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INDIVIDUAL TENNIS**

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CALENDAR PLAYOFF DATES – INDIVIDUAL TENNIS - REVISED

- **INDIVIDUAL: 2020-2021 CIF SOUTHERN SECTION FORD GIRLS/BOYS INDIVIDUAL TENNIS PLAYOFF DATES (Revised schedule for 2020-2021)**

The 2020-2021 CIF Southern Section Ford Girls and Boys Individual Tennis Championships, consisting of competition in both singles and doubles will **not** be held in the traditional sectional format this year. Due to Covid/county restrictions, the following revised schedule and format for selection will be offered with respect to individual boys and girls tennis championships in the CIF-SS Playoff Season 2.

2020-21 CIF-SS Individual Tennis Championships schedule: (for 2020-21 school year)

Girls: Seal Beach Tennis Center: (No Warm-up Courts Available)

3900 Lampson Ave, Seal Beach – (562)598-8624

Wednesday, June 9, 2021- (3 rounds – 2 sets and 3rd set tie-breaker)

First Round- Seeds #13-20 – Check-in 8:30am - Match time – 9:00am

Round of 16 - All remaining players – Check-in 10:30 - Match time 11:00am

Quarterfinals – All remaining players – Check-in TBD - Match time TBD

Thursday, June 10, 2021 – (2 rounds – 3 full sets)

Semifinals- All remaining players – Check-in 10:30 - Match time 11:00am

Finals- All remaining players – Check-in TBD - Match time TBD

Boys: Seal Beach Tennis Center (No Warm-up Courts Available)

3900 Lampson Ave, Seal Beach – (562)598-8624

Wednesday, June 16, 2021- (3 rounds – 2 sets and 3rd set tie-breaker)

First Round- Seeds #13-20 – Check-in 8:30am - Match time – 9:00am

Round of 16 - All remaining players – Check-in 10:30 - Match time 11:00am

Quarterfinals – All remaining players – Check-in TBD - Match time TBD

Thursday, June 17, 2021 – (2 rounds – 3 full sets)

Semifinals- All remaining players – Check-in 10:30 - Match time 11:00am

Finals- All remaining players – Check-in TBD - Match time TBD

SELECTION PROCESS (New for 2021) – INDIVIDUAL TENNIS

Selection into 2020-21 CIF-SS Individual Tennis Championships: (for 2020-21 school year)

For the 2020-21 seasons, each CIF-SS league may nominate 2 singles and 2 doubles teams from their league to be considered for entry into the 2020-21 CIF-SS Individual Tennis Championships. The CIF-SS Tennis Advisory Committee will review all league nominations and select who they consider to be the “Top 20” singles players and “Top 20” doubles teams for entry into the individual tournament. The committee will also compile a 5 player/5 team “Alternate” list to be used if there are drops from the “Top 20” selected initially. The committee will utilize UTR ratings, USTA/SCTA (14/16/18's) rankings and notes from coaches to help in the selection process.

We hope to return to our traditional sectional format in the fall for the girls/boys season next school year.

League Coordinators:

- Girls Individual League Nominations/Entries are due in CIFSSHome by noon on Friday, May 14, 2021
- Boys Individual League Nominations/Entries are due in CIFSSHome by noon on Friday, May 21, 2021

RELEASE SCHEDULE

Girls Individual Championship Qualifier's will be posted on **Wed, May 26, 2021** at 10:00 am.

A special announcement/bulletin will be posted on the Girls Tennis sports page on the CIF-SS website at www.cifss.org.

Boys Individual Championship Qualifier's will be posted on **Wed, June 2, 2021** at 10:00 am.

