



ORANGE BALL

NETA

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NETA ORANGE BALL RULES

What is Orange Ball Match Play?

Orange Ball Match Play provides children the opportunity to play in a structured competition while still using the modified ball, court and equipment. Orange Ball Match Play focuses on creating a great first time playing experience for kids who are early in their journey of competition play.

League Details

Team make up and match formats

- Teams will be made up of a minimum of 3 and no more than 5, comprising of boys &/or girls.
- Each player will play one singles match and two doubles matches each week
- Each round will be a first to 4 game set (no tiebreaker)
 - **No AD scoring** (at deuce “next point wins” receivers’ choice on what side to receive)
- If a team only has two players, they shall play, however, for recording reasons, one doubles and one singles match will be forfeited.

Serve

Players must be able to serve. Bounce serving is permissible if necessary.

Requirement of clubs

- Set up courts
- Supervise the matches

Court Set Up

For clubs that do not have blended lines, please read instructions below on court set up for both doubles and singles matches. Please note a doubles court and singles court are different, so it is important that the correct court set up is followed for consistency every match.

Singles and Doubles Court (refer picture below)

For the baseline, measure 270cm from the outer edge of the main baseline as per the doubles court set up. Using a tape measure, measure 86cm from sidelines starting at the outside of the inner tramline (singles court). Place drop down lines on both sides of the singles court (refer to orange court picture below). **The orange ball court service box/square is used for serving.**

Net Height

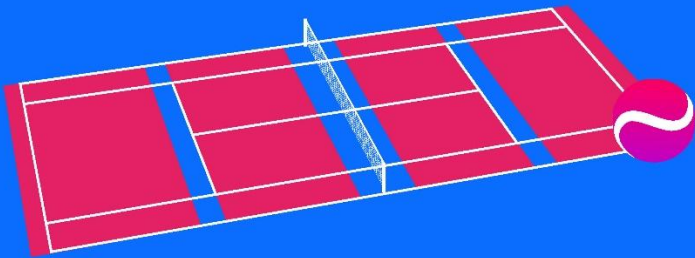
The net should be lowered to 65cm.

Support from Parents

- Parents are asked to attend each match and support with court set up, on court scoring and score entry through League Manager.
- While matches are in progress, parents who are helping with scoring or ball pick up are only allowed on court, all other parents and children must be off court.
- For parents on court helping must be on the sidelines, no parents should be behind the baseline.
- **Each team is required to have one appointed Team Manager.**

COLOURED BALL COMPETITION

APPROVED COURTS

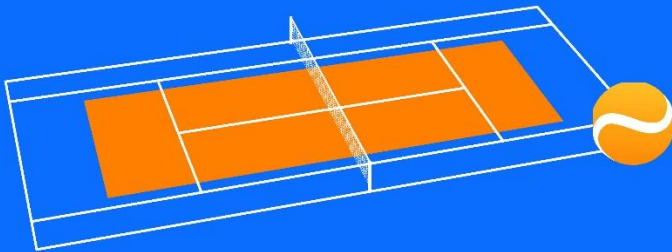


Court size 11m long x 5.5m wide for singles and doubles

Net height 67-80cm

Ball The red ball is to be used (which is 25% compression of a full compression Yellow ball)

The reduced court size, lowered net and use of the red ball is fundamental to offer every child the opportunity to play an all court game and enjoy the sport regardless of their age and ability

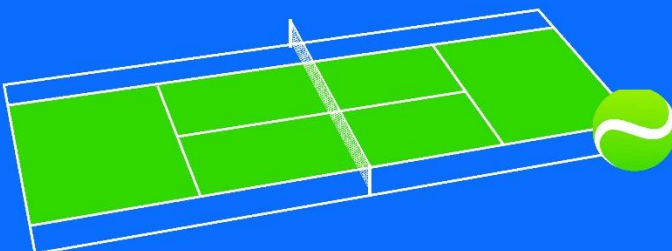


Court size 18.29m long x 6.4m wide for singles. 18.29m long x 8.22m wide for doubles

Net height Lowered to 65cm

Ball The orange ball is to be used (which is 50% compression of a full compression Yellow ball)

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Court size Traditional full size court 23.77m long x 8.23m wide

Net height Standard net height

Ball The green ball is to be used (which is 75% compression of a full compression yellow ball)



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