

NORTHERN DIVISION TARANAKI LAWN TENNIS ASSOCIATION

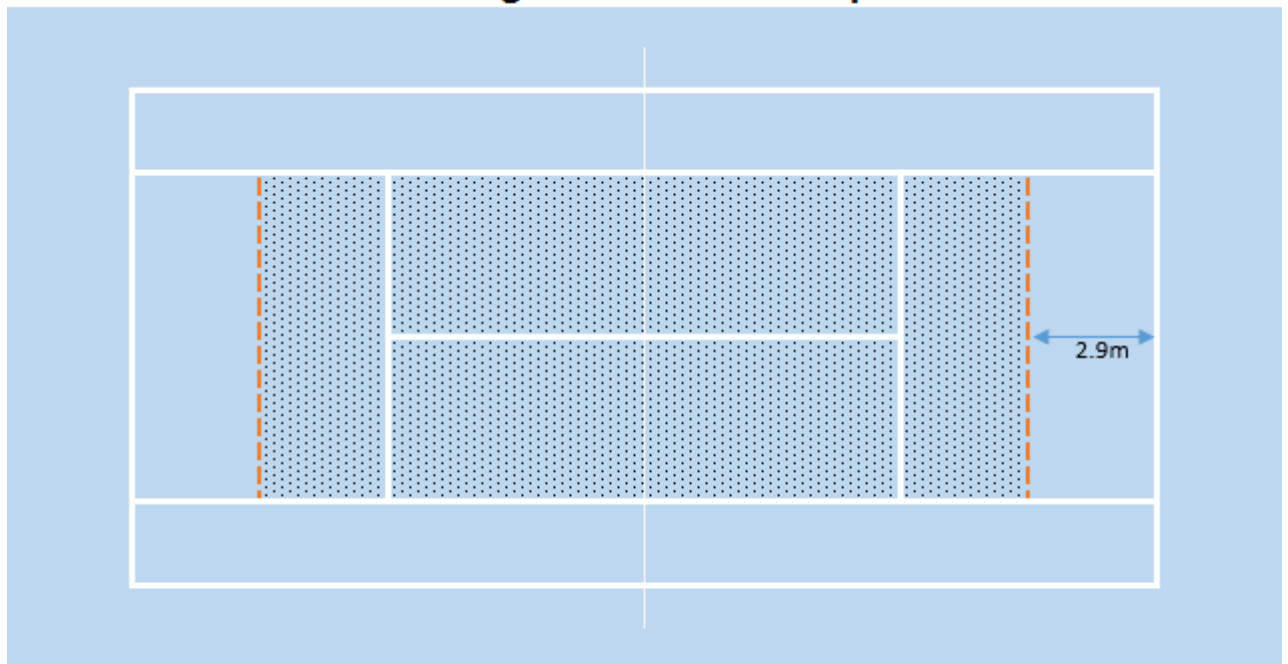
Orange Grade and Green Grade Competition Rules 2016/2017

- Matches commence at 3:45pm Fridays
Arrive at club at 3:30pm for warm up to be ready to start match at 3:45pm.
- Home team is listed first on the draw
- At least 2 courts must be available for a match at the home court.
- Teams can be made up of boys and girls or 4 boys or 4 girls.
- Play singles and doubles. Doubles to be played in singles order (1&2, 3&4)

Orange Grade (old Jnr B)	Green Grade (old Jnr A)
Orange Dot Ball ¾ size court (use drop lines to mark base line) Singles lines to be used as width for singles and doubles	Green Dot Ball Full size court
Singles – first to win 7 games, short deuces, no tiebreaks, no need to win by a margin of 2 games.	Singles – best of 3 sets (sets to 4 with a margin of 2 games unless it reaches 4 games all, then sudden death, ie next <u>game</u> wins). Super tiebreaker (to 10) for the 3 rd set if one set each. Normal deuces.
Doubles – first to win 5 games, short deuces, no tiebreaks, no need to win by a margin of 2 games.	Doubles – first to win 5 games, no tiebreaks, no need to win by a margin of 2 games, short deuces*
Up to 11 yrs/up to yr 6 approximately	Up to 13 yrs/up to yr 8 approximately
Players may bounce the ball to serve	Players serve over head
No high school students in this grade	No high school students in this grade unless started high school half way through season in January
<i>*Short deuce = whenever the score reaches deuce, the next point wins the game. The receiving team can nominate who the server serves to on the deuce point.</i>	Strong players should be encouraged to play Youth Grade

- Each team shall supply 4 balls for the match. (Green for Green Grade, Orange for Orange Grade)
- There must be an adult supervisor from the club at each venue.
- Scoresheets must be filled out before the start of each match. One sheet is required from each team. SCORESHEETS MUST HAVE SURNAMES INCLUDED AND BE LEGIBLE.
- Points will be awarded for each match won with the winning team receiving an additional 2 bonus points for the win (eg 4-2 means the winner gets 6 points and the loser gets 2 points). In the case of a draw (3-3) the bonus point will be shared 1 each (there is no count back on sets or games unless it is a semi final or final where a winning team needs to be determined).
- Abandonment of play due to weather or safety factors is to be decided by all supervisors. Points for matches not completed are divided evenly between the 2 teams.
- Points are awarded 3 -3 for rained off ties. Score sheets must still be sent in for rain offs to let the recorder know. Rained out ties will be played at the discretion of the management committee if needed to settle final order.
- If the team is 1 player short the match can still proceed but the opposing team must be informed prior. Advise which ranking is missing so the opposite player of the same ranking will stand down. If 2 players are missing, the team must default and the opposing team must be informed prior and a result sheet sent to the recorder.
- A team list of players in their playing order is to be forwarded to the recorder, due date after the second tie of the round. Wildcards must be used if players are not members of the tennis club.
- Players in semi finals and finals should be the players that play regularly for that team.
- Completed and signed sheets from each team are to be forwarded to The Recorder by 4pm on the Tuesday following the match. Email to Steve Phelps – jsphelps@xtra.co.nz or deliver to 121 Brooklands Road.
Points will be collated on configure rankings: <http://www.tennis.org.nz/>
Contact the Recorder for any queries regarding the rules.

Orange Grade Court Setup



Use drop down lines to create the base line (orange line)
The dotted shaded area is the playing area for both singles and doubles
Serve from the orange base line into the normal service box

Note: examples of possible final scores for Green Grade Singles:

4-0

4-1

4-2

5-3 (the set has to go to 5 in order to win by a 2 game margin)

5-4 (this is where the score has reached 4 games all and the next game is the decider)