

8 Rating (UTR) Playing Order

8.1 Singles

- Players must play singles rubbers in Singles UTR order, to one digit after the decimal point (e.g., 6.29 plays as 6.2), as displayed on *Match Centre* scorecard for that match. The exception to this rule is 13/U Yellow Ball, where players are ranked on the whole number only - drop the decimal (e.g. 1, 2).
- Colour Ball players must play singles rubbers in Colour Ball Rating order (G3 > G2 > G1 > O2 > O1 > R1)
- Base players without a UTR must play in club nominated order (based on strength order) until they receive a UTR.
- Team Singles Playing Order must be exchanged in writing (e.g., SMS, paper note, via Match Centre) prior to the commencement of play.
- It is the responsibility of both captains to confirm the correct team playing order before play commences. Playing order will stand for each rubber once that rubber has commenced, regardless of whether out of order.
- TWLO may give permission for a player to use a temporary UTR, based on a written application from that club's League Coordinator.

8.2 Doubles

- Of the players due to play, the players on each team with the highest Doubles UTR, to one decimal point, as recorded on *Match Centre* Scorecard for that match, must play in the # 1 Doubles rubber. The exception to this rule is 13/U Yellow Ball, where players are ranked on the whole number only - drop the decimal (e.g. 1, 2).
- Of the players due to play, the players on each team with the highest Colour Ball Rating (G3 > G2 > G1 > O2 > O1 > R1) must play in the #1 Doubles rubber.
- The player with the highest Doubles UTR may play doubles with any other team player.
- Base players without a UTR Rating must play in club nominated Doubles UTR until they receive a projected Doubles UTR.
- In competitions with more than one doubles round, players may not play with the same doubles partner more than once.

- Players in three player competitions cannot play with the same partner more than once in any fixture.
- Doubles pairs should be listed separately by the captains' and names added to the match scorecard immediately prior to commencement of the last singles match (this is to allow at least one doubles match to commence immediately after the rest time for players between singles and doubles).
- Should any player, after their singles matches and before commencement of their listed doubles, be deemed unable to play doubles due to injury or illness, both teams have the option to amend their doubles pairings.
- Once a doubles rubber has commenced, a player cannot be substituted in that rubber if a player becomes ill or is injured.
- Playing order will stand for each rubber once that rubber has commenced, regardless of whether out of order.
- TWLO may give permission for a player to use a temporary UTR, based on a written application from that club's League Coordinator.

8.3 General Playing Order Conditions and Team Member Changes

- If there is a change in team members for singles or doubles, the playing order described in 8.1 and 8.2 must be maintained based on the players nominated to play those matches.

9 Reserves

- 9.1 Reserves may be changed to Base players (or Base players added), upon application to TWLO up to 2 business days prior to the commencement of finals. This will be approved should the change not have resulted in a change of the final graded division.
- 9.2 Any team may play a Reserve with a UTR equal to or lower than the Base player they are replacing. This applies to Singles and/or Doubles Ratings in Singles/Doubles competitions and Doubles Rating in Doubles Only competitions. Any breach of this rule may result in forfeiting of ladder points.
- 9.3 Except for finals, State League, Junior State League and Division One of any competition is exempt from the rating restricted described in 9.2. State League and Junior State League Base players can only reserve for another division in the same competition subject to Reserve Rule 9.2.
- 9.4 A Base player in one team of a division cannot be a reserve for another team in the same division. Reserves may play for any team in any division subject to rules 9.2 and 9.5. The only exception to this is Rule 5.5.
- 9.5 Any Reserve player can only play for one team in the same division of that competition.

10 Match Formats and Schedules

- 10.1 All teams must comply with the match formats set out in Appendix A.
- 10.2 Fixtures must be played in accordance with the schedule set out in Appendix A unless mutually agreed between the opposing team captains.
- 10.3 Matches Fixtures shall not be played out of order without the prior consent of TWLO.
- 10.4 The designated time for completion of play shall be strictly observed, except for finals. All games, tie-breaks (TB) or match tie-breaks (MTB) which have commenced shall be completed before ceasing play.
- 10.5 Play is to be continuous. A maximum of fifteen minutes rest time may be taken between singles and doubles rubbers, or between doubles rubbers.

11 Match Scoring and Entering Results

- 11.1 All rubbers within each match are scored in accordance with the ITF Rules.
- 11.2 The scoring formats for each competition are set out in Appendix A.
- 11.3 The home team shall be responsible for online lodgment of results in Match Centre for all matches whether Won or Lost, Drawn, Abandoned, Incomplete, Match Postponed, Won or Lost by Forfeit within thirty-six hours of the conclusion of the match.

- 11.4 The away team shall be responsible for the online confirmation or dispute of results no later than forty-eight hours from the conclusion of the match.
- 11.5 TWLO reserves the right to amend any scorecards/errors that impact the overall result of any match outside of these deadlines.

