

GENERAL ETIQUETTE FOR TEAM TENNIS
READ WTTA & USTA Rules for Further Clarification

1. Someone from the home club should greet the visiting team as they arrive and give them court assignments. If the home team is warming up, they should stop no later than 9:15 and go to their courts. Restroom breaks should be taken prior to this time, before going to the court with our opponents.
2. Know the position you are playing and the names of your opponents before you begin warm-up. i.e. spin the racket to determine sides.
3. A player should provide her opponent with a warm-up period, making a special effort to hit shots directly to her opponent.
4. Be cooperative and flexible in scheduling make-ups. If you are often unavailable, you may need to get a sub.
5. It is the players' obligation to call all balls fairly and honestly on their side of the net and to help opponents with a call when requested, if they can honestly do so.
6. The racket toss should be taken prior to the warm-up. The winner of the toss gets one of the following, and the loser get the next choice: A) Serve or receive, B) Which end to start the first game or C) have your opponent make the first choice.
7. To avoid controversy over the score, the server should announce the set score (5-4) before starting a game and the game score (30-40) out loud prior to serving each point.
8. When the wrong person is serving, or serving from the wrong end of the court, or from the wrong side of the court, correct the problem immediately. Do not wait until the end of the game. All points already played were played in good faith and stand.
9. If a doubles pair received out of their proper order, the receiving order remains as altered until the end of that game. The doubles pair then will return to their original receiving order for the next receiving game.
10. All warmup serves must be taken during the warmup time. Play must be continuous after the first ball of the match is served.
11. USTA rules allow 90 seconds during the change of court side on odd games and at the end of the set, and then 20 seconds between points. Teams are allowed 2 minutes between sets.
12. When a let is call during a 2nd service motion, then a 1st serve should be played.
13. Do not walk behind another court to retrieve your ball while play is in progress.
14. All players should wear proper tennis attire and court shoes according to the facility dress code.
15. Have fun and be a good sport, win or lose.

Coman Tie Break

Serving Order & Rotation

- **First Point:** Served by the player whose turn it is to serve after 6–6 (from the Deuce court).
- **Subsequent Points:** After the 1st point, every player serves **two points** in rotation until the tiebreak ends (starting from the Advantage court, then the Deuce court).

Changing Ends

- Change ends after **Point 1**.
- Change ends every **4 points** thereafter (e.g., after point 5, 9, 13, 17, etc.).
- Change ends at the **conclusion** of the tiebreak.

Set Tiebreak Format (Set 1 or 2)

- **Winning Criteria:** First team to **7 points** and leading by at least **2 points** wins the tiebreak and the set.
- **Score Recording:** Recorded as **7–6** for the set.
- **Next Set Transition:** The team that served first in the set (and served the 1st point of the tiebreak) **receives** to start the next set.

10-Point Match Tiebreak (3rd Set)

- **When Used:** Played when the match is tied at 1 set all.
- **First Serve:** Served by the team that **received** in the last game of the second set.
- **Winning Criteria:** First team to **10 points** and leading by at least **2 points** wins the match.
- **Score Recording:** Recorded as **1–0** for the third set.