

**GREATER COLUMBUS USA TENNIS LEAGUE**  
2009-2010

**SINGLES RULES:**

1. Play a 9 game pro-set, **no-ad** scoring, and a 9 point tie-breaker. There will be no breaks until the third game of the set and no breaks during the tie-breaker.
2. There will be a grace of 5 minutes to appear on the court for players coming late, after which an automatic default must be declared. Warm-up will begin and the designated starting time. Warm-up will last 10 minutes, and will not be extended to players coming late.
3. If the pro-set is tied at 8 games, a 9 point tie-breaker will determine the winner ( first player to 5 points ).
4. If the match is not completed with exactly 10 minutes left to play, complete the game being played and the following applies:
  - A. If there is a difference of 2 games or more, the match is over.
  - B. If there is a one game difference, play one more game for the win or the tie. If the match if match is then tied, a 9 point tie-breaker will be played for the win.
  - C. If the match is tied at 10 minutes left when checking the clock, a 9 point tie-breaker must be played to completion to determine the winner (even if time has expired). **There will be no breaks on change overs during this tie-breaker ( we need to finish on time if possible ).**

**DOUBLES RULES:**

1. Play **regular** scoring, the best 2 out of 3 sets with the first two sets using 9 point tie-breakers ( 1st team to 5 points ) and the **3rd set will be a 10 point (coman) match tie-breaker**. There will be no breaks until the third game of each set and no breaks during the tie-breakers.
2. There will be a grace of 15 minutes to appear on the court for players coming late, after which an automatic default must be declared. Warm-up will not be extended for players coming late.
3. If a second set cannot be completed with exactly **20 minutes** left to play, complete the game you are playing, and the following applies:
  - A. If there is a difference of 2 games or more the set is over. If the result is split sets, play a **10 point match tie-breaker** to determine the winner.
  - B. If there is a difference of one game, play one more game for the win or the tie.
  - C. If the set is tied, play a 9 point tie-breaker for the set. If the result is split sets, play a **10 point match tie-breaker** to determine the winner.
4. If a third set **10 point match tie-breaker is not completed at the designated ending time ( 2 hours after warm-up starts ), the following applies:**
  - A. **The team that is ahead in the tie-breaker wins.**
  - B. **If the tie-breaker score is tied, the next point ( played in rotation ) wins.**

**ATTENTION CAPTAINS: SCORES MUST BE REPORTED BY BOTH HOME AND VISITING TEAMS EACH MATCH. IF THE MATCH IS NOT REPORTED WITHIN 48 HOURS, A ONE TIME WARNING WILL BE ISSUED AND THEN AFTER THAT THE MATCH WILL BE DEFAULTED.**

Teams must have 8 players registered by their first match or penalties will be assessed as described in the general rules. If the team fails to meet this requirement by the second week's match, they will be eliminated from the league and their club will be assessed a fine.