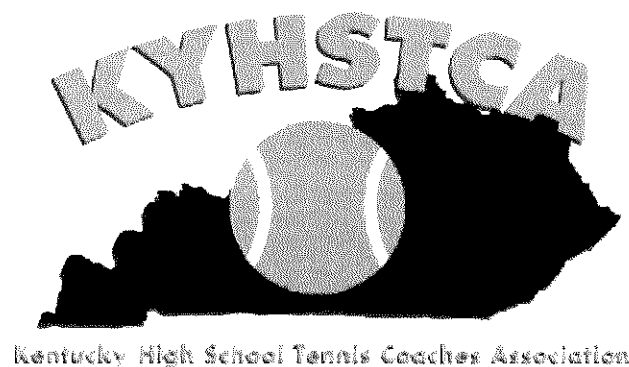


# NFHS Tennis Participation and High School Tennis Rules for Kentucky and Surrounding States



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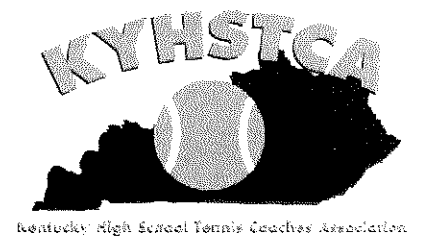
# NFHS Tennis Participation 2016-2017

	Kentucky	Virginia	West Virginia	Ohio	Indiana	Illinois	Missouri	Tennessee
Schools - Boy's Tennis Programs	212	247	76	415	299	290	182	264
Boy's Participants	2,108	2,936	687	5,918	4,430	6,747	3,624	2,342
Average Boy's Participants Per School	9.9	11.9	9.0	14.3	14.8	23.3	19.9	8.9
Schools - Girl's Tennis Programs	213	264	78	418	309	313	186	273
Girl's Participants	2,547	3,594	867	6,458	5,887	8,239	4,047	2,994
Average Girl's Participants Per School	12.0	13.6	11.1	15.4	19.1	26.3	21.8	11.0



# Tennis Season

	Kentucky	Virginia	West Virginia	Ohio	Indiana	Illinois	Missouri	Tennessee
Boy's - Fall					X			
Boy's - Spring	X	X	X	X		X	X	X
Girl's - Fall				X		X	X	
Girl's - Spring	X	X	X		X			X



# Classes for Tennis

	Kentucky	Virginia	West Virginia	Ohio	Indiana	Illinois	Missouri	Tennessee
# of Classes for State Championship	1	5 for Boy's 6 for Girl's	2	2	1	2	2	4

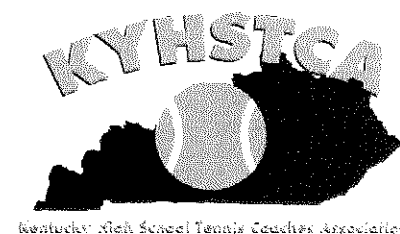


# Scrimmages and Regular Season Match Limits

	Kentucky	Virginia	West Virginia	Ohio	Indiana	Illinois	Missouri	Tennessee
Scrimmages	2	2	2	1	1	0	1	
Dual Matches or Multi-Opponent (Same Day Matches)	22	16	22	22*	22	20	14 or 12	16
Tournaments	4	No Limit		4	5*		3 or 4	

\*OH - plus OTCA Team Tournament Matches

\*IN - In Tournaments with multi-rounds, each round equals 1 Match



# Non-Interscholastic Participation Permitted During Season

	Kentucky	Virginia	West Virginia	Ohio	Indiana	Illinois	Missouri	Tennessee
Non Interscholastic Participation	Y	Y*	Y*	Y*	N	Y*	Y*	y*

\*WV - Only with Principal Approval AND cannot miss an Interscholastic Match

\*OH - OHSAA Executive Director may grant permission for ITF events only

\*IL - Up to 3 USTA Sanctioned Events with prior approval from Principal or AD

\*OH - OHSAA Executive Director may grant permission for ITF events only

\*VA - Cannot miss a scheduled Interscholastic Match to play an USTA Event

\*MO - May Participate in 2 Events with School Administration Approval

\*TN - If a player misses a match in the State Competition (District - Sectional - State) due to playing another match in another event then they are ineligible for the next school year.



# State Championships

	Kentucky	Virginia	West Virginia	Ohio	Indiana	Illinois	Missouri	Tennessee
Singles	Y	Y	Y*	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Doubles	Y	Y	Y*	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Team - Head to Head Matches		Y		Y*	Y		Y	Y
Team - Most Points (Wins) from Singles and Doubles Matches	Y		Y			Y		

\*WV plays 4 singles by seeds for Singles #1 vs #1, #2 vs #2, #3 vs #3 and #4 vs #4 and Doubles by seeds also (#1, #2 and #3)

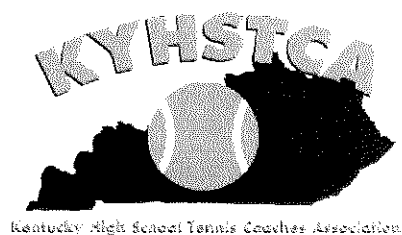
\*OH - The Ohio Tennis Coaches Association conducts the Team Championship with the support of the OHSAA.