12 Player Injury/ Time-out

- 12.1 A one-time 3-minute medical timeout is allowed for injury, illness or heat related condition. If a match does not resume play after 3 minutes, the player will receive a point penalty. Following a further 3 minutes, a game penalty is awarded. Following a further 3 minutes, the match will be awarded to the opposition.
- 12.2 If a player retires from a rubber, the retiring player may not return to participate in any other rubber (including doubles) in that match.
- 12.3 If a team is unable to field a doubles pair due to a player retiring, this rubber will be forfeited, and all ladder points associated will be awarded to the non-retiring pair.
- 12.4 Should any player after their singles matches and before commencement of their listed doubles be deemed unable to play doubles due to injury or illness, both teams have the option to amend their doubles pairings.
- 12.5 Once a doubles rubber has commenced, a player **cannot** be substituted in that rubber if a player becomes ill or is injured.

13 Extreme Weather and Cancellations

- 13.1 The Tennis Australia Extreme Weather Policy applies to all matches.
- 13.2 The Ambient Air Temperature and/or Wet Bulb Globe Temperature (WBGT), must be taken from the Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) website.
Link: <https://www.tennis.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/TA-Extreme-Weather-Policy-effective-13-Oct-2022.pdf>
- 13.3 The relevant temperature reading for each club shall come from the closest BOM Weather Station as listed in APPENDIX C.
- 13.4 If any fixture is cancelled by TWLO (by email to League Manager users/captains) due to extreme weather, other exceptional conditions, or cancelled by mutual agreement of both team captains the match result will be deemed a draw.
- 13.5 All State League teams must be present on site ready to play unless TWLO has cancelled the State League fixture.
- 13.6 No match can commence later than ninety minutes after the scheduled start time, and in such circumstances, the match will be deemed a draw.
- 13.7 Should any match be suspended for one continuous period of ninety minutes, no further play for that match should occur.
- 13.8 If a match cannot be completed due to extreme weather or Force Majeure, ladder points for completed rubbers will be allocated and the "win points" shared, unless a team has won enough rubbers, sets and games to claim a match win. Bonus points for uncompleted rubbers shall be shared.

14 Defaults

- 14.1 Unless otherwise agreed between the team captains, where a team fails to appear for a fixture within sixty minutes of the scheduled commencement time of the fixture, the fixture shall be deemed defaulted and the team not in default shall be awarded all rubbers, sets and games and all the points for the fixture.
- 14.2 Any player not in attendance at the scheduled commencement time of either their singles or doubles rubber shall have his/her first set defaulted unless otherwise determined by the Referee (State League) at his/her absolute discretion or in the absence of a Referee, agreed by the team captains. If after twenty minutes of the scheduled commencing time or when a court becomes available for the match, if later, and the player is still not in attendance the remaining sets of that rubber will be defaulted. The remaining rubbers of the match must be played and shall be commenced as soon as practicable.

- 14.3 Where a player is defaulted during a rubber for reasons other than punctuality, that player shall also be defaulted from any further rubbers that he/she was originally nominated to play in that match.
- 14.4 Teams must assume the maximum number of courts will be provided for each match. Accordingly, the teams must have the number of players ready to commence at the start of the match as though all courts will be available unless otherwise notified and agreed by the team captains. E.g. Saturday afternoon - assume 4 courts available unless otherwise advised.
- 14.5 Should a team indicate that a player will be playing in later rubbers, but that player fails to present on site and play, that player will be deemed a NO SHOW. Any breach will result in forfeit of the ladder points for the sets or rubbers where players have subsequently played out of order.

15 Team Forfeits

- 15.1 Any team forfeiting a fixture shall, where possible, contact the opposing team captain before the scheduled day of play.
- 15.2 The team receiving the forfeit shall be awarded the win points and all the bonus points, and all rubbers, sets and games. The forfeited team shall receive zero points.
- 15.3 A scorecard shall be completed online and the reason for the forfeit noted by the home team captain.

16 Team Withdrawal from Competition

- 16.1 A club withdrawing a team from a competition after grading has been completed shall forfeit any fees paid and may be penalized further by TWLO.
- 16.2 In circumstances where a team withdraws from a competition once a season has commenced, TWLO will have the absolute discretion to determine whether to adjust ladder points, ladder positions and/or fixtures, as it considers appropriate to accommodate the team withdrawal.

17 Courts, Court Standards and Lighting

- 17.1 Clubs shall be responsible for providing courts and facilities that are suitable for Tennis League play. All matches shall be played on court surfaces approved by TWLO.
- 17.2 Courts with blended lines cannot be used for State League and Junior State League fixtures.
- 17.3 Each team must register with TWLO the venue and the court surface for its home matches. A team's nominated court surface and venue should remain the same for the entire season, including finals. Clubs must seek permission from TWLO to play on courts at alternative venues away from the designated home venue.
- 17.4 Any permanent change to another venue and/or surface must be notified five days in advance and approved by TWLO. TWLO shall give two days' written notice to all other teams in that Division.
- 17.5 Any temporary change to playing surface does not require the playing surface to be the same as the originally nominated playing surface. The home team must notify the away team no later than two days prior to the scheduled match. If two days' notice is not given to the away team, and mutual agreement is not reached on the surface change, then the match will be deemed a draw.
- 17.6 Should rain, bad light or other event make the nominated court surface unavailable, teams by mutual consent may agree to complete rubbers on alternate courts of any surface. However, if mutual consent cannot be agreed, the unfinished rubbers shall be abandoned.
- 17.7 The club's appointed official or match supervisor shall adjudicate on the fitness of courts for play, except where there is a referee, who shall adjudicate.
- 17.8 If, in the absence of a club appointed official, match supervisor or referee, and the opposing captains cannot agree on fitness of courts for play, the captain of the home team, shall adjudicate. At a neutral club, an official from the venue/club shall solely adjudicate. If no club official is available, the captain of the designated home team shall adjudicate, and their decision is final.

