

## TENNIS LADDER RULES

All intramurals participants are responsible for their own medical expenses. Any student unsure of his/her physical condition should check with his/her family physician or the University Health Services Office (Emerson Annex) before participating in intramurals.

Note: There will be a women's ladder division, a men's ladder division, and a mixed doubles ladder division. There will be a separate tournament for each division.

1. Ladder play
  - 1.1 Players may challenge opponents as many as three positions above or below their own.
  - 1.2 Participants are responsible for calling opponents and setting up playing times.
  - 1.3 Games must be played in a timely manner at the discretion of the challenger and challenged.
  - 1.4 Balls will be supplied by players.
  - 1.5 Scores must be immediately reported to the Recreational Sports office.
  - 1.6 The winning player/team takes over or retains the position originally at the higher position on the ladder, the losing player/team remains at or takes the lower position.
  
2. Games and Service
  - 2.1 First serve shall be determined by a flip of the coin or volleying for serve.
  - 2.2 A match shall consist of the best of 3 sets with the first person winning 6 games in each set being declared the winner. A match may be shortened by mutual agreement between players/teams prior to beginning play.
  - 2.3 First serve is made from in back of the right hand court base line, second serve from behind left court base line and subsequent serves from alternate courts until game is decided.
  - 2.4 Players change sides of the court at the end of the first, third, and every odd numbered game of each set.
  - 2.5 Players serve alternately; after the first game the receiver becomes the server and the server become the receiver.
  
3. Playoffs/Tournament
  - 3.1 All participants will make the playoffs/tournament.
  - 3.2 At the discretion of the tournament director play will be either single or double elimination based on the number of participants.
  - 3.3 Participants are responsible for calling opponents and setting up playing times that correspond with brackets.
  - 3.4 Games must be played within 48 hours of scheduled time on brackets.
  - 3.5 Balls will be supplied by players.
  - 3.6 Scores must be reported to the Recreational Sports office by noon the day after playing or both players/teams will be disqualified.