A special announcement/bulletin will be posted on the Boys Tennis sports page on the CIF-SS website at www.cifss.org

BALL PROGRAM MEMO



OFFICIAL BALL PROGRAM – MANDATORY USE IN PLAYOFFS 2020-2021

Official Ball per sport:

- Baseball: **Rawlings CIF-SS** Must be CIFSS/**NOCSAE** stamped ball; not an alternative Rawlings ball
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- Boys Basketball: **Spalding TF1000 NFHS Classic NFHS**
 Spalding TF1000 Legacy NFHS
 Spalding TF-1000 Platinum ZK NFHS 29.5 *(Used in the CIF-SS Championship game)*

- Girls Basketball: **Spalding TF1000 NFHS Classic 28.5 NFHS**
 Spalding TF1000 Legacy 28.5 NFHS
 Spalding TF-1000 Platinum ZK NFHS 28.5 *(Used in the CIF-SS Championship game)*

- Football: **Spalding ball with NFHS** any Spalding model with NFHS stamp
 Spalding Alpha ball with NFHS *(Used in the CIF-SS Championship game)*

- Lacrosse: **Champion Sports NOCSAE Balls** (White LBWNOCSAE, Yellow LBYNOCSAE, Orange LBO, Lime Green LBG)

- Soccer: **Spalding TF-SC5 NFHS** for both boys and girls use.
 Spalding TF-SC3 NFHS for both boys and girls use.
 Spalding TF5000 NFHS for both boys and girls use.

- Softball: **Dudley CFP12Y NFHS** *(Used in the CIF-SS Championship game)*

- Tennis: **Penn ATP World Tour** *(Used in the CIF-SS Championship game)*
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- Volleyball: **Spalding with NFHS stamp: TF-VB5, TF-VB3**

- Boys Water Polo: **KAP7 model 105 with NFHS stamp** *(Used in the CIF-SS Championship game)*

- Girls Water Polo: **KAP7 model 104 with NFHS stamp** *(Used in the CIF-SS Championship game)*

Mandatory Playoff Use Requirement:

The mandatory "official" ball rule for all playoff rounds, excluding golf. The rule applies throughout the conduct of **all** CIF-SS **playoff** contests.

Playoff Ball Use Rule Enforcement:

Should a school fail to provide the correct game ball, the game will always be played. Teams/schools failing to utilize the correct official ball in CIF-SS playoffs will be reported by officials to CIF-SS and will not be allowed to host their next available home playoff game. Penalty will carry over to the next season if not enforceable this season due to elimination.

Note: NFHS stamp is required in all sports *except in golf and tennis*.

CHAMPIONSHIP/PLAYOFF INFORMATION

A. CHAMPIONSHIP/PLAYOFF TOURNAMENT RULES

1. Refer to Article 320 (Playoffs) of the Blue Book for details regarding playoff information.
2. The Commissioner of Athletics shall secure the necessary officials, provide the balls, and select a seeding procedure deemed appropriate and make up the draw.
3. School uniforms must be worn at Individual Championships @ the Seal Beach Tennis Center.
4. CONTINUOUS PLAY RULES:
 - All serves must be taken prior to the start of the match.
 - Ninety (90) seconds allowed for changing sides (except first side change of each set)
 - As of January, 2001, two (2) minutes is allowable for side changes between sets. Continuous play rules shall now be utilized during the first side change of any set, therefore no coaching will be permitted.
 - No play stoppage of any kind allowed without specific permission. In compliance with USTA 18 & under rules, there is a 10 minute break between the 2nd and 3rd sets.
 - In all qualifying matches (prior to the round of 32) a USTA 10-point Match Tie-Breaker will be utilized in lieu of a 3rd set. In compliance with USTA 18 & Under rules, there is a 3 minute break between the 2nd set and 10-point match tie breaker. Beginning with the round of 16, 2 out of 3 set match play will be utilized.
5. SCORING: Regular scoring. The USTA ten-point match tie-break system shall be used in all qualifying sectional tournaments in lieu of a third set (first to win ten points and be ahead by a margin of two points). Regular tie-break procedure will be in effect.
6. TIEBREAK SYSTEM (6-6): The CIF-SS will use the regular USTA set tie break.
7. USTA POINT PENALTY SYSTEM

The USTA Point Penalty System will be in effect throughout the Individual Tennis Tournament.

