



Pool Play and Playoff Formats: 12 Team Challenge

Pool play format: 3 courts, 4 referees, 12 teams, 42 matches
2 pools of 6 teams

For pools of 6 teams, the best of 3 sets will win matches. Each non-deciding set will be won by the team that first scores 25 points with a minimum 2-point advantage (no scoring cap). If there is a deciding set, it will be won by the team that first scores 15 points with a minimum 2-point advantage (no scoring cap). Change sides when a team earns 8 points. A point will be scored on each rally. If the receiving team wins the rally, they score a point and gain the serve.

If at all possible, teams from the same club, regardless of seed, should not be placed in the same pool.

Seeding procedure: Pool A Seeds 1, 4, 5, 8, 9, 12 Pool B Seeds 2, 3, 6, 7, 10, 11

Match order:	<u>Court 1</u>	<u>Court 2</u>	<u>Court 3</u>
[team in () refs]	M1 A1 V A6 (B6)	A2 V A4 (B4)	A3 V A5 (B3)
	M2 B1 V B6 (A1)	B2 V B4 (A2)	B3 V B5 (A3)
	M3 A1 V A4 (B1)	A2 V A5 (B2)	A3 V A6 (B3)
	M4 B1 V B4 (A1)	B2 V B5 (A5)	B3 V B6 (A6)
	M5 A1 V A3 (B1)	A4 V A5 (B5)	A2 V A6 (B6)
	M6 B1 V B3 (A3)	B4 V B5 (A4)	B2 V B6 (A2)
	M7 A1 V A5 (B5)	A2 V A3 (B2)	A4 V A6 (B4)
	M8 B1 V B5 (A1)	B2 V B3 (A3)	B4 V B6 (A6)
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	M9 A1 V A2 (B1)	A3 V A4 (B3)	A5 V A6 (B6)
	M10 B1 V B2 (A2)	B3 V B4 (A4)	B5 V B6 (A5)

Tournament format: All teams advance. All teams must be ranked within their pools based on match percentage first. For any ties, use the tie-breaking procedure below. Additional information can be found in the Procedures and Rules for Juniors' Regular-Season Tournaments document. First-place and second-place teams in each pool go to the Gold playoffs. Third-place and fourth-place teams in each pool go to the Silver playoffs. The remaining fifth-place and sixth-place teams in each pool go to the Bronze playoffs.

Playoff positions on the tournament brackets will be based on pool finish.

Tie-breaking: Since all teams advance to playoffs, ties will not be decided by playing a set.

1. If 2 teams from the same pool are tied, their head to head match determines their order of finish.
2. If 3 teams from the same pool are tied after match and set % and point differential have been calculated, a coin flip will determine their order of finish.