- 17.9 Clubs that are subject to local Council light restrictions or curfews must advise TWLO when nominating teams for night competitions. Home teams must advise visiting teams of any lighting conditions prior to play. By mutual agreement with away team, night fixtures may commence earlier than the advertised start time. Any unfinished rubbers shall be recorded as Incomplete. Clubs should make every effort to ensure that sufficient court time is available to complete the fixture. TWLO may require a club to find an alternative venue if this is not regularly possible.

18 Match Balls and Branding

- 18.1 Tennis Australia approved tennis balls must be used for all Tennis West League matches. Link: <https://www.tennis.com.au/learn/courts-and-surfaces/resources/approved-balls>
- 18.2 Clubs must provide the minimum number of tennis balls for each match as set out in Appendix A.
- 18.3 Teams may have marketable team names, and player names may be printed on the back of team shirts. If there is a corporate sponsor for Tennis League, Tennis West may direct State League clubs to display that sponsor's logo on their team uniform.

19 Finals

- 19.1 Finals fixtures shall be played at the courts of the club finishing higher on the ladder, and they shall be the Home Team.
- 19.2 The club finishing highest shall provide courts in the following priority order:
- Their nominated surface at the nominated venue, and if not available, then
 - An alternative surface at the same venue, and if not available, then
 - Courts of their nominated surface at an alternative venue, and if not available, then
 - Opposition club's courts, in which case they shall become the Home Team.
- 19.3 **Semi-finals** shall be played between teams finishing 1 & 4 and 2 & 3. Home team is the higher-ranking team.
- 19.4 The **Final** shall be played between the winning semi-finalists.
- 19.5 Final positions on the ladder shall be calculated by Match Ratio (MR). In the event of a tie on the ladder for MR, final ladder positions shall be determined by:
- The number of matches won. If these are equal, then,
 - The number of rubbers won. If these are equal, then,
 - The number of sets won. If these are equal, then,
 - The number of games won. If these are equal, then,
 - For head-to-head results over the qualifying rounds total rubbers won, then total matches to be sets won, then total games won.

20 Finals Eligibility

- 20.1 A Base player must have played in the number of qualifying matches as specified below, in their nominated division to be eligible to play in a semi-final or grand-final of any division of a competition:
- **6-week, 8-week and 10-week competitions** - At least two qualifying matches for all competitions other than State League. Refer to Appendix B for State League.
 - **12 and 14-week competition** - At least three qualifying matches.
 - **Incomplete** – for matches to be counted for finals eligibility, player names should be entered into Match Centre within forty-eight hours of the fixture.
 - **Extreme Weather or Force Majeure** - Players' names **cannot** be recorded for a fixture not started.
 - **Forfeited Fixtures** – for matches to be counted towards finals eligibility, players' names for the team not forfeiting must be entered in Match Centre/League Manager.
- 20.2 **Use of Reserve Players in a Final**
- A Reserve player who satisfies finals eligibility criteria for one team in any division of a competition, may play in a semi-final or grand-final for any other team from the same club in any division of that competition, should they satisfy the Reserve rule 9.2.

20.3 Use of Unqualified Players in a Final

A club may apply to TWLO for permission to include up to two unqualified reserves in a finals team with a current rating equivalent to or weaker than the rating of a qualified player unable to play in the finals team. TWLO has the discretion to allow up to two unqualified players to play in a final, to fill a team up to four players for four player teams, three players for three player teams or six players for doubles only teams playing 12 sets, providing:

- The club league coordinator provides a written statement outlining reasons acceptable to TWLO, why up to two qualified players are unable to play in the finals for a team.
- Four player teams have qualified five players.
- Tuesday Mixed Night teams have qualified two men and two women via the home and away games.
- Three player teams must have qualified four players.

21 Incomplete and Tied Finals Fixtures

- 21.1 The procedures for completing incomplete finals matches are set out in Appendix A.
- 21.2 In the event that scores are even at the conclusion of a semi-final or grand-final, the players in the match that caused the tie in rubbers, sets and games, shall return to the court to play a MTB, to determine the winner.
- 21.3 In an incomplete final, rubbers that have been completed will stand. If players are not available to play incomplete finals on the day defined in Appendix A, incomplete rubbers will be retired by the unavailable player. Rubbers not yet commenced can be filled by other qualified players subject to the reserve rule.
- 21.4 Should any Finals Series not be completed (i.e. The Final) by the mandated Back-Up date (as stated on the WA League Tennis Calendar Summer or Winter) the highest placed team (according to team positions on the ladder at the end of qualifying rounds) remaining in the Finals Series, will be deemed the winner of that competition.

