

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Thank you for your kind participation in the 29th International Doubles Tournament. Followings are the rules and guidelines for this tournament.

Attentions

Tournament entrants must arrive by their designated match time and any late arrival is subject to default.

Please be careful with your valuables. YITC cannot accept responsibility for lost or stolen articles. Please place your baggage in the tent adjacent to the clubhouse. Baggage placed in the clubhouse will be moved to the tent.

Olympic abbreviations are used for the country names.

One lunch coupon is provided for each player. Please exchange your lunch coupon between 11:30 and 14:00.

A limited number of lunch coupons are available for sale.

Tournament Rules

Choice of Ends and Service

The choice of ends and the right to be Server or Receiver in the first game shall be decided by toss. The players winning the toss may choose or require their opponents to choose.

(a) The right to be Server or Receiver, in which case the other players shall choose the end;

(b) The end, in which case the other players shall choose the right to be Server or Receiver.

Foot Fault

The Server shall throughout the delivery of the service:

Not touch, with either foot, any area other than that behind the base-line within the imaginary extension of the center mark and side-lines

Ball Touches Permanent Fixtures:

If the ball in play touches a permanent fixture other than the net post, cord or metal cable, strap or band after it has hit the ground, the players who struck it win the point, if before it hits the ground, their opponents win the point.

Dunlop balls are used as official balls.

Court surface is either clay or artificial grass.

Warm-up time allowed before the start of your first match is 5 minutes and 3 minutes from the second match.

A maximum of 5 minutes is allowed for rest in case of cramps, sudden pain, etc. With the exception of the finals, the tournament format is 6-game match: 7-point tie-break at 6-6.

The format for finals is 8-game proset match: 7-point tie-break at 8-8.

All matches are to be conducted by the self-judge method.

All players are treated equally.

Players must follow the JTA TENNIS RULE BOOK 2015.

Format and schedule are subject to change due to weather and other conditions.

Tournament Cancellation

If games cannot be played on Saturday May 16th due to bad weather, games will be played on the backup day, Sunday May 17th.

If the weather conditions are questionable on May 16th, players are kindly requested to come to YITC by the designated time "In Pairs". If the pair is not present by the time of play, the pair will be treated as default.

Depending on the weather condition, the tournament referee will make a decision at 10AM on May 16th, whether to suspend the tournament or to postpone it to May 17th. The decision will be announced at the club and will be posted on YITC Facebook page – www.facebook.com/1878yitc/. Please refrain from calling YITC office to confirm tournament cancellation.

If the referee decides to hold the tournament on the backup day May 17th, players are requested to come to YITC by the designated time to play.

If in case the tournament cannot be played on the backup day, 2015 YITC International Doubles Tournament will be canceled and Entry fee will be refunded. Entry fee will only be refunded as cash at YITC office until Sunday May 31, 2015.

Best Dresser Prize

In addition to prizes awarded to the winners and runners-up, YITC will award Best Dresser Prizes to Men's and Mixed Doubles. Please come play in your creative tennis outfits.