

Brighton Tennis Club - Adult Mixed Singles Tennis Ladder

Rules 2016

All adult members of the BTC are welcome to join the mixed singles ladder. Please email info@brightontennisclub.ca if you are interested in joining and you will be contacted by the facilitator who will send players' contact info and current MSL rankings.

1. The Ladder officially begins May 15, 2016 and will end September 30, 2016. All players who have expressed interest in playing on the ladder will be contacted by the facilitator by email before May 1.
2. The initial ranking of the players on the ladder is based on 2015 rankings. Any player who joins the ladder after May 1 or who didn't play in the ladder in 2015 will automatically be added to the bottom of the ladder regardless of ability (see #4 for challenge rules for new players).
3. It is up to the challenger to make contact with their opponent. You may challenge anyone else on the ladder, up to and including 3 places above you. (Don't forget to check your emails regularly for the latest rankings before making a challenge as positions may have changed since you last played.)
4. Any new player's **first** challenge is a "free" challenge -- any position on the ladder is able to be challenged. If the new player loses, they stay on the bottom; if they win, they take that position on the ladder and everybody else moves down one number. After their first challenge, they will continue to make challenges as per #3.
5. Play will consist of one 10-game "Pro Set" (win by two). However, if both players are agreed, they may play best of three sets, with tie-breakers (first to 7 points; win by two) if time/light of day allows.
6. A match played may not be re-challenged immediately. (e.g. If #8 challenges and plays #7, regardless of the outcome, these two players may not re-challenge one another without at least one of them playing a challenge match with a different player.) This will prevent one player from "hounding" another ... and promote match variety.
7. Each player is expected to play at least one match every 2 week interval, otherwise HE or SHE will be dropped TWO positions.
8. A player who is challenged must agree to a match with the challenger no later than two weeks after the challenge has been made unless the challenged player is unable to play due

to injury, holiday etc. in which case they must contact the facilitator immediately.

9. The challenger is responsible for providing reasonable tennis balls for the match.

10. It is the responsibility of the winner of the match to report the score to the MSL facilitator by email within 24 hours.

11. The Brighton Tennis Club assumes no responsibility for accidents or injury due to the nature of the activities.

POSITIONS ON THE LADDER FOLLOWING COMPLETION OF A MATCH CHANGE AS FOLLOWS:

a. If the winner has the higher position , there is no change.

b. If the winner has the lower position, he or she takes over the higher position. The calculation is based on the position of the two players when the match is recorded, not those at the time the challenge is made. It's not unusual to find the positions of the players have changed during that interval. Please observe good sportsmanship and play your match even if you find your respective positions have changed.

c. For new players, please see #4 above regarding first challenge rules.

d. An updated MSL ranking list will be emailed to all participants within 24 hours of any changes.

NB. The list of player email addresses and phone numbers is private and confidential and is meant for MSL challenge purposes only.

Have a smashing time!