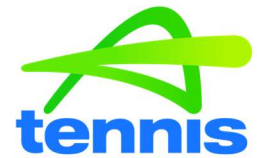


Green Ball State League Rules

Term 2, 2025





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The revamped Green Ball State League is an exciting association-based competition, that offers the most talented U/11 players in the metro area the chance to continue to develop their skillset while competing against the top players in their age group.

1. 2025 Key Dates

Nominations open 28 April
Nominations close 19 May

Round 1: 27 May
Round 2: 3 June
Round 3: 10 June
Round 4: 17 June
Round 5: 24 June

2. Player Eligibility

- 2.1 Any player affiliated with one of the six associations may nominate to compete within the Green Ball State League Competition
- 2.2 Each Green Ball State League player must be a minimum of 8 years of age at the start of the season and be no older than 10 years of age as of the first round, a player may turn 11 during the season after round 2.
- 2.3 Any player must compete in a majority of their matches (outside of green ball state league) at a green ball level to be eligible. This will extend to any green ball competition including but not limited to Association competition, Super 10's, and JDS/Junior Tour events.
* An association may submit request a special exemption for a player(s) who may fall outside of the selection criteria. Tennis SA will then review the request and render the final decision on the players eligibility.

3. Competition Format

3.1 Six associations are involved, these are:

- Eastern Districts TA
- Glenelg Districts TA
- Hills TA
- North-East TA
- Southern Districts TA
- Western Districts TA

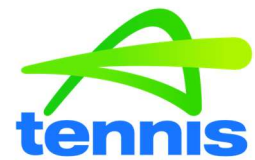
3.2 In addition to the 6 association teams, wildcard teams may be chosen to compete as a mixed association team in the event an association cannot fill a team

3.3 The duration of the competition will be 5 weeks, allowing each team to play each other once.

3.4 In the event we have fewer than 6 teams, number of rounds may be reduced.

3.5 Matches will be played each week (consecutively) on Tuesday Nights from 6:00pm - 8:00pm.

3.6 Matches will be played at a central location (Tennis World Millswood).



4. Match Format

- 4.1 Matchdays will contain four singles, two same gender doubles and two mixed doubles matches.
- 4.2 The order of play will be: Same Gender Doubles → Singles → Mixed Doubles
- 4.3 Each rubber is 1 Set and will be First to 4. For example – It will be one straight 4 game set with no tiebreaker (i.e. the set is finished when the score reaches 4 games to 3). Normal Deuce will be played.
- 4.4 Tennis Australia approved green balls are to be provided by Tennis SA. One can of 4 TA balls will be used for each match.
- 4.5 The scheduled starting time will be 6:00pm for matches – with 2 courts per match. Players must be ready to play at the stipulated match time.
- 4.6 Order of merit will be locked after round 1
- 4.7 In the event a player is unable to compete in a round, a team manager may seek approval from Tennis SA to use a reserve player/ change playing position.

5. Premiership Ladder & Team Composition

- 5.1 Four premiership points will be awarded for a winning match and two points for a draw plus one premiership point for each winning rubber.
- 5.2 Premiership tables to be decided by points and in the case of equality of points at the end of the competition, the team with the most sets (points, then sets, then games) shall be deemed minor premiers. In divisions with a bye, the premiership table will be decided by match ratio. (Match ratio is the Premiership points divided by the number of matches played). **If equal on match ratio then by sets, then games.**
- 5.3 At the end of the 5-week competition there will be a short presentation, with medallions to be awarded to the association at the top of the ladder.
- 5.4 6 medallions will be awarded to teams in position 1 and 2 on the ladder
- 5.5 Teams must have a minimum of base 4 player and a maximum of 6 base players.
- 5.6 Team composition must consist of 2 boy and 2 girls for every round

6. Weather Implications

- 6.1 In the event of extreme weather a message will be placed on the Tennis SA Website – Inclement Weather Update by 4:00pm. [Inclement weather update | Competitions | Tennis SA](#)
- 6.2 In the event of any match being interrupted or incomplete due to inclement weather, players must remain at the courts until at least 7:00pm before making any decision to abandon the match.
- 6.3 If matches are cancelled due to weather, they will **NOT** be rescheduled on the reserve weeks

7. Results

- 7.1 Tennis SA will be using the Tennis Australia approved competition software, League Manager. Team Managers will be required to enter and confirm the results of their match on League Manager/ Match Centre by 9am on the Thursday following the match.

8. Code of Behaviour Issues

- 8.1 All matches must be played in accordance with the Tennis Australia Code of Behaviour for Weekly Competitions.
- 8.2 All Code of Behaviour reports shall be lodged by filling out the [Tennis SA Competition Code of Behaviour Report](#) by 9am Thursday following the match in which the incident took place.
- 8.3 Tennis SA may appoint a Tribunal to deal with any Code of Behaviour reports.

