



THE PROGRESS TOUR CHINA

MINI CHALLENGER TOUR

TEAM ORANGE

RULES AND REGULATIONS

WHO CAN PLAY?

Team Orange events are open to boys and girls born in 2013 or 2014. We operate events for children of all levels of experience, with an easy to understand scoring format

TOURNAMENT FORMAT

Phase I of Team Orange events are played in a round robin format, with players in each group battling it out for their final group positions. Players are then drawn into shootout draws in Phase II, where they will compete for their final standings in the event. The events provide every competitor with a minimum of six matches over the course of the event

MATCH FORMAT

Timed matches of 12 or 18 minutes (please see page 2). The Mini Challenger Tour operates an easy to understand scoring system, i.e. 1, 2, 3, 4 etc. Players swap serves every 4 points, and change ends every 8 points. Every point played counts towards a players score. If the scores are equal at the end of the timed match, one additional deciding point will be played.

EQUIPMENT & COURT MEASUREMENTS

COURT MEASUREMENTS

Length: 18m
Width: 6.25-8.23m
Net height: 80-91cm

RACKET SIZE

53-58cm

TENNIS BALL

Orange Ball



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TOURNAMENT CATEGORIES

STARTER EVENT (<5 events played)

This a Co-Ed event for Team Orange players who have participated in less than five events. As in all of the Team Orange events, we use a simple scoring format, i.e. 1,2,3,4, etc. In Phase I, when the participants are split up into groups, they will play timed matches of 12 minutes against every other player in their group in a round robin format. At the end of Phase I, the points won in all matches will be accumulated and count towards Phase I final standings. In Phase II, players will then be pooled in 8 player compass draws according to their group standing. The match duration in Phase II will remain at 12 minutes and players will compete in a 'shootout' style compass draw.

PROGRESS EVENT (>5 events played)

This a Co-Ed event for Team Orange players who've participated in five or more events. We will follow an identical format to the one used during our Starter Events with simple scoring, and 12-minute timed matches during both Phase I & II.

COMPETE EVENTS (>10 events played)

This a Co-Ed event for Team Orange players who've participated in more than ten events. We will use a simple scoring format, i.e. 1,2,3,4, etc. We will use a similar format to the Starter and Progress events, albeit with extended match times. During Phase I, the participants will play timed matches of 12 minutes and during Phase II the matches will be 18 minutes long.



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- Games are started and finished by a blow of the whistle.
- The nominated person serves for the first point from the right hand side of the court; and alternates in a left-right pattern for four points. The serve swaps every four points between players.
- When serving, the ball must not be bounced before being hit. The serve can be hit either 'over-arm' or 'under-arm'.
- Serves should be hit diagonally, landing anywhere in the opposite diagonal quarter of the court.
- Players change ends after every eight points.
- Each court should have a court supervisor, overseeing proceedings and helping with any on-court issues. At the end of the match, both players must submit their score to the supervisor, who will submit the scorecard card to the Progress Tour China referee for verification.
- Phase 1 will see each player compete against all other players in their group, for a set time (12 or 18 minutes)
- Players scores are then tallied at the end of Phase I with players placed in their group according to total number of points won, rather than wins.
- Phase II groups players into shootout compass draws according to their group standings, and players will play out the event to conclusion in 12 or 18 minute rounds.
- Opponents in Phase I become teammates in Phase II with an emphasis placed on support, teamwork and camaraderie.
- Outdoor Mini Tennis Orange Balls should be used for all matches.
- Rackets no longer than 23" in length should be used.
- Prizes are awarded for the highest achieving team, shootout winners and 'Sportsmanship' award