

TENNIS SCORING

Game Scoring

<u>Points won</u>		<u>Score you say out loud</u>
0 Points	=	Love
1 Point	=	15
2 Points	=	30
3 Points	=	40
3 Points each or any tie score after (4-4, 5-5, etc.)	=	Deuce
Server has 1 more point than receiver after deuce	=	Ad In
Receiver has 1 more point than server after deuce	=	Ad Out

To win a **game** you must win at least 4 points and win by two points.

To win a **set** you must win at least 6 games and win by two games.

To win a **match** you must win two sets.

One player serves an entire game as explained above. Always start serving from the right side of the court when facing the net into the diagonal box across the net. You get two serves to get the ball in the correct box. Alternate sides (right, left, right, left, etc.) for each point.

Set Scoring

After each odd numbered game is completed players switch ends of the court. So after the 1st game, 3rd game, 5th game, etc.

A set can end with a score of : 6-0, 6-1, 6-2, 6-3, 6-4, 7-5, or 7-6. If each player or team has won 6 games a tie break is played and then the set score would end up 7-6. If this should happen to you during a match a coach will help you score the tie break.

Match Scoring

Once a set is finished another one is played. If the same player or team wins both sets that player wins the match. If the two players or teams each win a set, then whoever wins the third set wins the match.

A varsity team match is made up of 7 such matches (4 singles players and 3 doubles teams) Whichever team wins 4 or more of these individual matches wins the entire match. Therefore it is possible to win your individual match while your team loses the overall match, or lose your individual match while your team wins the overall match (just like wrestling).

*****Sometimes at the JV level alternative scoring is used. During a game the scoring may be NO AD which means the game ends as soon as one player (team) earns 4 points. If the score is 3 all in the game, the receiver gets to choose which box the ball is served toward. Whoever wins that point will win the game. Often instead of a best of 3 set match, a *proset* will be used. This may be played just like a regular set as described above, but may go to 7, 8, 9, or 10 games.**

If you have questions please just ask a COACH!