



Senior Men's Tennis League 2025/2026

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Senior Men's Tennis League - Overview

- The season typically goes from mid October to the end of February with each team playing one home game and one away game with each of the other teams in the league
- The minimum age is 35 years or older
- The four court combinations are as follows:
 - MD 80s – minimum combined age of the players must be 80 or above
 - MD 95s - minimum combined age of the players must be 95 or above
 - MD 110s – minimum combined age of the players must be 110 or above
 - MD 125s - minimum combined age of the players must be 125 or above
- Players ages are based on **calendar year** – same as tournament play. As a result, there may be some additional combinations in January.
- Each match is two hours in length – matches are best 2 out of 3 sets based on time (10 point tie-break may be used instead of 3rd set if time is running out (< 40 min))
- Matches are typically played on the weekend, with each team having a home time on either Saturdays or Sundays.
- Scheduling of league matches is done in September with consultation from the team captains regarding any facility constraints
- The Senior Men's League typically has their playoffs and dinner in late February or early March. Playoffs are typically a full day of tennis followed by a wrap-up dinner.

Senior Men's Tennis League - Team Obligations

- Each team will typically have between 12 and 20 players to allow for age combinations and player availability
- Each team will travel to other team's locations for their away matches. The current teams in the league for the 2025-2026 season are:
 - Burnaby, Hazelmere, Jericho, North Shore, Richmond Country Club, Vancouver Lawn, West Vancouver and a combined Arbutus / Hollyburn team.
- Each team will need to provide 4 courts for 2 hours at their location for 7 home games, and provide four tins of (Pro Penn) tennis balls (same as tournaments).
- Each home team will provide a light lunch and refreshments following each match.
- Typically the team captain will organize the players for the home and away matches, and look after the player's allocation of finances, which may include court costs, tennis balls (home matches), light lunch & refreshments (home games).
- The team captain is responsible for ensuring the combined ages of the players on each of his team's courts meet the minimum requirements (i.e. 80, 95, 110, 125).
- Each team captain also liaises with the other team captains 3-4 days in advance of their upcoming matches. Hosting team shall advise the visiting team of their club's rules or protocols that may be specific to the host club.
- Each home captain is responsible for sending in the scores to Greg Rash (glrash@shaw.ca) within 24-48 hours of the match being played.

Senior Men's Tennis League - Timeline

- Team captains will be contacted in September to have input into the league schedule (re: any facility constraints when league matches can not be hosted) and to confirm their home times and contact information of team captains and their alternates.
- League Schedule is produced (typically mid to late September)
 - League schedule is from mid-October (starts October 11th weekend this year) to the end of February
 - Two weekends – Dec 20th, Dec 27th – are excluded for the Christmas holidays
- Match Play (October to February)
 - HOME Team Captains submit scores to Greg Rash, ideally within 24 hours of the league match being played
 - League Standings and Player Statistics are updated after each weekend on the website, with its link distributed to team captains
- Playoff and Dinner Planning (October / November or earlier)
 - Planning of Playoffs and the wind-up dinner starts in order to present possible alternatives and finalize a plan
- Playoffs & Wind-up Dinner (end of February or early March – subject to venue availability)
- Scheduling & Results - performed by Greg Rash
- Oversight Committee Members are: Greg Rash, Scott Braley, Stephen Keys