22 Ghosting

- 22.1 To avoid ghosting, the top four Base players at the time of grading must play the minimum number of games to satisfy finals eligibility criteria, in the team in which that player was nominated
- 22.2 Should TWLO deem a club or player in breach of "ghosting", that club or player may be penalized in accordance Appendix D.
- 22.3 In cases of alleged ghosting, The President of a club may apply in writing to TWLO for a determination where extraordinary circumstances prevented a player satisfying these criteria, within five days of receiving notification of the ghosting breach. Medical certificates or documented evidence must be submitted to TWLO together with the lodged appeal.

23 Match Supervision

- 23.1 Tennis Australia procedures for Matches Played without a Chair Umpire shall apply to League matches. Link:
<https://www.tennis.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/Procedures-for-Matches-played-without-a-Chair-Umpire-V19.3.pdf>
- 23.2 It is recommended that the home club provides a match supervisor for Saturday afternoon and a Competition Assistant for Sunday morning competition during all qualifying rounds and all finals fixtures. Where there is no match supervisor present, a club representative should take on the responsibility for the venue and player and parent/spectator behaviour. Any witness to a code of behaviour breach may submit a report (including a corroborating witness statement) to TWLO.

- 23.3 Match supervisors/Competition Assistants shall have the overall responsibility and authority for the application of the Tennis League Rules, Rules of Tennis, and for the direction of players during each fixture. Reports regarding player or spectator behaviour should be submitted to TWLO via email to waleagues@tennis.com.au for advice, sanction or imposing of any penalty.
- 23.4 The appointed match supervisor/competition assistant shall make themselves known to all players and spectators at the venue, and additionally administer the provision of courts and facilities. They shall ensure that warm-up times are restricted, matches begin on time, and that points are played at a reasonable pace.
- 23.5 Players may stop playing and call the match supervisor/competition assistant to court when they are unable to resolve a dispute, or when spectator interference takes place.
- 23.6 Where there is no match supervisor or club representative present, the two team captains shall jointly assume match supervisor duties. If they cannot agree, the home team captain shall make any required ruling. Any unresolved issues shall be reported in writing to TWLO.

24 On-Court Advisors (State League/ Junior State League)

- 24.1 One designated on-court advisor is permitted per court at State League Men's, Women's, and Junior State League matches where a referee or match supervisor is present and authorizes their attendance.
- 24.2 On-court advisers can be team members/reserves/team managers or coach and must wear a team uniform or identification.
- 24.3 On-court advisers may enter the court during a match either before commencement, or at change of ends, or the completion of a set.
- 24.4 The on-court advisor shall be provided with a chair on sidelines, adjacent to the players' chairs and may provide support and mentoring to their own players during change of ends only.
- 24.5 On-court advisers shall not:
- Communicate with players during play, either verbally or by body language.
 - Communicate while on court with opposition team players or opposition on-court adviser, either verbally or by body language.
 - Breach Rules of Tennis League or Member Behaviour Code.
- 24.6 A breach may result in the on-court adviser being removed from the court.

25 Most Valuable Player (M.V.P)

- 25.1 Most Valuable Player Awards for Summer League are determined by TWLO in its absolute discretion, should a player not satisfy the objectives as outlined on page 2.
- 25.2 The Most Valuable Player shall be awarded to each division's top performing player over the qualifying rounds of a competition, playing at any position in a team, based on:
- Total number of singles and doubles rubbers won. If equal then,
 - Total number of sets won. If equal then,
 - Total number of games won. If equal then,
 - Least number of total rubbers lost. If equal then,
 - Least number of total sets lost. If equal then,
 - Least number of games lost.

26 Dispute Resolution

- 26.1 TWLO has the power to investigate any incident and impose appropriate penalties without a dispute been lodged by either team.
- 26.2 Subject to these rules any dispute between clubs, team and/or participants may be referred to TWLO for determination through *Match Centre* or email, within three days of the date of the alleged incident/breach. The referral must contain a precise statement of the issue(s) in dispute, the relevant facts giving rise to the dispute and names of any witnesses.
- 26.3 TWLO shall, within two days of the date of request for such adjudication by any party, request a response to the dispute from the other party before making a ruling.

- 26.4 A ruling is appealable only on the basis that TWLO incorrectly applies these League Rules & Regulations.
- 26.5 The TWCC shall determine any appeal against a TWLO ruling.
- 26.6 Any determination of the TWCC is non-appealable.

27 Tennis Australia Policies & Regulations, ITF Rules

- 27.1 All Leagues, competitions and matches must be conducted in accordance with the following policies, procedures, and regulations. Current links are on the Tennis Australia website.
- Tennis Australia Procedures for Non-Umpired Matches.
 - The Tennis Australia Code of Behaviour & Member Protection Policy.
 - The Tennis Australia Anti-Doping Policy.
 - The Tennis Australia Extreme Weather Policy.
 - The Tennis Australia Disciplinary Policy.
 - The Tennis Australia Anti-Corruption Program.
 - The Tennis Australia Social Media Policy.
 - The Tennis Australia Safeguarding Children Code of Conduct.
 - Tennis Australia Dress & Equipment Regulation.
 - And any other policy, rule, procedure or regulation of which Tennis Australia or Tennis West may publish from time to time.
- 27.2 In the event that these Rules and Regulations do not cover a situation or incident, then clubs, players, referees, and match supervisors should refer to.
- <https://www.itftennis.com/media/7221/2024-rules-of-tennis-english.pdf>
 - <https://www.itftennis.com/media/2509/2024-duties-procedures-for-officials.pdf>



