



NW Washington Specific Instructions for the League Guide

- 7 minute warm up
- Play **No Ad scoring** for the entire match. At DEUCE, it will **gender to gender** for Mixed Leagues and Receiver's Choice for any Adult Leagues.
- Cell Phones are to be used as the Official Clock (not clocks in the facilities)
- Captain's – please be sure to send a welcome email to your club 1 week prior to match date to inform the visiting team of your club's policies, court fees, water on court, snacks afterwards or any other pertinent information that you would like to share with them.
- Exchange Line Up – preferably 15 min. prior to match start time. The very latest is 5 min. (only if not all of your players have arrived – if the player is still not present at 5 min. prior to match start time, then place them on doubles 3 and hope for the best that they arrive in time) prior to allow the 5 min. to get all of your players situated and sent to the correct courts to ensure you begin the match on schedule. Make sure your players know the names of their opponents so that when they introduce themselves they are playing on the correct court and correct players.
- Due to time constraints, change ends only between sets. If you should split sets, discuss prior to 3rd set match tiebreak whether you want to just remain on that side until the match tiebreak is completed or if you want to change every 6 points. If you can't agree, please default to just remaining on the same side. This is merely to help you SAVE TIME!!!
- If there is only 1 overflow court for a match, please put courts out in this order:
 - 3 court lines: D1, D2, D3
 - 5 court lines: S1/D1 (whoever is closer to finishing goes on first), S2/D2 (whoever is closer to finishing goes on the overflow court first), D3 goes on last

Lateness:

The following PNW rules are adopted for Local League play and apply when one player or team is on court and the other has not yet shown up. The lateness begins at match start time **OR** when the court becomes available. Players must have the full **7-minute** warm-up even when one player or team is late.

- 5 minutes or less: Loss of service toss plus 1 game
- 5:01 – 10 minutes: Loss of service toss plus 2 games
- 10:01 or more minutes: Default

Reschedule Policy:

Teams are given a 3 week window from when the schedule gets published to tennislink to reschedule any matches that they see a potential issue with their team where they will not be able to fill all courts. Just because you don't have your best line up is not an excuse to reschedule an entire match as our courts are very tight to come by. 3 court matches require 2 out 3 court to be a valid match and 5 court matches require 3 out of 5 courts to be a valid match. This is not mandatory, this is more of a courtesy as we all sign up to play tennis and if you don't have enough player's to fill courts, then it's best to reschedule so that everyone gets the opportunity to play. Please contact **Jill Borgida** before you have an ENTIRE TEAM DEFAULT.