## TENNIS

## EVENTS

Doubles
Mixed Doubles

## FLORIDA SENIOR STATE GAMES

Top 5 in each age group qualify for the Florida Senior State Games.

## ENTRY REGULATIONS

1. Athletes may compete with only one partner per event. An event is defined as Doubles or Mixed Doubles.
2. The age division of competition for Doubles will be determined by the lower age of the two partners.
3. Athletes must provide their own racquets and practice balls.

## FORMAT

1. Tournament format will be single elimination with first round consolation.
2. The Event Director reserves the right to modify tournament format.
3. Event Director reserves the right to modify any draw.

## SPORT RULES

1. All matches will be conducted in accordance with United States Tennis Association (USTA) rules, except as modified herein. For a copy of these rules, visit or contact:

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2. As a principle, play should be continuous, from the time the match starts (when the first service of the match is put in play) until the match finishes.
a. Between points, a maximum of twenty 20 seconds are allowed. This rule does not apply while a player chases stray balls.
b. When players change ends at the end of a game, a maximum of 90 seconds are allowed. Between the first and second set, a maximum of 120 seconds are allowed.
c. However, after the first game of each set and during a tie-break game, play shall be continuous and players shall change ends without a rest.
d. A five-minute break between the second set and the match tie-break set, if required, is permissible.
3. Matches shall be the best of three sets using regular scoring. The first two sets are tie-break sets, first to win six games wins that set, provided there is a margin of two games won. If the score reaches six games all, a tie-break game will be played (first to win seven points with a two point margin wins the set). In the event a third set is required, it will be a USTA Match Tie Break Set, first to win 10 points by a margin of two points. All tie-breaks will use the Coman method of rotation. Ends are changed after the first point, then every four points (i.e. rotate after 1st, 5th, 9th, 13th, points etc.), and also rotate ends at the conclusion of a set tie break.

