RULES OF THE GAME
FOR
INTRAMURAL TENNIS
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OFFICE OF INTRAMURAL SPORTS
DEPARTMENT OF UNIVERSITY RECREATION
DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS
THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA

Intramural Sports Mission Statement
The mission of The University of Alabama Intramural Sports is to provide students, faculty, and staff with the opportunity to participate in a variety of competitive recreational sports in a safe environment; to promote and provide quality service and facilities; to facilitate the wholesome and worthwhile use of leisure, healthy lifestyles, and wellness; and to create opportunities for the growth and development of the social, physical, and mental skills of all participants. The desired outcome is achieved via participation in individual and team activities in a controlled environment, regulated by the policies established in this handbook.

Purpose

The purpose of this handbook is to establish policies and procedures that govern participation in the Intramural Sports program. Please note that it is the responsibility of each team/participant to know and understand these policies and procedures. Ignorance of any Intramural Sports policy is not an excuse for failure to comply. The Office of Intramural Sports reserves the right to modify these rules in whole or in part at any time as necessary. If you have questions, comments, or suggestions for these rules or the intramural program in general, please contact the Office of Intramural Sports.

Intramural Sports General Information

The Intramural Sports Office is located in the atrium of the Student Recreation Center.
Office Hours: Monday - Friday 10:00 AM - 4:30 PM
Phone Numbers:
205-348-8055
205-348-3906
Rain Hotline: 205-348-2708
Website: http://urec.ua.edu/
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Rule 1: Eligibility
Section 1: Players
Participants must be a currently enrolled, fee-paying U of A student, full-time faculty or staff member. A valid Action card will be needed to enter the playing facility and must be presented to staff at sign-in.

Rule 2: Rules of Play

Section 1: Start of Match
A coin toss will be used to determine the server or receiver and side of the court. Server must wait till the receiver signals that they are ready before serving the ball. Server shall alternate between left and right courts. Server will begin behind the right court.

Section 2: Scoring
A match will consist of an 8-game Pro-Set. Each game will consist of “Advantage” scoring. Players will rotate sides on every alternating game of each set. Gentleman’s Rules apply. Note: If the situation cannot be resolved the point will be replayed.

Section 3: Score Reporting
It will be the responsibility of the winning participant to turn the scores into the Intramural office by 12pm (Noon) on the play-by date.

Rule 3: Game Times and Reservations

Section 1: Game Times
The Intramural Sports Department will not schedule times for the matches to be played. Participants must play the match and turn in their scorecard into the Intramural office by 12pm (Noon) on the play-by date. The play-by dates will be included on the league schedule. If the score has not been turned in by noon on the play-by-date the game will be double forfeited. We will not accept any late scores.

Section 2: Reservations
Participants are encouraged to reserve times to play their matches. Outdoor courts can be reserved at no cost.

Section 3: Contacting opponent
You will need to pick up a contact sheet at the captain’s meeting that will have everyone’s contact information. If you cannot get in touch with your opponent for that week you must notify the office two days prior to the play-by-date. If by the play-by-date you have still have not been able to play your match you will receive the win.

Rule 4: Equipment
Section 1: Equipment
Players will be required to provide their own racket(s) and balls to their match. Only non-marked athletic shoes will be permitted on the court.

Rule 5: Sportsmanship

Sportsmanship is an important part of intramural sports. Any player who uses foul language, violently protests a call, or curses an official or staff member, will be removed from the game and will automatically be suspended from his/her team's next game. In addition, he/she will have to meet with the Coordinator of Intramural Sports during office hours (Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) before he/she is eligible to participate again. Any player who touches an official or staff member will be placed on suspension from all Intramural activities for a minimum period of one calendar year from the time of the incident.

*University Recreation makes every effort to protect all participants, however soccer is a contact sport and injuries are a possibility. The University of Alabama, the Division of Student Affairs, University Recreation, and Intramural Sports (and employees thereof) assumes NO RESPONSIBILITY for injuries. Basic First-Aid will be available for participants.*