LEAGUE COMPETITION	TIMES	PLAYING ORDER	TENNIS BALLS (NEW)	SCORING FORMAT	LADDER POINTS	INCOMPLETE FINALS	Minimum players to avoid a forfeit	Maximum players in a match
SATURDAY								
Men's & Women's State League 4 PLAYER TEAM	Friday:6pm (4 courts mandatory) Saturday & Sunday 1.00pm - Sunset Semis/Finals: 12.30pm start	Singles: 2v2, 4v4, 1v1, 3v3 Doubles: Highest rated doubles players are opposed	3 per singles	Singles: 2 x TB Sets & MTB Set if required Doubles: 2 x TB Sets & MTB Set if required. No Ad Scoring & Receiver's choice	4-win points 2 bonus points for each rubber won	At discretion of Match Referee	3	6
Men's & Women's 4 PLAYER TEAM	1.00pm - Sunset Semis/Finals: 12.30pm start	Singles: 1v1, 3v3, 2v2, 4v4 Doubles: Highest rated doubles players are opposed	2 per singles	Singles: 2 x TB Sets & MTB Set if required Doubles: 2 x TB Sets & MTB Set if required. No Ad scoring & Receiver's choice	4-win points 2 bonus points for each rubber won	Following Saturday at the same time unless mutually agreed to play earlier	3	6
SUNDAY								
Men's & Women's 12s 30+ Doubles Men's 12s 45+ Doubles Men's 12s 60+ Doubles	1.00pm - Sunset Semis/Finals: 12.30pm start	Doubles: Highest rated doubles players are opposed All other combinations may only play together once	4 per fixture	3 Rounds of 2 x TB sets Rounds 1 & 2: 2 x TB sets Rounds 3 & 4: 2 x TB sets Rounds 5 & 6: 2 x TB sets	4-win points 1 bonus point for each set won	Following Sunday at the same time unless mutually agreed to play earlier	4	12
Mixed-Up 12s Doubles	1.00pm - Sunset Semis/Finals: 12.30pm start	Rounds 1 & 2 Mixed M1 & W1 (2 x TB sets) & M2 & W2 (2 x TB sets) Rounds 3 & 4 Mixed M1 & W2 (2 x TB sets) & M2 & W1 (2 x TB sets) Rounds 5 & 6 Men - 2 x TB sets & Women - 2 x TB sets	4 per fixture	3 Rounds of 2 x TB sets See Playing Order	4-win points 1 bonus point for each set won	Following Sunday at the same time unless mutually agreed to play earlier	3	4 Men & 4 Women

LEAGUE COMPETITION	TIMES	PLAYING ORDER	TENNIS BALLS (NEW)	SCORING FORMAT	LADDER POINTS	INCOMPLETE FINALS	Minimum players to avoid a forfeit	Maximum players in a match
MONDAY NIGHT								
Men's & Women's S/D Fast4 3 PLAYER TEAM	7.30pm - 11.00pm	Round 1: Singles 1v1 Doubles 2&3 v 2&3 Round 2: Singles 2v2 Doubles 1&3 v 1&3 Round 3: Singles 3v3 Doubles 1&2 v 1&2	4 per fixture	Singles: Best of 3 Fast4 sets Doubles: Best of 3 Fast4 sets	4-win points 2 bonus points for each rubber won	Following Monday at the same time unless mutually agreed to play earlier	2	5
TUESDAY NIGHT								
Twilight Women's S/D 3 PLAYER TEAM	6.30pm - 10.00pm	Round 1: Singles 1v1 Doubles 2&3 v 2&3 Round 2: Singles 2v2 Doubles 1&3 v 1&3 Round 3: Singles 3v3 Doubles 1&2 v 1&2	4 per fixture	1 x TB set	4-win points 2 bonus points for each rubber won	Following Tuesday at the same time unless mutually agreed to play earlier	2	5
Mixed Doubles	7.30pm - 11.00pm	Round 1: M1 & W1 v M1 & W1 Round 1: M2 & W2 v M2 & W2 Round 2: M1 & W2 v M1 & W2 Round 2: M2 & W1 v M2 & W1	4 per fixture	2 x TB sets See Playing Order No Ad Scoring M to M or W to W	4-win points 2 bonus points for each set won	Following Tuesday at the same time unless mutually agreed to play earlier	2 men & 2 women	6
WEDNESDAY								
Women's 8s Doubles (Various Surfaces)	9.30am - 2.30pm	Doubles: Highest rated doubles players are opposed All other combinations may only play together once	4 per fixture	Rounds 1 & 2: 2 x TB sets Rounds 3 & 4: 1 x TB set Rounds 5 & 6: 1 x TB set	4-win points 2 bonus points for each set won	Following Wednesday at the same time unless mutually agreed to play earlier	3	6

