

2025 HRTC Club Championship Rules

The following rules are intended to avoid any disputes which may arise during the course of club championships. The Tennis Committee will resolve all disputes.

1. The draw

All the championships will be drawn in February each year. Grading will be based on player's handicaps as of the time of draw. Players will need to sign up for entry prior to any entry cutoff date. A \$22 entry fee per grade will be charged to cover cost of club championship trophies. The grades will be filled as follows:

Class 1	All Men	5 sets
Class 2	Handicaps 20 and above	3 sets
Class 3	Handicaps 30 and above	3 sets
Class 4	Handicaps 40 and above	3 sets
Class 5	Handicaps 50 and above	3 sets
Class 6	Handicaps 60 and above	3 sets
Class 7	Handicaps 70 and above	3 sets
Women's Club Championship	All Ladies	3 sets
Junior Club Championship	Players aged 26 or younger as 1st of February	3 sets

****Players wishing to do so may play in any grade above the one they qualify for as well as their own.**

In all championships, players will be seeded based on handicaps - with qualifiers for the first round being played as necessary.

2. Scheduling

Each player is to make every reasonable effort to have each match arranged. The pros will make at least two attempts to confirm each match with the players concerned. Once a match is confirmed, a player may cancel once without penalty, provided this is done at least 24 hours before the match. On the second such occasion, the player will forfeit the match.

3. Matches

Two hours will be allocated for all matches - with player's accounts being billed for two hours regardless of the duration of the match.

Matches running into the next court booking may be completed with the consent of the players with the booking. If a match cannot be completed in these circumstances, then it will be continued at a later date. For the purposes of scheduling, the continuation will be played with the scores starting from where the original match left off.

The following penalties will be applied:

Late arrivals

- A late arrival is where a player is not on court ten minutes after the scheduled start of the match, based on the clubhouse clock. After this ten-minute period, one game will be awarded to the player's opponent(s) every three minutes until the player is on court.

Forfeits

- A player who is not on court for a confirmed match will forfeit the match.
- A player who cannot complete a match which has started will forfeit the match. The only exception is where the match is not completed before the next booking (see above).

4. Marking

Players will mark each of their own matches up until final stage where the Club Professionals shall mark each Club Championship final.

5. Club Championship Finals Scheduling

Players entering all club championship events will need to make themselves available for Club Championship Finals Weekend – November 14-16. Under extenuating circumstances, players may submit a request to the Tennis Subcommittee for a possible alternate finals time.

Further queries regarding Club Championship matches will be directed to the HRTC Tennis Committee.