Violations shall be penalized as follows:

First Offense -	Point
Second Offense -	Game
Third Offense -	Default

Code Violations:

Delay

- Not resuming play after natural loss of physical condition
- Not resuming play after an injury timeout or after treatment on a changeover
- Not playing within 25 seconds of having been directed to resume play
- Passage of 25 seconds after any time violation
- Leaving the court for an unauthorized reason

Conduct

- Visible or audible profanity or obscenity.
- Abuse of racket, balls, or equipment.

- Verbal or physical abuse of a player or official.
- Coaching (except during the 90 second changeover).
- Abusive conduct by a player or a person associated with a player.
- Retaliatory calls (obviously bad call made in retaliation for the opponent's calls).
- Unsportsmanlike conduct.

8. TIME VIOLATIONS

- Delay between points or after warm-up.
- Violation of the 90-second changeover rule.
- Time Violation Penalties:
 - First offense - warning
 - Each additional violation - one point penalty

Note: The passage of 25 seconds after a time violation shall result in assessment of a **code** penalty.

9. COACHING: Coaching is permitted during the 90 seconds allowed for changing sides (except first side change of each set), providing it does not distract opposing players or delay the start of play at the end of the 90 seconds. Coaching is also permitted for 3 minutes prior to the start of the USTA 10-point match tie-breaker. Coaching is allowed by two designated high school coaches only.

10. PROTEST OF PLAYOFF CONTESTS: By action of the CIF-SS Council, protests of playoff contests will no longer be entertained following the conclusion of the contest. Coaches must resolve questions pertaining to possible misapplication of the rules in accordance with the USTA rules. No protest may be carried forth once the contest is completed.

Coaches are encouraged to carry USTA rulebooks with them for all playoff contests.

Schools will still have the opportunity to protest a contest in accordance with Southern Section rules, Rule 1111, as it pertains to use of ineligible player or violations of any CIF-SS rule in connection with the contest.

11. ENTRY FEE: There will be no entry fee assessed for this tournament.

12. ELIGIBILITY FORM: It will be the responsibility of each school having entries in this tournament to submit an approved eligibility form covering their players. Eligibility forms are submitted through the team roster section of CIFSSHOME.org.

13. ELIGIBILITY LIST:

The CIF Southern Section Eligibility List will be generated through the www.cifsshome.org site. As you input your roster information, the eligibility list information will be input at that time.

14. Please read carefully the enclosed Special Notice pertaining to supervision of athletes. If the coach is not in attendance, entrants will not be allowed to participate

15. AWARDS: Appropriate awards will be given to the winner and runner-up in both singles and doubles.

B. SITE MAP – Seal Beach Tennis Center

SEAL BEACH TENNIS CENTER
3900 Lampson Avenue, Seal Beach, CA 90740



SPECIAL NOTICE - INDIVIDUAL TENNIS

SUPERVISION OF ATHLETES

The Southern Section Office has experienced a problem which has perpetuated itself over the past few years as it pertains to proper supervision and entry of student-athletes in the post-season playoffs.

The situation relates only to individual sports, i.e. CROSS COUNTRY, INDIVIDUAL TENNIS, TRACK, SWIMMING, etc. and the official recognition and registration of entrants at the respective playoff sites.

State and Southern Section Rule 503 states:

No CIF team (i.e., individual) shall participate in inter-scholastic or approved competition with any other team unless the CIF team is under supervision as required by the California Administrative Code 49032 and CIF By-Law #503 (F). (Additionally, refer to Rule 123.) The supervisor must remain in attendance at all times.

Those persons APPROVED FOR SUPERVISION PURPOSES are limited to:

A. Certificated personnel

B. Certified Coaches (certified credentialed coaches)

C. Non-certificated temporary coaches (certified walk-on coaches.)

(It should be noted that schools representing the same DISTRICT may send one credentialed or certified supervisor for three or four athletes. These individuals have been recognized and are to continue to be recognized for registration and participation purposes in that the district has assigned the supervisory role for all students from its' member schools to this one individual.)

