

PSCIITT2024 - Format of Play

ROUND ROBIN AND SEMI-FINAL MATCHES

One set, first to 8 games with a first to reach 7-points tiebreak played at 7-all.

No Advantage, Receiver's choice.

FINALS MATCHES - MEN'S & LADIES

Best of 3.

Two 6-game tie-break sets with a first to reach 7-points tiebreak played at 6 all followed by,

One first to reach 10 points match tiebreak if required.

No advantage, Receiver's choice.

GRAND MASTERS

One set, first to 8 games with a first to reach 7-points tiebreak played at 7-all.

No advantage, Receiver's choice.

WET WEATHER FORMAT OF PLAY

In the event that wet weather delays play the format of play will be altered such:

One set, first to 4 games with a first to reach 5-points tiebreak at 3 all.

No advantage. No receiver's choice.

Scores will be doubled to equal out with matches that may have been played to 8-games so a score of 4-2 will be recorded as 8-4.

WARM UP TIME

A 5-minute warm up will be permitted upon entering the court to play a match.

We request your cooperation in this matter.

WALKOVER

The time of play for each tie shall be determined by the Organising Committee.

Teams must be prepared to play at the scheduled times or when called upon to do so.

It is the responsibility of the teams to ascertain the time of play.

Players have 15 minutes to report themselves after the first announcement.

A walkover will be given if requested by the opposing team after 15 minutes from the time of the first announcement.

CAPTAIN'S PLAYER LIST SUBMISSION

The Team Captain shall submit the names of the players for each tie in the correct order to the secretariat desk at least 30 minutes prior to the scheduled start time of the tie after which no alterations will be accepted.

PARTICIPATION AT OWN RISK

Teams and players shall participate in the tournament at their own risk. The PSC, organisers or sponsors shall not be held liable or responsible for any personal injury, loss or mishap during the tournament.

ALTERATIONS AND MODIFICATION OF RULES

The Organising Committee reserves the right to alter or modify the Format of Play and Entry Rules in any way it deems fit.

Any matter not covered by the Format of Play and Entry Rules shall be dealt with by the Organising Committee whose decisions shall be final and binding.

COURT ALLOCATION

Court allocation is prepared on a random basis.

All teams will play on both natural and artificial grass courts during the course of the tournament (weather permitting).

The schedule will be adhered to – court swapping is not permitted.

Should rain force a delay court allocation will be on a “first come, first serve” basis where the next scheduled match will be allocated the first available court.

TOURNAMENT BALLS

DUNLOP AO Balls will be used during the tournament.

MEN’S DOUBLES TEAM TOURNAMENT

There will be Men’s Tournament Cup & Plate events.

For the Men’s competition there will be 2 round robin stages followed by semi-final and finals matches for both the Cup and Plate:

- A first round robin stage will be played to decide who progresses to the Men’s Tournament Cup or Plate categories.
- The highest placed teams from each of the groups in the first-round robin stage will progress to the Men’s Tournament Cup second round robin stage.
- The remaining teams who do not qualify for the Tournament Cup will progress to the Men’s Plate round robin.

A second stage round robin will be played to decide who progresses to the semi-finals in each category.

- The highest placed teams from each of the groups in the Men’s Tournament Cup/Plate second stage round robin will compete in their respective semi-final matches.
- The winner of the two semi-final matches will play in their respective final for each category.
- There will not be a play off for third and fourth placings.

LADIES DOUBLES TEAM TOURNAMENT

There will be Ladies Tournament Cup & Plate events.

For the Ladies competition there will be 2 round robin stages followed by semi-final and finals matches for the Ladies Tournament Cup and a final only for the Ladies Plate:

- A first round robin stage will be played to decide who progresses to the Ladies Tournament Cup or Plate categories.
- The highest placed teams from each of the groups in the first stage round robin will progress to the Ladies Tournament Cup second stage round robin.
- The remaining teams who do not qualify for the Ladies Tournament Cup will progress to the Ladies Plate round robin.

For the Ladies Tournament Cup a second round robin stage will be played to decide who progresses to the semi-finals and then the finals:

- The highest placed teams from each of the groups in the Ladies Tournament Cup second round robin will compete in the cross over semi-final matches.
- The winners of the semi-finals will play in the Ladies Tournament Cup final.

For the Ladies Plate a second round robin stage will be played to decide who progresses to the finals:

- The highest placed teams from the Ladies Plate second stage round robin will play in the final for the Ladies Plate.
- There will not be a play off for third and fourth placings.

GRAND MASTERS DOUBLES TEAM TOURNAMENT

There will be Tournament Cup & Plate events.

A first stage round robin will be played.

The two (2) highest placed teams from the first stage round robin will take part in a play-off for Grand Master Tournament Cup.

The three (3) lowest placed teams from the first stage round robin will take part in a second stage round robin for the Grand Master Plate.

DETERMINATION OF ROUND ROBIN PLACINGS

Final placings/standing in the Round-Robin stages will be determined by:

1. The highest total number of ties won.
2. The highest total number of matches won.
3. The highest total number of games won.
4. The highest percentage of games won over the total number of games played.
5. In the event of a tie the head-to-head result will decide the outcome.
6. Finally, by the toss of a coin!

UMPIRES AND LINESMEN

Umpires and linesmen will not be provided.

Matches will be self-umpired.

A number of roving umpires and a tournament referee will be observing play and will assist in resolving disputes.

COURT ETIQUETTE

Please remember that:

- The player on whose side the ball lands makes the line call.
- If in doubt, the ball is in.

A "let" should be called and the point replayed if a ball from an adjacent court interferes with play.

PROTESTS AND DISPUTES

Any protest, dispute or complaint should be reported to one of the umpires, referee or secretariat immediately. They may at their discretion refer the problem to the tournament director, organising committee or PSC General Manager depending upon the nature of the problem.

ENTRY RULES

The Entry Rules form a part of the Format of Play.