



55+ BC Games

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Tennis

1. **Age Categories:** Men and Women:
55 to 59, 60 to 64, 65 to 69, 70 to 74,
75 to 79, 80+
2. **Events:** In all age categories:
 - (a) Men's Singles
 - (b) Women's Singles
 - (c) Men's Doubles
 - (d) Women's Doubles
 - (e) Mixed Doubles
3. **Participation:**
 - (a) Each player may enter a maximum of two events.
 - (b) Participants must play in their own age category except that in doubles and mixed doubles, a partner from an older age category may compete in a younger age category.
 - (c) Where some age categories are under filled, players from an older age group may play down in a younger age group provided a Zone total of six participants per event per age category are not exceeded.
 - (d) No player should be discouraged from playing.
4. **Competition:**
 - (a) Official Rules of Tennis Canada shall apply.
 - (b) The draw should be posted at all Tennis venues.
 - (c) All Participants should have the schedule in their accreditation package.
 - (d) The Host Tennis Coordinator must avoid having players within the same Zone playing against each other early in the draw.
 - (e) The best of two, 6-game sets with a second deuce sudden-win format and a standard 7-point tie-breaker at six-all shall be the preferred format of play. If the two sets are split between the contestants, then a 7-point tie-breaker (standard Tennis tie-breaker) determines the winner. An 8-game Pro-Set may be used at the discretion of the Tennis Coordinator in the Host city only in exceptional circumstances when time and/or court availability demands it.
 - (f) The format will be determined by the Games Tennis Coordinator and approved by the Games Coordinator.

- (g) When weather or other unforeseen factors resulting in there not being sufficient time to complete the competition, the Tennis Coordinator reserves the right to use alternate formats, such as no-ad scoring or short sets.
- (h) Participants are not permitted to play in more than one age category in the same event.
- (i) Defaulted sets would give the winner full points and the defaulter 0 points.

5. Medals:

Gold, Silver and Bronze medals shall be awarded to first three positions in each age category in each event.

6. Zone Playoffs:

- (a) The Official Rules of Tennis Canada shall be used.
- (b) A set or best of three sets may be used in Zone Playoffs.
- (c) Zone Playoffs will be held in Men's Singles and Doubles; Women's Singles and Doubles; Mixed Doubles, where sufficient numbers make this necessary.
- (d) If a player plays doubles in a younger age group, that player shall occupy only that slot in the younger age group, and must vacate the slot in his/her own age group.
- (e) Participants must play in each Tennis event for which he/she wishes to be eligible at the Games.
- (f) All players must state clearly on the Sport Form in which events and age category they will be competing at the Games.