2011 TENNIS RULES MEETING

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Welcome to the online 2011 Tennis Rules meeting. My name is Craig Ihnen, Tennis Administrator for the Iowa Girls High School Athletic Union. And I am Alan Beste, Assistant Executive Director of the Iowa High School Athletic Association. We want to let you know as the presentation is beginning that you should not close, pause, fast forward or reverse your browser anytime during this presentation.

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The tennis coaches advisory committee for the both the Boys Association and Girls Union are listed on this slide. Both committees meet annually to discuss items that are relative to the tennis season. If you have suggestions or concerns regarding tennis, please feel free to contact the members of your advisory committee.

Administrative Information

FIRST PRACTICE DATE FOR BOYS AND GIRLS TENNIS

- Monday, March 14, 2011 FIRST COMPETITION DATE FOR GIRLS
- Wednesday, March 23, 2011 FIRST COMPETITION DATE FOR BOYS
- Monday, March 28, 2011
- Students ineligible under the Scholarship Rule begin ineligibility on the first competition date and are ineligible for 30 calendar days.
- Eligibility is regained on the 31st day.





The first practice date for both boys and girls tennis is Monday, March 14.

The first competition date for boys and girls tennis is Monday, March 28.

The first day students are ineligible under the Scholarship Rule is Monday, March 28.

Eligibility is regained on Wednesday April 27.

Administrative Information

- The meet limitation for boys tennis is 12 regular season dates/competitions. A school may schedule 12 varsity and 12 sub-varsity dates.
- Double duals held on **Saturday ONLY** count as ONE date/competition.
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Scrimmages

- In boys tennis, each school is allowed **ONE scrimmage date** to be used after the completion of district play and before the State Team Tournament.
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Practice Facilities

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Coed Participation

- There is no coed interscholastic competition in tennis with the exception of the State Coed Tennis Tournament.
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IHSAA/IGHSAU Coaching Opportunities

- Only school-approved coaches may coach their players from the time the players take the court to warm up for their match until the match is over.
- Coaching opportunities exist during 90-second changeovers and during set breaks. The clock starts on changeovers and set breaks when the last point is scored. No waiting for the opposing coach.
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Time Between Sets

- Maximum of 2 minutes is allowed between the 1st and 2nd sets.
- Maximum of 10 minutes is allowed between the 2nd and 3rd sets.
- Maximum of 3 minutes is allowed between the 2^{nd} set and 10-Point Match Tie-Break, if a 10-Point Match Tie-Break will be played in lieu of a 3^{rd} set.
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- Indicate what kind of scoring will be used for the meet.
- Discuss coaching opportunities, changeovers, breaks between sets, and the tie break procedure.
- Review the rule regarding when coaching can take place and that only coaches, or teammates, may talk to players during a match, including set breaks.
- Remind coaches that the coach from any school at the meet may issue a sportsmanship warning to any player.
- Remind players and coaches to follow the 10-minute warm up period.
- Remind players the server MUST announce the score before every point, loudly enough for the receiver to hear.





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- Ask players to confirm the match score on every changeover and, if score cards are being used, to change the score on every changeover.
- Emphasize that players are calling their own lines and should not allow spectators to influence their calls. Once a player makes a call, it becomes history and everyone moves on.
- Remind players to avoid foot faults when serving.
- Ask players to leave the court when their match is over. They may watch any remaining matches with the other spectators.
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- In the event inclement weather causes play to stop during the regular season the following procedure should be used:
 - The head coaches from each participating school will jointly decide when to suspend play due to inclement weather, with the head coach from the host school having the final authority.
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SPORTSMANSHIP OF PLAYERS

- Profanity, racket throwing or other unsportsmanlike acts cannot be tolerated.
- Each coach is responsible for ensuring that their players comply with the sportsmanship code.
- An opposing coach has equal responsibility, and authority, for enforcing the sportsmanship code for any players.
- A contestant may be given a warning, or disqualified, on the first violation depending upon the severity of the acts determined by the meet management. THE SECOND WARNING TO THE SAME INDIVIDUAL IS AN AUTOMATIC DISQUALIFICATION & EJECTION.



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- If a student athlete is ejected from a singles match, the ejection rule is enforced for that particular player in both singles and doubles.
- The player's doubles partner will not be penalized as a substitute may replace the ejected player in doubles play. This substitute player must be one who was not originally in the doubles line-up, and the doubles team positions cannot be realigned.
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Uniforms

IHSAA UNIFORM POLICY

- For boys tennis, only school-issued/approved uniforms are acceptable
 - Football jerseys & tanks tops are **NOT** acceptable.
- If a team does not have a school-issued uniform, a plain T-shirt of a single color with no design, exclusive of the manufacturer's logo, or a high school tennis tournament T-shirt, is acceptable.
- **Tennis shorts shall be worn.** Players shall not be permitted to wear an undergarment, or tights, which extend below the tennis shorts, except through a medically authorized waiver.



