



HANDICAP RULES 2018

It is the responsibility of the player(s) named on the top line of a match to contact their opponents to organise a time to play.

Players should be ready to commence play no later than 15 minutes after the agreed time, even if there are no courts available.

Queuing is on a first come, first served basis, Championship matches having no automatic priority over Handicap matches. A group of people may join the queue only when all of the players for their match are present at courtside and available to play. If one player for a match is already on court, his/her partner/opponents may not join the queue.

Handicaps should be netted off before commencement of play. For example, if Player 1 has a handicap of -40, and Player 2 has -15, the correct starting position for each game is Player 1 -30, Player 2 Love.

It is not unusual in handicaps for the players involved to make an error, and to serve to the wrong side or wrong opponent. Should this occur, continue the game as commenced.

Matches are the best of **3 short sets**: the first player or pair to reach **6 games** wins the set, even if their opponent(s) have won 5 games. **There is no tie-break.**

The winner of the **point after deuce wins the game**. In a game of singles, the receiver may choose the side to be served to. In a game of non-mixed doubles, the receivers may choose which of their players receives the serve. In mixed doubles, if the man is serving, the man receives, if the lady is serving, the lady receives.

The result of a match should be written up on the Draw Sheet in the Clubhouse immediately after the match.

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