However, the concern is for those students who ARE NOT accompanied by a faculty representative and report to the playoff site by themselves or with a parent. ***GIVING PARENTS THE SUPERVISION AUTHORITY, WHETHER IN WRITING OR NOT, DOES NOT MEET THE STANDARDS SET FORTH IN THE ABOVE REGULATIONS. This also applies to parents who are the student=s private coach but are not under contract to the member school.***

PLEASE NOTE, THIS RULE WAS REVIEWED BY BOTH THE STATE CIF OFFICE, ITS GENERAL COUNSEL AND THE SOUTHERN SECTION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. IT HAS BEEN REAFFIRMED THAT THE INTERPRETATION STAND AS ABOVE AND THAT ANY STUDENT REPORTING FOR COMPETITION WHO IS NOT UNDER DIRECT SUPERVISION IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE AND SOUTHERN SECTION RULE 503, IS TO BE DENIED ENTRY FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE COMPETITION.

As pointed out by the Southern Section and State CIF attorney, there are inherent liability problems when an individual competes in violation of said rule. Please review this rule with your staff in that it will be strictly enforced as per the above application.

CODE OF CONDUCT

The highest type of sportsmanship is expected from every player! An understanding of and a commitment to the points highlighted on this card are part of your responsibility as a player in a U.S.T.A. tournament. **Violators of this code or its spirit are subject to disciplinary action.**

1	Once you have entered a tournament, honor your commitment to play. Exceptions should occur only in cases of serious illness, injury, or personal emergency.
2	From the beginning of the match, play must be continuous. Attempts to stall or to extend rest periods for the purpose of recovering from a loss of physical condition (such as cramps or shortness of breath) are clearly illegal.
3	Intentional distractions that interfere with your opponent's concentration or effort to play the ball are against the rules.
4	Spectators, including parents, friends, and coaches, are welcome to watch and enjoy matches. Their role, however is clearly restricted to that of passive observer with no involvement of any kind during the match.
5	Players are expected to put forth a full and honest effort regardless of the score or expected outcome.
6	<p>Players are expected to maintain full control over their emotions and the resulting behavior throughout the match. If you begin to lose your composure during play, try the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$ Take several deep breaths, exhale as slowly as possible and feel your muscles relax. \$ Concentrate on your own game and behavior while ignoring distractions from your opponent or surroundings. \$ Be your own best friend & enjoy your good shots and forget the poor ones.

ON-COURT RULES*

Take this card onto the court for reference!

If you have any doubt as to whether a ball is out or good, you must give your opponent the benefit of the doubt and play the ball as good. You should not play a let.

It is your obligation to call all balls on your side, to help your opponent make calls when the opponent requests it, and to *call against yourself* (with the exception of a first service) any ball that you clearly see out on your opponent's side of the net.

Any Aout@ or Alet@ call must be made instantaneously (i.e., made before either an opponent has hit the return or the return has gone out of play); otherwise, the ball continues in play.

Do **not** enlist the aid of spectators in making line calls.

If you call a ball out and then realize it was good, you should correct your call.

To avoid controversy over the score, the Server should announce the set score (e.g., 5-4) before starting a game and the game score (e.g., thirty-four) prior to serving each point.

If players cannot agree on the score, they may go back to the last score on which there was agreement and resume play from that point, or they may spin a racket.

Foot faults are not allowed. If an opponent persists in foot faulting after being warned not to do so, the Referee should be informed.

\$ Do not stall, sulk, complain, or practice gamesmanship.

Wait until the players on another court have completed a point before retrieving or returning a ball.

**Excerpted from the official U.S.T.A. publication, The Code, whose principles and guidelines shall apply in any match conducted without officials.*

**United States Tennis Association
70 West Red Oak Lane
White Plains, NY 10604-3602**

D. PLAYOFF/CHAMPIONSHIPS – Post Season Awards

General information regarding CIF Southern Section Playoff/Championship Additional/Custom Post Season Awards can be found at www.CIFSS.org on the download section of the Girls and Boys sports page.



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