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IGHSAU UNIFORM POLICY

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Medical Time-Outs

- <u>Medical time-outs</u>, <u>including those for bleeding</u>, may be of a reasonable length to evaluate and treat an injury and clean blood from players or any surface.
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Time-Outs for Muscle Cramping

- A medical time-out may be taken for the 1st instance of muscle cramping.
- Subsequent occurrences of muscle cramping during the match, even if the cramping is in different areas of the body, are subject the point penalty system according to USTA rules.
 - The second time a player, or doubles team, must stop playing due to muscle cramps a match point is awarded to the opponent.
 - The third time a player, or doubles team, must stop playing due to muscle cramps one game is awarded to the opponent.
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- **Note 1:** After each individual cramping occurrence, play must continue or the player, or doubles team, must injury default.
- Note 2: ONLY ONE medical time-out may be taken in a match for the same injury or condition, i.e. cramping even if the cramping is in different areas of the body.
- Note 3: The cramping penalty system is sequential and does not start over with each set. It carries over throughout the entire match. Example: If a player, or doubles team, has already been assessed a one match point cramping penalty in the second set any muscle cramps occurring again in the 3rd set, to an individual player or either member of the doubles team, shall result in a one-game cramping penalty being assessed.
- Note 4: Singles and doubles competition are considered separate matches when applying the time out procedure for cramping.
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Additional information about muscle cramping appears on this slide and in the Boys and Girls online Tennis Handbooks.

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Tournament Dates

Boys Tournament Dates

- District meets Thursday, May 12
- Preliminary Sub-state Meets Saturday, May 14
- Sub-state Meets Saturday, May 21
- State Individual Meet Friday & Saturday, May 27 & 28
- State Team Tennis Tuesday, May 31
- State Coed Meet Tuesday, June 7



The post season tournament dates for all classes of boys tennis are listed on this slide.

Tournament Dates

Girls Tournament Dates

- Regional Team Tennis Saturday, May 14
- Regional Individual Tennis Thursday, May 19
- Regional Team Tennis Saturday/Monday, May 21/23
- First Round Team State Tennis Monday/Tuesday, May 23/24
- State Individual Meet -Thursday & Friday, June 2 & 3
- State Team Tennis Saturday, June 4
- State Coed Meet Tuesday, June 7



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State Tournament Sites

Boys State Tournament Sites

- Class 1A State Singles & Doubles Byrne's Park, Waterloo
- Class 2A State Singles & Doubles Veteran's Memorial Tennis Center, Cedar Rapids
- Class 1A Team & Coed Tennis Johnston High School
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Boys State Singles & Doubles Qualifying System

- Singles and doubles champions and runners up from each of 8 district meets determine the 16 singles & doubles qualifiers for state tennis in each class.
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The next several slides deal with the state qualifying systems for boys and girls tennis.

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- By Monday morning no later than 9:00 a.m. following the regional individual play of the previous Thursday, the coaches of singles and doubles champions will e-mail or fax the qualifications of their Champion to the State Office for seeding purposes. Please use the e-mail address (craig@ihssa.org or FAX # 515-284-1969). If no information is received by 9:00 a.m. the coach of that Champion will not be allowed to vote for seeding. E-mail and FAXs can be sent any time after the regional individual play. Coaches of the 1A Champions will call in their vote between 10:00 a.m and 12:00 noon on Monday the 23rd. 2A coaches will call in their vote between 12:00 noon and 2:00 p.m. on the 23rd Please follow the times stated above for your call and use the 515-288-9741 number for your voting opportunity.

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Boys TEAM Tennis Qualifying System

- District team champions and the winners of the preliminary sub-state matches are paired at four substate sites.
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- The four state meet qualifying teams vote to determine the #1-#4 seeds.



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Girls TEAM Tennis Qualifying System

- All teams will be placed in brackets and all teams will play for the state tournament.
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Post-Season Dual Meet Format

IHSAA & IGHSAU Post-Season Dual Meet Format

- 6 singles and 3 doubles
- No-Ad scoring
- Matches end when either team has won five points
 - EXCEPTIONS:
 - In IGHSAU state semi-final outdoor play all 6 singles and 3 doubles matches are played.
 - In all IGHSAU team tournament play all 3rd sets will be played as the match tie-break.





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Post-Season Dual Meet Substitutions

IHSAA & IGHSAU Substitution Rule

- In singles play, all players will move up in position with the substitute taking the #6 position.
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Alcohol & Tobacco Products Prohibited

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 - Click on "Tennis"
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