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Appendix A

2024/25 Summer Formats & Information

LEAGUE COMPETITION	TIMES	PLAYING ORDER	TENNIS BALLS (NEW)	SCORING FORMAT	LADDER POINTS	INCOMPLETE FINALS	Minimum players to avoid a forfeit	Maximum players in a match
WEDNESDAY								
Women's 8s 45+ Doubles (Grass)	9.30am - 2.30pm	Doubles: Highest rated doubles players are opposed All other combinations may only play together once	4 per fixture	Rounds 1 & 2: 2 x TB sets Rounds 3 & 4 and 5 & 6 1 x TB set	4-win points 2 bonus points for each set won	Following Wednesday at the same time unless mutually agreed to play earlier	3	6
Women's 8s 60+ Doubles (Grass)	9.30am - 2.30pm	Doubles: Highest rated doubles players are opposed All other combinations may only play together once	4 per fixture	Rounds 1 & 2: 2 x TB sets Rounds 3 & 4 and 5 & 6 1 x TB set	4-win points 2 bonus points for each set won	Following Wednesday at the same time unless mutually agreed to play earlier	3	6
WEDNESDAY NIGHT								
Men's S/D 3 PLAYER TEAM	7.30pm - 11.00pm	Round 1: Singles 1v1 Doubles 2&3 v 2&3 Round 2: Singles 2v2 Doubles 1&3 v 1&3 Round 3: Singles 3v3 Doubles 1&2 v 1&2	4 per fixture	Singles: 1 x TB set Doubles: 1 x TB set No Ad Scoring Receiver's choice	4-win points 2 bonus points for each rubber won	Following Wednesday at the same time unless mutually agreed to play earlier	2	5
Men's 8s Doubles	7.30pm - 11.00pm	Doubles: Highest rated doubles players are opposed All other combinations may only play together once	4 per fixture	Rounds 1 & 2: 2 x TB sets Rounds 3 & 4 and 5 & 6 1 x TB set No Ad Scoring & Receiver's choice	4-win points 2 bonus points for each set won	Following Wednesday at the same time unless mutually agreed to play earlier	3	6
THURSDAY NIGHT								
Women's 8s Doubles	7.30pm - 11.00pm	Doubles: Highest rated doubles players are opposed All other combinations may only play together once	4 per fixture	Rounds 1 & 2: 2 x TB sets Rounds 3 & 4 and 5 & 6 1 x TB set No Ad Scoring & Receiver's choice	4-win points 2 bonus points for each set won	Following Thursday at the same time unless mutually agreed to play earlier	3	6

JUNIOR LEAGUES	TIMES	PLAYING ORDER	TENNIS BALLS (NEW)	SCORING FORMAT	LADDER POINTS	INCOMPLETE FINALS	Minimum players to avoid a forfeit	Maximum players in a match
SUNDAY								
Boy's State League Rob Kilderry Cup 4 Player Team	8.30am - 1.00pm 4 courts recommended	Singles: 1v1, 3v3, 2v2, 4v4 Doubles: Highest rated doubles players are opposed	2 per singles (8 total)	Singles: 2 x TB Sets & MTB Set if required Doubles: 2 x TB Sets & MTB Set if required No Ad Scoring, Receiver's choice	4-win points 2 bonus points for each rubber won	Following Sunday at the same time unless mutually agreed to play earlier	3	6
Girl's State League Casey Dellacqua Cup 4 Player Team	8.30am - 1.00pm 4 courts recommended	Singles: 1v1, 3v3, 2v2, 4v4 Doubles: Highest rated doubles players are opposed	2 per singles (8 total)	Singles: 2 x TB Sets & MTB Set if required Doubles: 2 x TB Sets & MTB Set if required No Ad Scoring, Receiver's choice	4-win points 2 bonus points for each rubber won	Following Sunday at the same time unless mutually agreed to play earlier	3	6
Boy's & Girl's 18 & Under 4 Player Team	8.30am - 12.30pm	Singles: 1v1, 3v3, 2v2, 4v4 Doubles: Highest rated doubles players are opposed	2 per singles	Singles: 2 x TB Sets & MTB if required Doubles: Best of 3 x Fast4 sets	4-win points 2 bonus points for each rubber won	Following Sunday at the same time unless mutually agreed to play earlier	3	6
Boy's & Girl's 15 & Under 4 Player Team	8.30am - 12.30pm	Singles: 1v1, 3v3, 2v2, 4v4 Doubles: Highest rated doubles players are opposed	2 per singles	Singles: 2 x TB Sets & MTB if required Doubles: Best of 3 x Fast4 sets	4-win points 2 bonus points for each rubber won	Following Sunday at the same time unless mutually agreed to play earlier	3	6
Junior Mixed 13 & Under Yellow Ball 4 Player Team	8.30am - 12.30pm	Singles: 1v1, 3v3, 2v2, 4v4 Doubles: Highest rated doubles players are opposed	4 per fixture recommended	Singles: Best of 3 x Fast4 sets Doubles: Best of 3 x Fast4 sets	4-win points 2 bonus points for each rubber won	Following Sunday at the same time unless mutually agreed to play earlier	3	6
Junior Mixed 13 & Under Green Ball 3 Player Team	8.30am - 12.30pm	Round 1: Singles 1v1 Doubles 2&3 v 2&3 Round 2: Singles 2v2 Doubles 1&3 v 1&3 Round 3: Singles 3v3 Doubles 1&2 v 1&2	4 per fixture recommended	Singles: 2 x Fast4 sets & 3rd Fast4 tiebreak set if required Doubles: 2 x Fast4 sets & 3rd Fast4 tiebreak set if required	4-win points 2 bonus points for each rubber won	Following Sunday at the same time unless mutually agreed to play earlier	2	5
Junior Mixed 11 & Under Orange Ball 3 Player Team	9.00am - 12.30pm	Round 1: Singles 1v1 Doubles 2&3 v 2&3 Round 2: Singles 2v2 Doubles 1&3 v 1&3 Round 3: Singles 3v3 Doubles 1&2 v 1&2	4 per fixture recommended	Singles: 1 x Fast4 set Doubles: 1 x Fast4 set	4-win points 2 bonus points for each rubber won	Following Sunday at the same time unless mutually agreed to play earlier	2	5

