

# TENNIS RULES & REGULATIONS FOF 2024

Tennis is a sport played either individually against a single opponent (singles) or between two teams of two players each (doubles). The rules of tennis, overseen by the International Tennis Federation (ITF), are as follows:

### **Basic Rules:**

### **Court and Equipment:**

The court is rectangular, divided by a net, with specific dimensions for singles and doubles.

Players use a stringed racket to hit a hollow rubber ball over the net into the opponent's court.

### **Scoring:**

# **Group Stage:**

A match will consist of one set, made up of 6 games. A player wins a game by winning four points. No-Ad Scoring: a game at deuce may be decided by a single deciding point, with the receiver choosing which side the serve will be delivered. First to six games.

Points are counted as 15 (first point), 30 (second point), 40 (third point), and game (fourth point). If both players have 40 points, it's called "deuce," and a player must win the next point to win the game.

A set is won by the first player to win six games.

# Quarters, Semis.

2 Sets. No-Ad Scoring: a game at deuce may be decided by a single deciding point, with the receiver choosing which side the serve will be delivered. First to six games, in case of a tie, a tie-breaker to 7.

Final: 3 sets with advantage.

If the set reaches 6-6, a tiebreaker may be played.

# **Serving:**

The server must serve from behind the baseline, alternating between the right and left service courts.

The serve must land in the diagonally opposite service box to be valid. A let is called if the ball touches the net on the serve but lands in the correct service box, and the serve is replayed.

Rallies and

### **Points:**

A rally begins once the serve is returned.

Points are won by hitting the ball in such a way that the opponent can not return it before it bounces twice or by the opponent hitting the ball out of bounds or into the net.

### Faults and Penalties:

A player loses a point for hitting the ball out of bounds, into the net, or if the ball bounces more than once on their side.

Two consecutive faults on serve result in a double fault, losing the point. Foot faults occur if the server steps on or over the baseline before making contact with the ball.

# Winning the Match:

The match is won by the first player or team to win the majority of the sets in the final, 2 out of 3. Single set in the group stages, first to 6, and higher cumulative games won in the 2 sets, knockout stages.

**CONVENOR: PALAS CHANDA** 

An Event with Less than three (3) communities shall be cancelled. Subject to change without notice. Age As at 5th OF NOVEMBER 2024. For more information Contact your community representative.