TENNIS RULES
CHICO STATE INTRAMURAL SPORTS

In cases where a rule is not directly outlined in the following rules, the Intramural Sports Staff, Competitive Sports Coordinator, and/or the Assistant Director reserve the right to use common sense, fairness and the “Spirit of the Game” in providing interpretations on the rules, policies and procedures.

INCLUSION
Intramural Sports values diversity and seeks to create a safe and fun environment that is accessible to the Chico State Community. Intramural Sports is committed to maintaining an environment without discrimination as to race, religion, national origin, gender identity/expression or sexual orientation.

CONDUCT
The Chico State Intramural Sports program promotes good sportsmanship by staff, participants, and spectators. We request everyone’s cooperation by supporting the participants and staff in a positive manner. Profanity, racial or ethnic comments, anti-LGBTQ comments or other intimidating actions directed at staff, participants, or other spectators will not be tolerated and are grounds for removal from the site of competition and further disciplinary action.

ACCIDENT INSURANCE
The State of California and Chico State cannot accept liability for injuries. Participants are encouraged to provide their own accident insurance. Participants are not insured by Chico State or the State of California. Insurance is available at the University Health Center.

GENERAL
In order to participate a valid CSUC or photo ID is required for check-in at each game. Any problems with lost, stolen and/or misplaced IDs must be taken care of prior to game time.

BLOOD RULE
A player with a bloody injury or blood on his/her clothing must leave the game. The player may not return to the game until the wound is no longer bleeding, the wound is covered and/or the clothing is changed.

FORFEITS
A. Match time is forfeit time.
B. No Show = No one shows up to a schedule game and the Intramurals Office was not contacted. A No Show can result in elimination from end of the season playoff participation.
C. Forfeit = The Rec. Sports Office is notified of a forfeit by 3pm on match day. One notification of a forfeit to Intramural Sports made by 3pm on match day will not result in removal from league or postseason.
D. Multiple forfeits may result in elimination from the end of the season playoff participation.

**THE COURT**

A. All matches will be played at Yolo Tennis Courts:
   - No chewing gum and/or sunflower seeds are allowed in player boxes and/or on the playing surface.

**EQUIPMENT**

A. Participants are encouraged to provide their own racquet.
B. Intramural Sports will have some racquets available for use.
C. Intramural Sports will provide all other necessary equipment.

**GAME PLAY**

A. The first player to win 4 points wins a game.
B. The time limit on each game is 40 minutes.
C. Games will be played best of 1 set – 6 games.
D. Choice of side and right to be server or receiver shall be decided by the toss of a coin and/or racquet spin. The player winning the toss may choose:
   - To serve or receive
   - The side of the court

**SCORING**

Scoring is as follows:
- Love
- 15
- 30
- 40
- Deuce
- Game

*No ad scoring*

**RULES**

A. All rules are governed by the USTA, unless specified below.
B. Participants must officiate their own matches. If there’s a discrepancy on a call, that serve/point shall be replayed. If the ball contacts anyone during play, the point is awarded to the other player.
C. If you reach deuce (40-40) the receiving individual decides the side of the serve (right or left).