

HERTS TENNIS

Rules on Eligibility- Hertfordshire Summer doubles Leagues

Replace existing Rules 7 and 10 with the following:

7. Nominations and eligibility of players

7.1 No playing member of a club may play in more than 8 Inter-club matches or for more than 2 teams.

7.2 No player shall be entitled to play in the Competition for more than one club during one season, other than in exceptional circumstances, and only then after permission has been obtained in writing from the Executive Committee.

7.3 The qualification to play for a club shall be bona-fide playing membership of that club of at least 14 days standing prior to a match.

7.4 Any Club with 2 teams in the same group must play the match between its two teams before any other and in any case not later than the end of May.

7.4.1 If a club has 2 or more teams in the same group, then a player can only play matches for one of those teams throughout the entire season.

10. Grouping arrangements for each new competition - arrangements for promotion and regulation of teams

10.1 For each Competition, the teams entered shall be arranged in Groups by the Executive Committee in accordance with the results of the Competition in the previous year, and in conformity with the provisions of Regulation 9.

10.2 The teams finishing last in the Championship group in the previous year may be relegated to the group 1A. The teams finishing last but one in the Championship group in the previous year may be relegated to the group 1B. The teams finishing first in groups 1A and 1B will be promoted to the Championship group.

10.3 The team finishing in the last place in either sub-division of a Group (except the lowest Group) may be relegated to second place in the same sub-division of the Group immediately below.

10.4 The team finishing in the last place but one in sub-division (B) of a Group may be relegated to first place in sub-division (A) of the Group immediately below.

10.5 The team finishing in the last place but one in sub-division (A) of a Group may be relegated to first place in sub-division (B) of the Group immediately below.

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10.6 In ALL Groups below Championship, 1(A) and 1(B):-

10.6.1 The team finishing in the first place in sub-division (A) of a Group may be promoted to last place but one in sub-division (B) of the next higher Group.

10.6.2 The team finishing in the first place in sub-division (B) of a Group may be promoted to last place but one in sub-division (A) of the next higher Group.

10.6.3 The team finishing in second place of either sub-division of a Group may be promoted to the last place in the same sub-division of the next higher Group.

10.7 If, under the above procedure, more than one team from the same club reach the same Group, the Executive Committee shall have power to place them in separate sub-divisions of the same Group, but if by doing so this displaces another team from a subdivision, the displaced team shall remain in the same Group, but in the opposite sub-division.

10.8 Teams not entered in the Competition in the previous year shall be placed in either sub-division of the lowest Group, except where the Executive Committee considers that the standard of play of any such team warrants its placing in any vacancy that may occur in any higher Group.

10.9 Not more than seven teams shall be accommodated in any Group. There may also be eight teams in the bottom Group or sub-division if the total number of teams make this desirable.

10.10 Where, in the opinion of the Executive, the performance of a team competing the previous year has proved exceptional, the team may be promoted to a higher Group than that into which they would normally have been placed under the above procedure. This will be dependent upon there being a vacancy in an appropriate higher Group.

10.11 Each team shall play one match only against each of the other teams in their Group (or sub-division of a Group).