

NITA Time Restriction Match Procedure Flow Chart

These rules will apply to any match that requires a time limitation. All matches must be scheduled for a minimum of 2 hours in length. **The Time Restriction Procedure would begin 20 minutes prior to the end of match time.** Please refer to Pre-Match Responsibilities (NITA) or Captain-to-Captain Communication (CDTA), for additional information. All time-restricted Matches will consist of best of three sets with a 10-point tie-break played in lieu of a third set.

In order to keep the Match moving and make the most of the allotted time:

- Play shall be continuous.
- Warm-ups should not exceed 10 minutes.
- Time between points and games is 25 seconds. At the completion of a game, if there is any time left, players must begin another game.
- A 90-second break will be allowed when changing ends.
- A 2-minute break will be allowed between sets
- If play is indoors, you may agree to change ends only after the completion of a set. This should be agreed to by both Teams prior to the start of the match.
- Coman tiebreaks will be used during championship progression however standard tiebreak procedures (change ends when score equals a multiple of 6) may save time. **All Players must agree to the type of tiebreak to be used prior to the Match.**
- If you have already started a tiebreak when the 20 minute time begins continue the tiebreak to completion or until time runs out, then move to the next applicable step on the flow chart.

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SET TIEBREAK—First to 7 by 2 points—to be used when applicable to determine the winner of a 1st and/or 2nd set

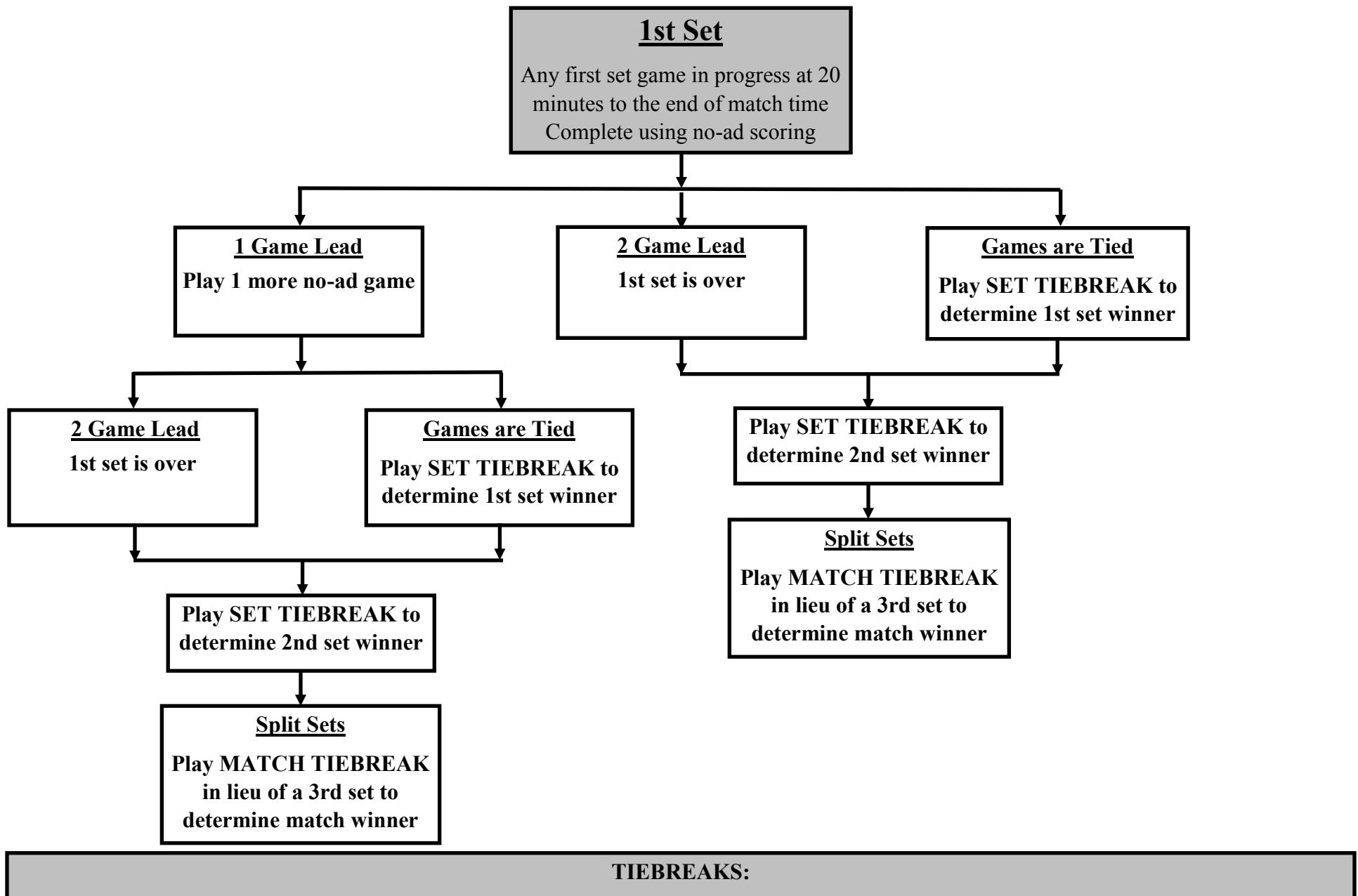
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Note 1: If either Team already has the ad point when the Time Restriction Procedure goes into effect, an additional point will be played. After that point has been played if the result is deuce, a deciding point will be played to determine the winner of that game.