APPENDIX B:
State League Special Regulations

Listed below are regulations that apply specifically to State League teams or are repeated for emphasis.

1. Any club may nominate an Adult State League team addressing the criteria set by TWLO by the notified closing date. TWLO will nominate the successful teams and number of teams in each competition. Both successful and unsuccessful clubs will be advised by TWLO at least one week before other summer tennis league nominations close, to assist in planning and submission other club team nominations.
2. Clubs shall list a minimum of six players, including at least four base players on their Team Nomination form.
3. **Finals Eligibility:** For a season of ten home and away matches, Adult State League players must have played in four or more matches to be eligible to play in a semi-final or grand-final. See Rule 20.3 for extenuating circumstances.
4. The referee shall have the discretion to continue play after the advertised sunset time, if in their opinion, light is still reasonable and a result is possible, in a reasonable time.
5. During finals, the referee shall have the discretion to continue play after the advertised sunset time, including a different playing surface if, in their opinion, a result is possible, in reasonable time.
6. TWLO shall notify both clubs at least 24 hours prior to a fixture date if a referee will not be available for that match. The home team must provide a match supervisor to carry out the “referees” duties.
7. In cases of possible extreme weather conditions, all State League teams must be present on site ready to play unless TWLO has advised all clubs that fixture has been cancelled.
8. State League Base players can only reserve for another division in the same competition subject to Reserve Rule 9.2.
9. If a State League Match is played on a day other than Saturday, State League players can play in another team (or club) within the same competition in the same round subject to Reserve Rule 9.2.

E.g., A player can play State League for one club on a Friday and Division 1 for another club or same club team on the Saturday.
10. An Adult State League match between two clubs may be played on Friday, Saturday, or Sunday of that fixtured round. The home team shall decide the playing day and court surface prior to official release of all season fixtures.
11. Start times, shall be as per Appendix A.
12. By mutual agreement and with the permission of TWLO, two State League teams may agree to play a match on another weekend for which the round was scheduled, but the match must take place within two weeks of the original scheduled round fixture date.
13. State League Teams may have marketable team names, and player names may be printed on the back of team shirts. If there is a corporate Tennis League sponsor, TWLO may direct State League teams to display that sponsor’s logo on their team uniform.
14. At State League matches where a referee is in attendance, player behaviour code violations shall attract team ladder penalty points/s for the team in addition to other penalties. Refer to Appendix D.

15. Clubs must submit to TWLO, by Thursday 9am of the scheduled fixture, the name of the # 1 singles player for media release.

Playing Order

1. Teams shall play in UTR order (to one decimal point) as per the printed match scorecard on the day of the match with the option of swapping players 1 & 2 and swapping 3 & 4 or swapping 2 & 3.
2. The Match Referee will confirm playing orders provided comply with the rules. It is the responsibility of both captains to also satisfy themselves that the playing orders listed are compliant and correct before play commences. Playing order cannot be challenged once play has commenced.
3. Pairs are to be listed separately by the captains and names added to the match scorecard just prior to the completion of a singles rubber that will make a court available to commence a doubles rubber. This is to allow at least one doubles match to commence immediately after the rest time between singles and doubles.

APPENDIX C:**Official Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) Sites for Club Temperature Readings**

