

LYG Mini Red Tennis 2023

Entry Information & Rules



Event Overview

Date: Thursday 8th June 2023

Venue: Gunnersbury Park Sports Hub, W3 8LQ

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Entry Information

Squad Entry Deadline: Wednesday 24th May 2023

Squad on the Day: Minimum – 4 (2 boys & 2 girls) & Maximum – 6 (3 boys & 3 girls).

Competitions: Mixed competition.

Eligibility Criteria: N/A.

Age Categories

Age Category	Oldest DOB	Youngest DOB	Likely School Year
7 – 9 years old	01/09/2013	31/08/2015	Year 3 - 4

Full Rules & Regulations

MTEN 1 The London Youth Games Mini Red Tennis competition will run in according to the rules set out below.

MTEN 1.1 It will be at the sole discretion of the Competition Director as to the application of these rules, and any subsequent decision made as a result will be final.

MTEN 1.2 The Tournament Organisers reserve the rights to alter or amend the playing schedule if necessary and make decisions on any matters arising during the tournament, including any matters not covered by the tournament regulations.

MTEN 2 Age Category

MTEN 2.1 The following age groups and respective maximum and minimum date of births will apply to the School Games Mini Red Tennis Competition:

Age Category	Oldest DOB	Youngest DOB	Likely School Year
7-9 years old	01/09/2013	31/08/2015	Year 3 - 4



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MTEN 2.2 Competitors are not permitted to enter this competition if they are ineligible. No exceptions will be made.

MTEN 2.3 It is the responsibility of participants/teachers/School Games Organisers to ensure all competitors details are entered correctly at the time of submission.

MTEN 2.3.1 In the instance a competitor is found to be ineligible, they will be disqualified from the competition entirely.

MTEN 3 Squad Size Schools are permitted to enter a minimum of 4 competitors and a maximum of 6 competitors.

MTEN 3.1 Squad composition must be made up of a minimum of 4 = 2 boys & 2 girls and a maximum of 6 = 3 boys & 3 girls).

MTEN 3.2 Schools are permitted to bring all 6 competitors entered to the event on the day however only 4 will be able to play per match – 1 player per rubber.

MTEN 4 Kit & Equipment

MTEN 4.1 Please bring appropriate Mini Tennis rackets. Rackets no longer than 23” in length should be used – none will be provided.

MTEN 4.2 Mini Tennis Red felt balls are used for the competition.

MTEN 4.3 Please provide own warm up balls.

MTEN 5 Competition Format

MTEN 5.1 Each match consists of 4 players (2 boys and 2 girls). Players should be numbered 1 and 2, with the higher ability player as the number 1.

MTEN 5.2 There will be 4 rubbers:

- Boy 1 vs Boy 1 singles
- Boy 2 vs Boy 2 singles
- Girl 1 vs Girl 1 singles
- Girl 2 vs Girl 2 singles

MTEN 5.3 Matches will be 5-minutes long.

MTEN 5.4 AM Round Robin – winner of each group will advance to a finals knockout bracket.

MTEN 5.5 PM matches for teams that do not qualify to the finals, will be regrouped into the following:

- 2nd placed teams play for positions 9-16
- 3rd placed teams play for positions 17-24
- 4th placed teams play for positions 25-33

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MTEN 6 Competition Rules

MTEN 6.1 Once the team has commenced playing a rubber, no substitutions will be allowed except in the case of injury.

MTEN 6.2 The serve can be hit over or under arm. Serves should be hit diagonally, landing in the diagonally opposite service box. Players are allowed a second serve if the first is not successful.

MTEN 6.3 Simple numbered scoring is used i.e. 1,2,3,4 etc (instead of traditional tennis scoring of 15, 30, 40 etc).

MTEN 6.4 Players play each rubber for a set period of time, until the whistle blows. The length of matches depends on the time available and the number of entries although it will normally be around 5 minutes per match.

MTEN 6.5 At the end of each rubber, the final score entered would either be 4-0, 3-1, 2-2 as well as noting rubber scores. Each player will then rate their opponent privately on the Spirit of the Games value of honesty (see rule MTEN 7.3.1). This score will be added and combined to the overall match score.

MTEN 6.6 In the quarter finals, if the rubber is a draw when the whistle blows a further deciding point is to be played.

MTEN 6.7 Young leaders and officials will record the match score. Players call their own lines. It is important that players are honest and open about line calls to understand and demonstrate the honesty value.

MTEN 7 Overall Scoring Points will be awarded for each game to give a schools round robin standing.

MTEN 7.1 The overall match score and the Spirit of the Games score will give an overall score for each match.

MTEN 7.2 Group winners will be calculated by total rubber won. In the event of tie, the group position will be decided by the following:

- Total points won (all matches).
- Points difference (subtracting total points against from total points scored).
- Result of the match between the two tied teams.

MTEN 7.3 Spirit of the Games Scoring

MTEN 7.3.1 Following each rubber of each match players will privately rate their opponents on the Spirit of the Games value of honesty. The honesty score will have 3 levels as outlined below and these values points will be combined with the overall match score.

<u>Scoring Value: Honesty</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Occasions where the opposition did not openly admit to a line call or other tennis	0

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specific rule.	
There were positive signs of honesty by the opponent adhering to the rules.	1
Opposition showed exceptional honesty, helping others understand them where they may not have been aware.	2

MTEN 8 Medals & Trophies Medals and salver will be awarded as follows:

MTEN 8.1 Medals awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd places teams with salver presented to the winner of the competition.