



SPORTS for Exceptional Athletes Tennis Rules



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The Tennis Rules are based on USTA (United States Tennis Association).

1. Regular Events
 - a. Singles
 - b. Doubles
2. Modified Events
 - a. Modified Singles
 - i. More than 1 bounce allowed.
 - b. Modified Doubles
 - i. More than 1 bounce allowed.
 - c. Modified Mixed Doubles
 - i. 1 person with developmental disabilities paired with 1 person without developmental disabilities.
 - ii. More than 1 bounce allowed for person with developmental disabilities.
3. Duration of the Match
 - a. Regular Events – 1 Set
 - i. 1st player/team winning 4 points wins the game.
 - ii. 1st player/team winning 6 games wins the set, but must win by 2 games.
 - iii. If tied at 6 games each, then play a 9 point tie-breaker (1st player/team to win 5 points wins the set).
 - b. Modified Events
 - i. The Tournament Director determines how many games must be won to win the set and may make other modifications to enhance the experience for persons with developmental disabilities.
4. Future Rules
 - a. League play consisting of 4-6 players/teams per division playing a single or double round robin schedule throughout the season.
 - b. Doubles teams may be made up of athletes with developmental disabilities, families, friends and others in the community who want to play on inclusive doubles teams. Abilities should be at least relatively close between doubles team members.