

# 10/U GREEN BALL STATE LEAGUE REGULATIONS

2020 WINTER SEASON



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# 10/U Green Ball State League Regulations

## 1. *Introduction*

The 10/U Green Ball State League competition will be run over a ten week season from June to September. The purpose of this offering is to provide a competition product which encourages Adelaide's best 9 to 10 year old players in the State to compete against each other in a team based competition whilst using the green ball.

## 2. *10/U Green Ball State League Working Group*

- 2.1 The 10/U Green Ball State League Working Group ("10/U Green Ball State League Working Group") will comprise of Tennis SA staff members.
- 2.2 The 10/U Green Ball State League Working Group is empowered to administer the competitions for both Boy's 10/U Green Ball State League and Girl's 10/U Green Ball State League.
- 2.3 The 10/U Green Ball State League Working Group may:
  - (a) Call for nominations from clubs for teams for each 10/U Green Ball State League Competition and accept or decline nominations;
  - (b) Manage all Home and Away Season and Finals matches including setting match schedules, select and determine venues including specifying standards and audit requirements, and make and administer 10/U Green Ball State League Competition Regulations and Rules;
  - (c) Administer the Rules of Tennis for the competitions;
  - (d) Conduct investigations and hearings, impose remedies, suspensions and penalties for breaches of the Code of Behaviour or infringements of any other Rules or Policies and deal generally with disciplinary matters arising from 10/U Green Ball State League matches; and
- 2.4 For the purpose of the Season 2020 the members of the 10/U Green Ball State League Administration are
  - (a) Luke Doughty, Tennis SA, 10/U Green Ball State League Coordinator; and Recording Secretary
- 2.5 All clubs are to abide by the [COVID-19 Community Tennis Guidelines for Continued Play](#) and have appropriate signage up. Removal from the competition could occur if guidelines are not followed.

## 3. *Nominations of 10/U Green Ball State League Teams by Clubs*

- 3.1 A Tennis Club affiliated with Tennis SA may nominate any number of teams to compete in either or both the Boy's 10/U Green Ball State League Competition or the Girl's 10/U Green Ball State League Competition.
- 3.2 Clubs within an Association will nominate to Tennis SA through League Manager. The nominating club must provide all details requested.

- 3.3 The Nomination fee for each club nominating a team will be \$75 for each team nominated, with Tennis SA invoicing each club. This fee will cover purchase of all balls and associated costs of running the competition.
- 3.4 The Nomination process will require a nominating club to name in Order of Merit the players which it proposes to play in its team.
- 3.5 Teams are able to add players to their team lists after the submission deadline provided they notify the 10/U Green Ball State League Coordinator of any additions.
- 3.6 If a player nominated by a club in the top two in the Order of Merit does not play a minimum of four matches, the Green Ball State League Working Group in its discretion will deduct two premiership points at the conclusion of the home and away season for each player who failed to play the minimum of four matches. Any team who have players in the above mentioned category who will not meet the minimum requirements are asked to submit any justification based on injury or illness, this must be supported by a Doctors Certificate or equivalent documentation.
- 3.7 Any breaches of these nominations rules will be taken into consideration by the 10/U Green Ball State League Working Group when the grading process takes place the following season.

#### **4. *Selection of Teams to Compete in 10/U Green Ball State League Competitions***

- 4.1 The 10/U Green Ball State League Working Group in its discretion may determine how many teams and select which clubs compete in the 10/U Green Ball State League Competition (either Boy's or Girl's). The 10/U Green Ball State League Working Group is not bound to accept any nomination.
- 4.2 There is no appeal from the decision of the 10/U Green Ball State League Working Group.
- 4.3 As a matter of guidance, the 10/U Green Ball State League will consist of a maximum of eight boy's and eight girl's teams. If the nominated team player lists do not provide players at the required level, the 10/U Green Ball State League Working Group may choose six teams in either competition.

#### **5. *Registered players***

- 5.1 Any club which proposes to play in its 10/U Green Ball State League team an additional player not included in the nomination of players list finalised prior to the first round of matches must, by 10.00 am on the Thursday immediately prior to the scheduled match in which it is proposed to play the additional player, register the additional player as a 10/U Green Ball State League player with the 10/U Green Ball State League Working Group, and nominate the player's position in the team Order of Merit.

#### **6. *Age requirements for 10/U Green Ball State League teams***

- 6.1 Each 10/U Green Ball State League player must be a minimum of 9 years of age at the start of the season (not turning 8 during the season) and be no older than 10 years of age at the start of the season, a player may turn 11 part way through the season.

## **7. Order of Merit**

- 7.1 "Order of Merit" means that players will play in the order of players with greater ability playing higher in the team than players of lesser ability. Order of Merit shall be determined primarily but not solely by current match results. Players not listed on the original team Order of Merit will be included after they play a match.
- 7.2 Players must be played in Order of Merit in all teams at all times.
- 7.3 A club which is to play a team in a 10/U Green Ball State League competition must confirm the Order of Merit of the players in that team following the nomination and team selection process.
- 7.4 The 10/U Green Ball State League Working Group may at its discretion review the Order of Merit for any team at any time.
- 7.5 The 10/U Green Ball State League Working Group shall have the power to disapprove the Order of Merit within any team and within any club, and to adjust match results accordingly as it sees fit.
- 7.6 Disputes as to Order of Merit shall be determined by the 10/U Green Ball State League Working Group which may impose such penalty as deemed necessary.
- 7.7 The up to date Order of Merit will be posted on the Tennis SA website. Any proposed changes to a team's Order of Merit must be provided to 10/U Green Ball State League Coordinator (Luke Doughty) by 10.00 am on the Thursday immediately prior to the scheduled match for approval and Order of Merit positioning.
- 7.8 Players from other clubs can be used as fill-ins for a 10/U Green Ball State League team provided the original club of the player concerned does not have a 10/U Green Ball State League. No player may play for more than one 10/U Green Ball State League team in any season.

## **8. Media and Promotions**

- 8.1 Tennis SA will provide the following media and promotion for the 10/U Green Ball State League:
  - (a) Facebook posts

## **9. Presentations**

Presentations will be made to the Winner and Runner-up teams at the conclusion of the 2020 10/U Green Ball State League Grand Final.

## **10. Competition Rules for 2020**

The Competition Rules for 10/U Green Ball State League matches for the Season 2020 are annexed to these Regulations.

## **11. *Circumstances not covered***

Where any issue arises which is not addressed in the Regulations or in the Competition Rules, there is uncertainty about the application of the Regulations or the Competition Rules or it is necessary to resolve any dispute which has arisen in relation to the Regulations or the Competition Rules, the 10/U Green Ball State League Working Group has the power to determine the issue, the uncertainty or the dispute after giving the parties involved the opportunity to provide such information or submission as 10/U Green Ball State League Working Group considers appropriate.

## **12. *Amendment of Rules***

The 10/U Green Ball State League Working Group can replace or amend the Competition Rules from time to time.