TENNIS CLUB	BOM SITE	TENNIS CLUB	BOM SITE
Alexander Park	Perth Metro	Manning	Jandakot Airport
Allen Park	Swanbourne	Maylands	Perth Metro
Applecross	Swanbourne	Melville Palmyra	Swanbourne
Armadale	Jandakot Airport	Midland Lawn	Millendon
Bassendean	Perth Airport	Mosman Park	Swanbourne
Bayswater	Perth Metro	Mt Helena	Bickley
Belmont Park	Perth Airport	Mt Lawley	Perth Metro
Blue Gum Park	Jandakot Airport	Mundaring	Bickley
Bull Creek	Jandakot Airport	Nedlands	Swanbourne
City Beach	Swanbourne	Nollamara	Perth Metro
Claremont Lawn	Swanbourne	North Beach	Swanbourne
Corinthian Park	Jandakot Airport	North Perth	Perth Metro
Cottesloe	Swanbourne	North Shore Country Club	Perth Metro
Daglish	Swanbourne	Ocean Ridge	Perth Metro
Dalkeith	Swanbourne	Onslow Park	Swanbourne
Darlington	Perth Airport	Parkwood	Jandakot Airport
East Fremantle Lawn	Swanbourne	Peppermint Grove	Swanbourne
Floreat Park	Swanbourne	Range View Park	Perth Airport
Forrestfield	Perth Airport	Reabold	Swanbourne
Fremantle Lawn	Swanbourne	Robertson Park	Perth Metro
Glen Forrest	Perth Airport	Rockingham	Mandurah
Gosnells Memorial Park	Jandakot Airport	Roleystone	Jandakot Airport
Greenwood	Perth Metro	Royal Kings Park	Perth Metro
Hensman Park	Perth Metro	Safety Bay	Mandurah
Higgins Park	Perth Airport	Scarborough	Swanbourne
Kalamunda	Bickley	Sorrento	Perth Metro
Kardinya	Jandakot Airport	South Perth Lawn	Jandakot Airport
Kelmscott	Jandakot Airport	State Tennis Centre	Perth Metro
Kingsley	Perth Metro	The Vines Country Club	Millendon
Kwinana	Mandurah	Thornlie	Jandakot Airport
Leederville	Perth Metro	UWA	Swanbourne
Lesmurdie	Bickley	Wanneroo	Perth Metro
Loton Park	Perth Metro	Wembley Downs	Swanbourne
Mahogany Creek	Bickley	Willetton	Jandakot Airport

APPENDIX D:
Rule Breaches & Violations – Penalties

1. Tennis West League Operations (TWLO) has absolute discretion for the application of education, cautions or penalties for breaches and violations of the Tennis League Rules and Regulations.
2. The table below lists the common breaches and violations and what the penalty is for that breach or violation may be if education or caution is not used.
3. TWLO may act on any issue, incident, breach, or violation with or without receiving information via *Match Centre* or via email from a club.
4. **Self-Regulation:** If a player, team, or Club involved in a match wishes TWLO to investigate an incident or alleged breach or violation relating to that match, they must lodge a dispute through *Match Centre* or via email.
5. For lodgment of disputes and the appeals process refer to Rule 3 and Rule 26.
6. TWLO only considers disputes received from teams or Clubs involved in a Match, except if the alleged breach or violation is related to “Match Fixing”.
7. Ladder points means “*forfeit of all points and games in that rubber and any other rubbers deemed played out of order*”.

Violation	Rule	Penalty	Notes
Tennis Australia Code of Behaviour Violations	27	Per Team: First code (warning – 0 ladder point) Second code (Loss of 2 ladder points) Third code (Loss of 4 ladder points) If a team accumulates 4 or more code violations in a season, 4 additional ladder points per each additional code will be deducted.	In addition to the disciplinary processes detailed in the TA Code of Behaviour for Weekly Competitions, ladder points will be deducted from a player’s team, as shown in the Penalty Column.
Match Fixing or Betting	27	As per Tennis Australia Policies and TWLO determination.	TWLO shall investigate allegations of match fixing or betting and shall determine appropriate action (s). TWLO may refer the allegations to TWCC and/or Tennis Australia.
Outstanding Fees owed to Tennis West	4.5	Teams for that Club not accepted into further Competitions until outstanding fee issues resolved.	
Reserve(s) playing for more than one team in the same division of a competition.	9.4	Ladder Points	See 7. (above)
Playing in 2 different teams in different divisions within the same round of a Competition	5.4	Ladder Points	See 7. (above)

Violation	Rule	Penalty	Notes
Junior in Adult Competitions playing insufficient Junior Matches	6.4	Ineligibility to play finals for either Adult or Junior team.	Juniors playing in adult competitions shall play sufficient matches in a junior competition to qualify for junior finals.
Breach of Playing Age Restrictions.	6	Ladder Points	See 7. (above)
Failure to play in correct Rating Playing Order	8	Ladder Points	Teams are expected to agree on Rating Player Order prior to commencement of Match. TWLO will only investigate a dispute that is lodged via <i>Match Centre</i> that clearly sets out why Teams did not reach agreement prior to match commencement. Dispute lodgment must include a copy of Scorecard used for match that clearly shows UTR of players alleged to have played "not in correct playing order". If the dispute is upheld TWLO may forfeit ladder points for that Rubber and any subsequent Rubbers which have been played out of order, at the discretion of TWLO.
Incorrect use of Reserves	9	Ladder Points	See 7. (above)
Team Forfeits	15	\$ 50.00 per team forfeit	Fine applied unless extenuating circumstances are proved by the Club to the satisfaction of TWLO.
Team withdrawal from competition	16.1	Team nomination fee	A club withdrawing a team from a Competition after fixtures have been completed shall be fined the equivalent of the team nomination fee.
Ghosting	22.2	A player deemed to have been a Ghost cannot be nominated as a Base Player for any team or Club for the following commensurate season. A Club deemed to have been knowingly involved in Ghosting for a Division shall not have a team graded into that Division for the following commensurate season.	After the completion of finals, TWLO shall monitor Ghosting for Summer State League, Junior State League and Saturday Division 1 teams and Saturday Men's Division 2 teams. TWLO shall provide a list of ghosted players to Clubs, and Clubs will be penalised for Ghosting prior to opening of team nominations for the next commensurate season.