Note 2: If Teams are tied after following the Time Restriction Procedures, record the match score as a win for the Visiting Team in TennisLink and notify your DLC of the tie. Please include the match number. In the event that ties should impact division standings at the end of the season, the USTA Adult League Committee members will review those matches and standings will be adjusted accordingly.

Note 3: When entering scores for an incomplete Match tiebreak for the third set (meaning neither team is ahead by a margin of at least 2 points), do not enter a score for the third set (Match tiebreak). Record the scores of the first and second sets and mark the individual Match as a win for the Visiting Team. Notify your DLC of the tie.

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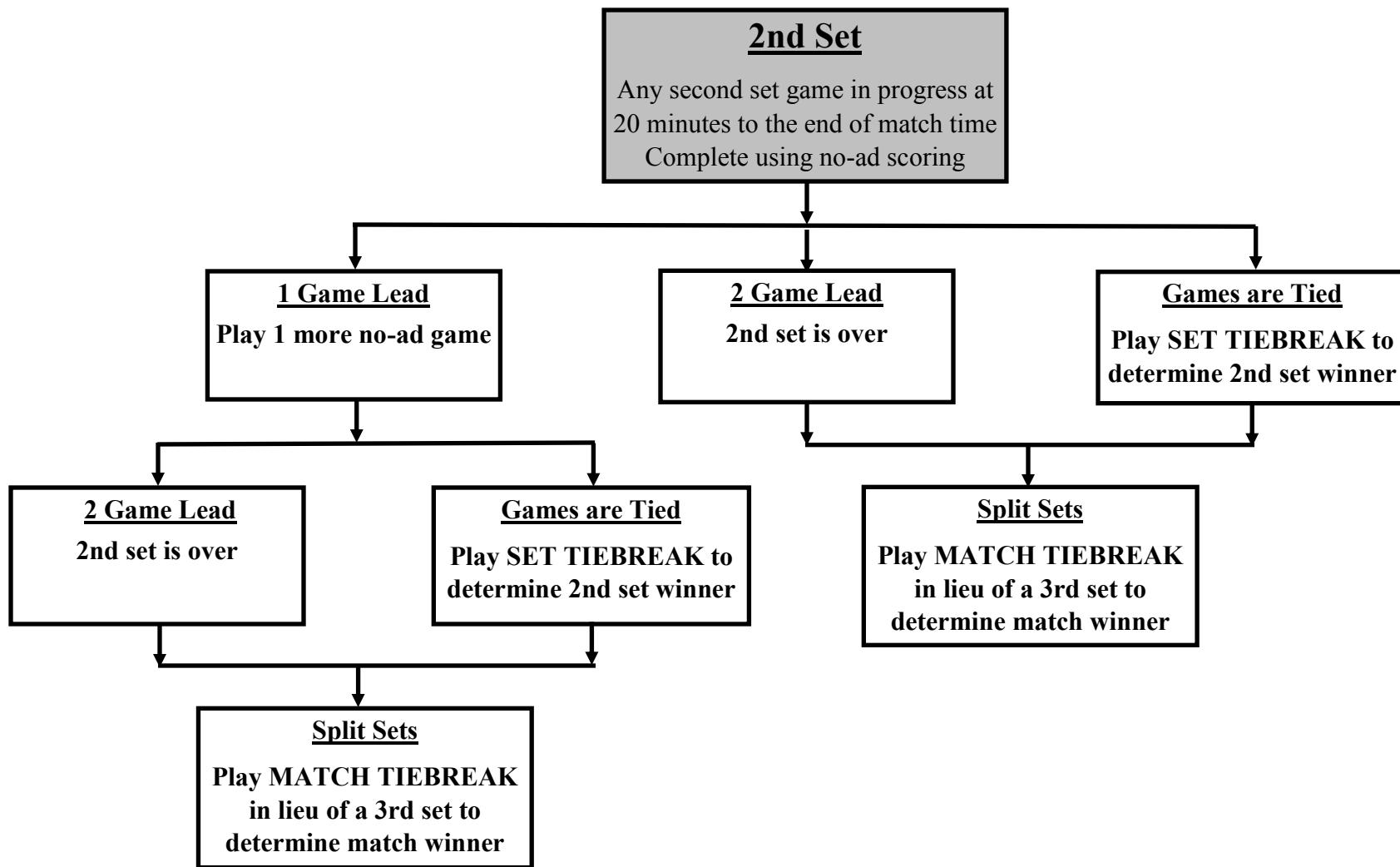


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