

# USPFC TENNIS-2026

## **GUIDING BODIES**

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USTA uses ITF rules available online at [www.itftennis.com](http://www.itftennis.com)

**Entry Deadline: May 1, 2026**

## **EVENTS**

Men's and Women's Individual events will be offered in the following age categories:

18-29	50-59
30-39	60-69
40-49	70+

Men's, Women's, and Mixed Doubles events will be offered in the following age categories:

18-39  
40-49  
50-59  
60+

## **EQUIPMENT**

**Balls:** Use Wilson or Penn heavy duty, high visibility (yellow) or equivalent approved by USPFC. The Host shall provide three new balls for the first two sets of each match and three new balls for the third set of three-set matches. The confirmation letter should advise competitors the brand of ball the Host intends to use.

## **BRACKETING**

FEED-IN CONSOLATION BRACKET THROUGH THE SEMI-FINALS. MAIN DRAW SEMI-FINAL LOSERS WILL DROP DOWN INTO THE CONSOLATION AND COMPETE FOR THE BRONZE MEDAL.

## **SCHEDULING**

Depending on the number of entries, players may have to play more than one Singles or Doubles match in one day. Under these circumstances, two matches per day may be scheduled

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during the early rounds, but players will not be scheduled to play more than one medal round match per day in Singles or Doubles in one particular event.

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No. of Competitors	Day	Event
16-Bracket	1	1st Round
	2	Quarter Finals
	3	Semi Finals
	4	Finals
8-Bracket	1	1st Round & Quarter Finals
After Day 1, Consolation will catch up to main draw		

## **SCORING**

In case of four (4) competitors, the Round Robin system will be used.

Singles competition will consist of the best two of three tie-breaker sets, regular scoring. Tiebreakers will be played when sets are tied at 6 games all. The 12-point tiebreaker will be utilized. First player to 7 points with a two-point advantage.

All doubles competition will consist of the best two of three sets, no-ad scoring. If a 3<sup>rd</sup> set is needed, players will play a Championship tiebreaker. The Championship tiebreaker is the first team to ten (10) points with a two-point advantage.

All feed-in consolation matches will be an 8-game pro-set, regular scoring, with the 12-point tiebreaker at 8 games all. The consolation final match, which determines the bronze medal winner, will be best two of three sets. The same scoring rules will apply for singles and doubles, respectively.

3<sup>rd</sup> place (bronze medal): Will be determined by the winner of the feed-in consolation bracket. Semi-final losers in each main draw will drop down to the feed-in consolation and compete for 3<sup>rd</sup> place, the bronze medal.

## **GENERAL SPORTS RULES for Tennis**

Each match will be assigned a start time. If the competitor does not show up 20 minutes after the scheduled time, a 20-minute default rule will be enforced. The competitor will lose the match and will be excluded from competition in that category (including the consolation tournament).

During the matches, there will be a 90-second break during the changeover. This change will take place every second game, except for the first game of each set.

In case of injury during the match, the player can receive medical care or take an injury time-out for a maximum of 5 minutes. Beyond this time, the player will have to decide if he/she

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continues or withdraws. In case of withdrawal, the player will not be allowed to participate in the consolation tournament.

The seeds of each bracket have been chosen based on the results from the prior two USPFC until results are established for the USPFC in the coming years.

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## **AWARDS**

A maximum of 60 sets of medals (1<sup>st</sup> through 3<sup>rd</sup> place) will be required. USPFC will advise you of the number of sets needed based on total entries, plus a reasonable margin.

### **ATTENTION COORDINATORS**

THE **GENERAL RULES APPLY** TO ALL SPORTS.  
YOU MUST BE FAMILIAR WITH ITS CONTENTS.

PRECISE RESULTS MUST BE FORWARDED  
TO THE HOST COMMITTEE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE  
CONCLUSION OF THIS SPORT

The USPFC Director assigned to your sport is knowledgeable and experienced in providing assistance during the preparation and running of the sport. Questions, a detailed accounting of your preparations, and any area requiring approval of the USPFC shall be submitted in a timely manner to this USPFC Director.

The USPFC Directors want to work with you to make your sport a success.

***PLEASE USE THE USPFC DIRECTORS AS A RESOURCE.***