# Match Types and How these Count to Season Match Limits

	Kentucky	Virginia	West Virginia	Ohio	Indiana	Illinois	Missouri	Tennessee
Dual Match	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Multi-Opponent (Same Day - Head to Head Matches vs each Opponent)	1 Per Opponent	1 Per Opponent	1 up to 4*	1 Per Opponent	1 Per Opponent	1 Per Opponent	1 Per Opponent	1 Per Opponent
Tournament Single or Double Elimination - 1 Day	1	1 Per Match		1	1 Per Round	1	1	
Tournament Single or Double Elimination - Multi-Days	1	1 Per Match		2	1 Per Round	1	1	
Tournament Round Robin	1 Per Opponent	1 Per Match		1 Per Opponent	1 Per Round	1 Per Opponent	1 Per Opponent	

\*WV - If 5 or more Teams participate then for each additional team this counts as an additional match for each additional team. For example 7 teams = 4 matches





# Participants at the State Championship

	Kentucky	Virginia	West Virginia	Ohio	Indiana	Illinois	Missouri	Tennessee
Singles (by Class)	64	8*	40	16	8	64	16	8
Doubles (by Class)	64	8*	24	16	8	64	16	8
Teams (by Class)	N/A	8*	N/A	4	4	N/A	4	4

Ohio, Virginia, Indiana and Tennessee have Sectional or Semifinal prior to the State Championship.



# Approved or Recommended Team Match Formats

	Kentucky	Virginia	West Virginia	Ohio	Indiana	Illinois	Missouri	Tennessee
3 Singles	Y			Y	Y*			
2 Doubles								
4 Singles			Y*					
3 Doubles							Y*	
6 Singles	Y*	Y*				Y*		
3 Doubles							Y	

\*WV - Players can play both Singles and Doubles Matches in the State Tournament

\*IN - Can not play both - Regular Season Matches Coaches can agree on another format

\*KY – For Regular Season Coaches can agree

\*VA - Players can play either Singles and Doubles in the State Tournament. For Team Matches players can play both Singles and Doubles.

\*MO - In the 6-3 Format players can play both Singles and Doubles. During the Regular Season Coaches can agree to play 4-3 with players playing Singles or Doubles, but not both.

\*IL - Recommended for Regular Season matches but coaches can agree on another format.



# Approved Game Formats or Recommended Game Formats

	Kentucky	Virginia	West Virginia	Ohio	Indiana	Illinois	Missouri	Tennessee
2 out of 3 Sets - 12-Point Tie Breaker 6 All		Y	Y*	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2 out of 3 Sets - 12-Point Tie Breaker 6 All 3rd Set 10-Point Match Tie Breaker	Y	Y*			Y*			
2 out of 3 Sets - 12-Point Tie Breaker 6 All - No AD				Y*			Y*	
8 Game Pro Set	Y*	Y*	Y*				Y*	

WV - Uses 2 out of 3 Sets - 12-Point Tie Breaker 6 All for Semi-finals and Finals matches, rounds prior to this uses a 8 Game Pro Set. This is for both Singles and Doubles.

\*OH - Regular Season matches coaches can agree to use No Ad scoring. After a match has been determined coaches may agree to use super tiebreaker for the 3rd set

\*IN - Tournaments that require three rounds of competition in one day must use the third-set tiebreak.

\*KY & VA- Can be used for Regular Season matches if coaches agree

\*MO - Team Matches use No Ad Scoring for Singles and 8 Game Pro Set for Doubles.

\*TN - Team Matches use No Ad Scoring for Singles and 8 Game Pro Set for Doubles. Regular Season Matches can use 8 Game Pro Set (No Ad) by agreement. Singles and Doubles in the State Tournament uses 2 out of 3 full sets.



