# ITF Coaches Education Programme 

# Coaching Beginner and Intermediate Players Course 

## ITF COMPETITIONS FORMATS - 2

## Knock-out Competitions

- Continuous Feed in Event
- Rated Draw
- Eliminates one sided matches
- Block seeds play later
- Attract best players
- Staggered Draw
- Double Elimination Event
- Double Elimination Draw


## Ladder

- Place the players in order
- Challenge 1 or 2 places above
- If challenger wins
- Takes the loser's place
- Exchange places on ladder
- Challenger loses
- One challenge per week
- Does not take up challenge
- Pyramid ladder

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## Group Ladder

- Place the players in groups of 4 to 6
- Challenge all players in their group
- Challenge up
- Challenger wins
- Challenger loses


## Team Competitions Format

- Rotational Tennis
- Court rotation system
- Different activities
- Grand Slam Tennis
- Divide players into 3 ability levels
- Round robin doubles event
- Team Tennis
- Divide students into teams depending on facilities
- Teams play each other at least once

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## Team Competition Format

- Davis Cup Competition
- Tie - 4 singles and 1 doubles
- Different competition formats
- Promotion and regulation
- Fed Cup
- Home and away basis
- Qualifying event - 2 singles and 1 doubles
- Conclusion


## Team Competition Format

- Singles and DoublesClub, School, City, State, Country
- Age Category
- Gender
- Flexible Team Competition
- Student population changes
- Singles and Doubles Team competition with Substitutions
- Match more even

| a) Boys or girls, singles and doubles team competition | b) Combined boys and girls, singles and doubles team competition |
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| 1. Minimum of 2 boys/girls <br> 2. 2 boys singles <br> 3. 1 boys doubles | 1. Minimum of 2 boys and 2 girls <br> 2. 1 boys singles <br> 3. 1 girls singles <br> 4. 1 boys doubles <br> 5. 1 girls doubles 1 mixed doubles |
| 1. Minimum of 4 boys/girls <br> 2. 3 boys singles <br> 3. 2 boys doubles <br> - or <br> 1. 4 boys singles <br> - 1 boys doubles | 1. Minimum of 3 boys and 3 girls <br> 2. 2-3 boys singles <br> 3. $\quad 2-3$ girls singles <br> 4. 1 boys doubles <br> 5. 1 girls doubles <br> - 1 mixed doubles |
| 1. Minimum of 6 boys/girls <br> 2. 6 singles <br> 3. 3 doubles |  |

## Team Competitions Format

- The Van Alen Cup
- Team Dual meets
- Two Teams of 6 players
- Team Captains
- 10 Games
- Winner
- Doubles Team event

Round I
A1 vs. B1
A2 vs. B2
A3 vs. B3
Round I
A4 vs. B4
A5 vs. B5
A6 vs. B6

Round I
2 vs. 2
3 vs. 1
1 vs. 3

Round II
A1 vs. B2
A2 vs. B3
A3 vs. B1
Round II
A4 vs. B5
A5 vs. B6
A6 vs. B4

Round II
3 vs. 3
1 vs. 2
2 vs. 1

Round III
A1 vs. B3
A2 vs. B1
A3 vs. B2
Round III
A4 vs. B6
A5 vs. B4
A6 vs. B5

Round III
1 vs. 1
2 vs. 3
3 vs. 2

## Doubles Competition Format

- "Luck of the Draw" Doubles
- Each student given a number
- All numbers placed in hat
- Matches played with set time limit
- Numbers drawn again for 2 round
- Add up scores at end of session
- Doubles Tennis
- Divide class into 2 groups, A and B
- Players in Group A play with Group B


## Triples Tennis

- Teams comprises of 3 players
- Normal doubles court
- Alternate service games
- All 3 players receive serve in turn
- Begin with 1-up and 2-back
- Rally
- No player allowed to hit two balls in a row
- After return anything goes
- All other rules apply

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## Divide and Conquer

- No ultimate winner
- Round 1-Winners go east, losers west
- Round 2-
- Need draw


## Family Championship

- Families compete together
- Played over weekend
- Four game Round Robin Doubles
- Sample categories
- Two categories play simultaneously
- Limit categories a family can enter to 4

| Saturda <br> y: | A.M. Father/Son <br> Mother/Daughter | Sunda <br> $\mathrm{y}:$ | A.M. Brother/Sister <br> Husband/Wife |
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|  | P.M. Father/Daughter <br> Mother/Son | P.M. Sister/Sister <br> Brother/Brother |  |

## Doubles Competition Format

- Jai Alai Tennis
- 8 Doubles team per court
- Play best 2 out of 3 points
-7 victories is the winner
- Play with money
- American Doubles or Progressive whist
- Partners change every round
- Players carry their score with them
- Century Doubles
- Generation Gap


