



# LOSSA

## Lake Ontario Secondary School Athletics

### LOSSA TENNIS PLAYING REGULATIONS 2023 - 2024

**Classification:** Junior Boys, Junior Girls, Senior Boys, Senior Girls. (High school and Open Divisions for senior boys and senior girls).

- Junior players may play at the senior level provided they play at a level well above their junior peers.

- 'all players in the senior 'open' division must be of an ability higher than players at the high school division or they must have some OTA competitive experience with winning a minimum of two rounds in total (one round or more in a tournament and/or at a later date wins a round in another tournament) in 3 star Ontario Tennis Association (OTA) tournaments or higher or the equivalent (USTA, European championship), in the three years prior to the beginning of the school year. Any player who has ever played in the Canadian Nationals or any player that has ever played in any U-14, U-16 or U-18 provincial championships shall also be considered an open player. A bye, defaulted or retired match in an OTA event does not constitute a win.'

The above, is subject to review by the convenor in consultation with the tournament committee and the coach.

**Official Rules:** The rules and regulations of tennis as per Tennis Canada Official Rules.

**Note:** The tournament director may specify the match format (number of sets/games, timed format), scoring procedures (ad vs. no-ad scoring, tie-breakers, etc.), time constraint factors, etc.

**Note:** All qualifying rounds (junior and senior) will be held encompassing players from the entire LOSSA region.

#### **Competition:**

##### A. Championship side

1. Single knock-out
2. All first match losers are entered into the consolation side.

##### B. Consolation side

1. Single Knock-out

#### **Other Tennis Information:**

1. LOSSA Tennis is held in the fall.

2. Each declared school is allowed two entries per event. In the case of Senior Boys Singles and Senior Girls Singles, the number of entries combined (open and high school) may not exceed two.



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3. A player is limited to one event.

4. There are twelve events.

- i. Junior boys singles
- ii. Junior girls singles
- iii. Junior mixed doubles
- iv. Junior boys doubles
- v. Junior girls doubles
- vi. Senior boys singles (high school)
- vii. Senior boy's singles (open)
- viii. Senior girls singles (high school)
- ix. Senior girl's singles (open)
- x. Senior mixed doubles (high school)
- xi. Senior boys doubles (high school)
- xii. Senior girls doubles (high school)

\* In the case of inadequate entries in the open events, the lone player will be appropriately placed in the high school draw.

### **Awards and OFSAA Eligibility**

Trophies and pennants will be awarded for the following classifications, Junior Girls, Senior Girls, Junior Boys, and Senior Boys based on the point system below:

Main draw rounds: 6 pt. for Gold, 5 pt. for Silver, 4 pt. for Bronze, 3 pt. for Semi-finalist.

Consolation rounds: 3 pt. for Winner, 2 pt. for finalists, 1 pt. each for Semi-finalists.

Medals will be awarded in the main draw, for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Ribbons will be awarded, in consolation draws for 1st and 2nd place.

In senior events the gold and silver medalists qualify for OFSAA. The bronze medalists are alternates. In the case of open players being in the high school division it shall be determined so that a maximum number of players qualify for OFSAA as per OFSAA regulations.

An overall school team trophy (junior and senior combined) will be based on the following:

After each school with points is ranked in each classification - points will be given in order of merit. The school with the highest total points will be awarded the overall school team trophy. (A tie - break will be determined by the school that has the better overall placements in all the classifications combined.