# Matches Per Day

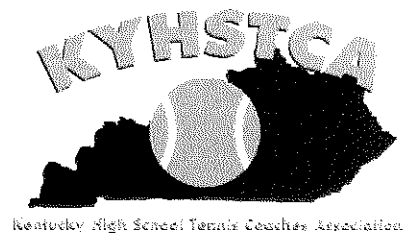
	Kentucky	Virginia	West Virginia	Ohio	Indiana	Illinois	Missouri	Tennessee
2 out of 3 Sets - 12-Point Tie Breaker 6 All	2	3		3	3	3	3	
2 out of 3 Sets - 12-Point Tie Breaker 6 All 3rd Set 10-Point Match Tie Breaker	2	3			3			
2 out of 3 Sets - 12-Point Tie Breaker 6 All - No AD Game Scoring	2	3			3			
8 Game Pro Set		3						



# USTA Matches Per Day

TABLE 8 Scheduling Guidelines for Junior Divisions: Maximum Number of Matches per Day		
Match Format	12s Divisions	14s, 16s, & 18s Divisions
<b>All Matches:</b> Best of 3 tiebreak sets	2 singles	2 singles + 1 doubles
	1 singles + 2 doubles	1 singles + 2 doubles
	3 doubles	3 doubles
<b>All Matches:</b> Tiebreak in lieu of 3rd set or short sets	3 singles	3 singles + 1 doubles
	2 singles + 1 doubles	2 singles + 2 doubles
	3 doubles	1 singles + 3 doubles 4 doubles
<b>Main Draw Singles:</b> Best of 3 tiebreak sets	2 main draw singles	2 main draw singles + 2 doubles and/or consolation singles
	1 main draw singles + 3 doubles and/or consolation singles	1 main draw singles + 3 doubles and/or consolation singles
	4 doubles and/or consolation singles	4 doubles and/or consolation singles

<b>Main Draw Singles:</b> Tiebreak in lieu of 3rd set or short sets	3 main draw singles	3 main draw singles + 2 doubles and/or consolation singles
	2 main draw singles + 2 doubles and/or consolation singles	2 main draw singles + 3 doubles and/or consolation singles
	1 main draw singles + 3 doubles and/or consolation singles	1 main draw singles + 4 doubles and/or consolation singles
<b>Doubles and/or Consolation Singles:</b> 8-game pro sets	4 doubles and/or consolation singles	5 doubles and/or consolation singles
	Combinations of singles, doubles, and consolation singles not shown above.*	117 games, no more than 88 of which should be singles
<p>If a player enters more than one division, these guidelines apply separately to each division.</p> <p><i>Completion of suspended matches.</i> When a match is carried over from a preceding day, it is counted as a match for these scheduling guidelines if the player so elects and if 16 or more games of singles or 20 or more games of doubles are required to finish the match.</p> <p>* Calculate the maximum number of games for specific combinations of formats not shown in the chart. The maximum number of games for a best of 3 sets match is 39; the maximum number for a match with a tiebreak in lieu of the 3rd set is 27; and the maximum number for an 8-game pro set is 17.</p>		



# USTA Minimum Rest Between Matches

**TABLE 11**  
**Minimum Rest Between Matches**

The Referee, Sectional Association, or District Association should permit additional rest when any of them concludes that the length of a match, heat, humidity, total time on the court during the day, or other condition justifies more rest. \*See also Recovery Rule

Divisions	All Best of 3 and 5 set matches	Pro set formats
Juniors	60 minutes <i>except</i> 30 minutes in doubles only tournaments*	30 minutes
Senior 35-45 & Parent-Child	60 minutes*	30 minutes
Senior 50-90	90 minutes*	45 minutes
Parent-Child with minimum parental age		
Grandparent-Grandchild		
Husband & Wife (Combined Ages)		

## USTA Recovery Rule:

After all singles matches in Junior, Adult, Senior, NTRP and Wheelchair Divisions in which the match format is two out of three standard tiebreak sets or more, the Referee shall offer a rest of two hours before the player's next singles match.

This rule does not apply to short set matches, matches that play a tiebreak in lieu of a final third set, nor to any match played indoors where the duration of the match is less than 120 minutes.



# Summary

The KYHSTCA would like for KHSAA to reestablish the Head-to-Head Team State Championship or for the KHSAA to allow the KYHSTCA to conduct and sponsor the State Team Championship (similar to what the OHSAA and OTCA does), with no KHSAA Team Champion awarded based on points.

The KYHSTCA would also like the KHSAA to go back to the 2 out of 3 sets, with the 3<sup>rd</sup> set played out, at 6-6 All the 12 point tiebreaker will be used in each set.

In researching what other State Association rules are, we have found that some states uses a hybrid for the first rounds they use one format and then another scoring format in the later rounds.

If KHSAA will not allow all matches to be a full 2 out of 3 sets then would like you to consider the following: 1) Region Tournaments – 1<sup>st</sup> 2 Rounds 2 ot out 3 sets, with 3<sup>rd</sup> Set 10 point tiebreaker and all round after these would use 2 out of 3 full sets. 2) State Tournament - 1<sup>st</sup> 2 Rounds 2 ot out 3 sets, with 3<sup>rd</sup> Set 10 point tiebreaker and all round after these would use 2 out of 3 full sets. Another alternative would be the 1<sup>st</sup> 3 Rounds would be 2 out of 3 sets, with 3<sup>rd</sup> Set 10 point tiebreaker and the last 3 rounds (Quarter-finals, Semi-finals and Finals rounds would use 2 out of 3 full sets.

