

Hove Park Club tournament 2025 - Rules

****At the AGM it was emphasised the need to arrange matches and get them played promptly so the tournament can run fairly to all.****

To ensure the tournament runs smoothly for the benefit of everyone, the Rules to be followed are below (with additional notes):

- 1) Every Competitor is responsible for arranging matches they are in (please do not wait for others to make contact with you)
- 2) Matches are best of 3 sets, with a tie break at 6-6 in any set.
- 3) Matches are to be played by the dates shown on the Draw sheets.

All competitions except mixed doubles have the following deadlines (2025):

1st round: 13 June

2nd round: 18 July

Semi-finals: 6 September

Mixed doubles deadlines (2025):

1st round: 1 June

2nd round: 1 July

3rd round: 23 July

Semi-finals: 6 September

You must be available for Finals day Sunday 14th Sept 2025 (and 21st in case of rain)

- 4) If a match is not completed by the stated date, ALL players in that unplayed match will be scratched. If one pair feel they tried everything to arrange the match and that the opposing pair were culpable in the non-playing of the match, then they can appeal by email to Roland, with evidence of their communications, for a final decision on the matter.
- 5) Matches cannot be played on courts used during Club Evenings unless they become free later in the evening.
- 6) Results are to be given to Roland immediately after matches have been played (please also copy in hoveparktennis @ btinternet.com or on Club private Facebook group).
- 7) If you are unable to compete further, even for a temporary period, please inform Roland. Please also try and let your partner/opponents know.
- 8) A reminder will be sent if results have not been received by the stated date (but please do not wait for this – see Rule 4)
- 9) If you are not free on Finals Day you must withdraw from the Tournament asap.
- 10) If necessary the Tournament Directors will arbitrate in the event of a dispute (and have the final say).
- 11) If you have an injury last more than two weeks then you need to withdraw from the tournament, so you aren't holding it up.

Most important – Have fun and enjoy!! – Roland