



SINGLES TENNIS CHALLENGE LADDER

BAYVIEW VILLAGE TENNIS CLUB

LADDER RULES & POLICIES

Player Conduct

To be Eligible, Players must be 18 or older to register for this Ladder. Matches are self-umpired and should be conducted in the spirit of fair play. No one at Bayview Village Tennis Club can be held responsible for the safety or security of players.

Players agree to compete at their own risk, and it is the player's responsibility to ensure any courts used are safe for play. Players are expected to be respectful towards opponents, other tennis club users and club employees. Players demonstrating poor behaviour will be removed from the ladder.

Ladder rules

1. Players are placed in groups of six by the Ladder Manager according to their N.T.R.P. rating. Group numbers will be determined by the total number of entries.
2. Every four (4) weeks, the boxes will be rearranged, and an update will be provided to all members. Player contact information can be found via the player directory at the BVTC website.
3. Players must book courts for Ladder matches as regular one (1) hour court booking.
4. Both players must supply a can of new, unopened Wilson US Open, Pro Penn Marathon, or Dunlop ATP extra-duty balls only at the beginning of each match. At the conclusion of the match, the losing player retains the used balls, while the winner keeps the new ones.
5. Each match **MUST** be played as a single pro-set (no-ad scoring, with the receiver choosing sides upon deuce). The first player to win 8 games wins the match. If you do not finish the entire match before the 1-hour mark, report the score as is at the end of the hour. A minimum of 5 games must be played for the match to be eligible. (For example, a 2:1 win would not be eligible, 3:2 would) At 7-7, a regular tiebreaker will be played (first to 7 points, win by 2 or more).
6. For each match, there is a maximum 10-minute warm-up. This warm-up applies even if a player is late, unless both players agree to waive it.
7. If a player is late for more than 31 minutes or fails to show up, the late/no-show player defaults the match. If a player wishes to cancel or reschedule a match, they must provide their opponent with a minimum of 24 hours' notice. If less than 24 hours' notice is given, the match may be recorded as a walkover in favour of the opponent, and points will be awarded, although it is still preferable to play the match if possible.
8. Rain – If it rains before the match starts, the whole match should be rescheduled. Don't make assumptions about the weather; instead, contact your opponent to discuss the situation and reschedule. If it rains during the match or court conditions deteriorate, either player may decide to call a halt to the match, and play can continue on another day.



9. Injuries & Retirement – If a player retires injured, unwell or for any other reason that constitutes a retirement, he or she loses the match, and it cannot be replayed. The player who could have continued (the winner) will receive win points.

10. Points will be awarded in the following manner.

Win = 4 Points ... Tie = 2 Points ... Loss = 1 Point ... Default = 0 Points ... Play All Matches in Session = 4

Bonus Points

11. Those who are away for an extended period of time must notify the Ladder Manager to allow other players in the box to be notified, as these players may be subject to a default win.

12. Depending on the size of the box, every player must play a minimum of 3/THREE matches each session to remain eligible to stay in the ladder.

13. Players who have difficulty reaching opponents or arranging a game with another player must inform the Ladder Manager before registering a default.

14. New players can enter the ladder at the beginning of each period. They will be placed into groups according to their N.T.R.P. rating.

15. At the end of each session, the Ladder Manager will draw up new boxes. The top player, possibly the 2nd and/or 3rd. The player in each box may be promoted to a higher box. The bottom player, possibly the 2nd and/or 3rd from the bottom, may be relegated to a lower box. However, if a player appears to be placed in a box significantly too low or too high, they may be promoted or relegated by more than one box. Based on very close standings, a 3rd player MAY be moved up or down a box.

16. Players are responsible for recording their scores

Scores will be counted for each player as they are recorded on the ladder sheet. Unrecorded scores will not be counted. As this is a public league, your name and the league's results will be published online on the national-provincial match play platform.

17. If a conflict arises between two players, we ask that you do your best to resolve it yourselves by referring to the league's Regulations. If the issue cannot be resolved amongst yourselves, you can email bvtcladder2025@gmail.com with information about the conflict.

18. Coaching & Spectators – In all matches, coaching is not allowed. Communications of any kind, audible or visible, between a player and a coach shall be construed as coaching.

We look forward to seeing you this summer. Have fun and best of luck!