## Competition Formats based on score

- No-Ad Scoring
- Third set Tie-Breaker
- Second serve only
- Tie-Breaker King
- Table-Tennis Scoring
- Volleyball/Squash Scoring


## Handicapped Scoring

- Free Handicap
- Fixed Handicap
- Depending on the Score of the set
- Flexible Handicap

|  | GAMES |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |  |
| $\mathbf{1 / 6}$ of $\mathbf{1 5}$ |  | $15 / 30$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathbf{2 / 6}$ of $\mathbf{1 5}$ |  | $15 / 30$ |  | $15 / 30$ |  |  |  |
| $\mathbf{3 / 6}$ of $\mathbf{1 5}$ |  | $15 / 30$ |  | $15 / 30$ |  | $15 / 30$ |  |
| $\mathbf{4 / 6}$ of $\mathbf{1 5}$ | $15 / 30$ | $15 / 30$ |  | $15 / 30$ |  | $15 / 30$ |  |
| $\mathbf{5} / \mathbf{6}$ of $\mathbf{1 5}$ | $15 / 30$ | $15 / 30$ | $15 / 30$ | $15 / 30$ |  | $15 / 30$ |  |
| $\mathbf{1 5}$ | $15 / 30$ | $15 / 30$ | $15 / 30$ | $15 / 30$ | $15 / 30$ | $15 / 30$ |  |

## Handicapped Scoring

- Equalising Handicap
- Rule, Stroke or Zone Handicap
- French Handicap system
- Doubles Handicapping
- "Chit" Handicapping

| SERIES | First | Second | Third | Fourth |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  | Promotion | $15 / 1$ | $30 / 1$ |
|  |  | -30 | $15 / 2$ | $30 / 2$ |
|  |  | -15 | $15 / 3$ | $30 / 3$ |
|  |  | $-4 / 6$ | $15 / 4$ | $30 / 4$ |
|  |  | $-2 / 6$ | $15 / 5$ | $30 / 5$ |
|  |  | 0 | 30 |  |
|  |  | $1 / 6$ |  |  |
|  |  | $2 / 6$ |  |  |
|  |  | $3 / 6$ |  |  |

## Competition Formats based on score

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- King of the court
- Player A vs. B, C waits
- After point Player A vs. C, B waits
- Winners score points
- Players B and C need to win 3 points to take over Player A
- Variation
- One point only tournament
- Matches played in tournament format with only one point being played per match

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## Competition formats based on time

- Time Tennis
- Move Up/Move Down Single and Doubles
- Timed tennis event
- Winners move up, losers down
- Players play in half court
- Score kept as follows:
- Player wins most games
- Player stays at top court the longest
- Organized with doubles teams

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## Competitions based on time

- Move up/mode down Mixer Doubles tournament
- Rotation
- Even number of players
- Odd number of players
- Types of rotation

| SYSTEM | CHARACTERISTICS |
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| Number of repetitions | Each player gets a specific number of balls (2-8) and then rotates. It is better not to hit 1 ball and then rotate. |
| Time | Each player gets a specific amount of time (e.g. 5 sec ) and then rotates. |
| Scoring | The player who wins the point stays and the loser comes out (players play a maximum of 2 points). |
| Errors | Players rotate after they make an error or a given number of errors. |
| King of court | Player who scores 3 points first goes by himself. |

## 12 or 24 hours

- Doubles Round Robin
- Last 12 or 24 hours
- 12 hours
- 2 teams competing
- 25 matches League A and B
- Teams play 25 minutes
- 2 court needed
- Play commences at 8am
- Each doubles match lasts 25 minutes

| League A |  | League B |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Red <br> Team | Green <br> Team | Red <br> Team | Green <br> Team |
| R2 | G1 | R6 | G6 |
| R3 27 | G3 | R8 | G7 |
| R4 8 |  |  |  |
| R5 | G4 | R9 | G9 |
| R10 | G10 |  |  |

## The 'Pepe Gasco’ Tournament

- Teams
- Matches
- Scheduling of matches and match format as per table below
- Scoring

| Singles and Doubles | Doubles |
| :---: | :---: |
| - Red 1 against Green 1 <br> - Red 1 against Blue 1 <br> - Red 1 against Yellow 1 <br> - Red 1 and Red 2 against Green 1 and Green 2 <br> - Red 1 and Red 2 against Blue 1 and Green 2 <br> - Red 1 and Red 2 against Yellow 1 and Green 2 | - Red 9 and Red 10 against Green 9 and Green 10 <br> - Red 9 and Red 10 against Blue 9 and Green 10 <br> - Red 9 and Red 10 against Yellow 9 and Green 10 <br> - Red 9 and Red 10 against Green 11 and Green 12 <br> - Red 9 and Red 10 against Blue 11 and Green 12 <br> - Red 9 and Red 10 against Yellow 11 and Green 12 |

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