



**YORK REGION ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
BOYS' AND GIRLS' TENNIS PLAYING REGULATIONS**

1. Season of Play:

Co-ed Fall Sport

2. Divisions:

Senior – High School and OPEN – Tier 1

Junior –High School – Tier 2

3. Events:

Girls' Singles

Girls' Doubles

Boys' Singles

Boys' Doubles

Mixed Doubles

4. Eligibility:

a) See YRAA transfer application form

b) Age Division Categories:

Junior

School Year: **2021-22**

Year of Birth must be no earlier than: **2006**

Date of Entry to grade 9 must be no earlier than August of: **2017**

Senior

School Year: **2021-22**

Year of Birth must be no earlier than: **2002**

Date of Entry to grade 9 must be no earlier than August of: **2017**

c) Any athlete participating in an OFSAA championship or an OFSAA qualifying event must have participated in a minimum of six (6) practices with their high school team as a member of a bona fide high school program during the current season under the supervisions of a teacher/coach as certified by the school principal.

d) A student/athlete must be on the team roster at the proper age group (Jr/Sr) for a specific sport and tier, to be eligible to participate in that sport. The team roster must be completed on-line by the deadline established at the preseason meeting.

e) An Open Division player must have won a minimum of two rounds in total (one round or more in a tournament and/or at a later date wins a round in another tournament) in a 3 star Ontario Tennis Association (OTA) tournament or higher, a Level 6 or lower United States Tennis Association (USTA) tournament or the equivalent (European championship) in the three years prior to the beginning of the school year. Any player who has ever played in the Canadian Nationals or any player that has ever played in any U-14, U-16 or U-18 provincial championships shall also be considered an open player. A bye, defaulted or retired match in an OTA event does not constitute a win.

5. Governing Rules:

a) Refer to the current OPHEA safety guidelines for this sport

b) Ontario Tennis Association



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- c) **Tournament Play:** The tournament will be held at an indoor club at a shared cost per student. If an indoor facility is not available, then the convenor will try to find an outdoor facility.
 - i) All matches will be an eight (8) game pro set (no ad scoring with a tiebreaker at seven (7) all.
- d) **Ties:** In the event of a tie for the team championship, the team with the highest number of player(s) who have advanced the farthest will be declared the winner. (e.g., if one team's best result is the two (2) finalists and the other team's best result is the champion, then the team with the champion will be declared the winner.)
- e) **Dress:** Tennis clothes or school gym uniform, with non-marking running shoes, is the only acceptable dress.
- f) **Entry Fees:** To cover facility rental, tennis balls and miscellaneous expenses.
- g) **Date:** "The date of the YRAA Championships will be between the third week of September and the last week of October, depending on court availability.
- h) **Team Scoring:** Points for Placing
 - 1st Place = 8 points
 - 2nd Place = 5 points
 - 3rd Place = 3 points

5. Supervision of Teams/Individuals:

- a) All teams or individuals must have on site supervision by a member of the teaching staff or retired teacher from the school that they represent.
- b) This teacher shall be responsible to the YRAA for the conduct of his/her team and shall be the only person involved in all exchanges with officials, opposing teacher/coaches and member of school staffs.
- c) A non-teacher (community volunteer, parent, etc.) is permitted to assist in the coaching of an individual or team provided that a teacher is present and responsible.
- d) The teacher must be present on the bench for team sorts or in the immediate vicinity for all other sports.
- e) Unless the staff member (as defined in Section 1 a) above) of the competing school is present, the opposing teacher/coach and/or convenor shall not allow the game to begin or an individual to compete and the competition shall be forfeited.
- f) No teacher/coach shall officiate a game involving his/her team.
- g) It is the teacher/coaches' duty to ensure the accuracy of the information provided on the game sheets compared to the team's eligibility list.



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6. Awards: Championships:

Junior:

High School: 8 - 1st place medallions, 8 – 2nd place medallions

Senior:

High School: 8 – 1st place medallions, 8 – 2nd place medallions

Open : 8 – 1st place medallions, 8 – 2nd place medallions

Trophies and banners will be awarded to the team champions for High School Junior division, High School Senior division and Open Senior division

Bill Crothers is ineligible to win these team awards. For scoring purposes, Bill Crothers SS team and individual results will be omitted after the competition scoring has been done. Final results for events will be posted with Bill Crothers student/athletes included.