

2025 KHTC Player Reminders and Tournament Rules

1. USTA rules and The Code of Conduct shall govern all play, except as modified with these rules. Point Penalty System will be in effect. Penalties may be issued by tournament director, a committee member and USTA Officials.
2. The use of the following Point Penalty System will be enforced by the Officials and the Tournament Referee and Assistant Referees. NO WARNING WILL BE PROVIDED – this is the warning. The following is the schedule for Code Violation during a match (not cumulative matches). First offense -Point; Second offense - Game; Third offense – Default.
3. Warm-up time is strictly limited to ten (10) minutes. We are planning on using Court Monitors, when possible, to get matches started on time.
4. All non-final split-set matches will be decided by a 10-point tiebreaker.
5. All final matches will be best of three sets. However, if the players in the finals match unanimously agree, the finals match may be decided by a 10-point match tie breaker.
6. Players entering three (3) events must be able to play on Friday starting 5 p.m. or later, as well as Saturday & Sunday.
7. You will receive a minimum of 30 minutes after a doubles match before your next match and a minimum of 60 minutes after a singles match in the SAME event. You will receive a minimum of 30 before your next match, if it is a Different Event.
8. Event entry (other than age group events) is by NTRP/UTR rating into A, B, or C Divisions. The committee reserves the right to re-rate any player at its discretion. The A-B-C Divisions are based on NTRP/UTR ratings as follows: A: NTRP 4.0+ or UTR 7.50+. B: NTRP 2.5-3.5 or UTR 5.01 – 7.49. C: NTRP 2.5 or UTR 5.0 or less.
9. In the double's events, you must use the highest player's NTRP/UTR rating for the Division entered. Example: Player X is a 4.0 player, and his partner is a 2.5 player, they must enter the A division event.
10. The tournament draw will be posted online Thursday by 6 p.m. To find your first match times you can go to our website at www.kenhuffclas.org after 6 p. m. Thursday.
11. The committee reserves the right to consolidate divisions based upon the number of entries or to use a round-robin format, if necessary, for any event/division.
12. The tournament committee reserves the right to reduce or reschedule matches as required in case of extenuating circumstances and to use no-ad scoring, short-sets, as well as either 7-point or 10-point match tiebreakers to complete the tournament.
13. ADULT age group events are open to all players who have reached or will reach the minimum age limit of the division (40, 50, or 60) on or before December 31, 2021. JUNIOR age group events use the "month of birth" rule. Junior players in the 12, 14, 16 & 18 age groups may play in that division until the month they turn 13, 15, 17, or 19. Example: If you are to turn 13 any time in the month of July 2021, you would play in the 14U age group.
14. Junior's may play up in Age Divisions and they may also play in Adult events/division.
15. No coaching, either verbally or by signals of any kind, is permitted except during any authorized suspension of play (change overs and end of sets are NOT suspension of play). Violation of this rule renders the player subject to penalty points, including the disqualification of the player.
16. It is the responsibility of the player to ascertain the starting time of his/her matches, including any changes due to weather or other delays. Draws will be posted at www.kenhuffclas.org.
17. It is the obligation of the tournament referee and the officials to monitor play and to enforce all rules, regulations, including The Code, to assess penalty points against any player for unsportsmanlike conduct during the matches. Such conduct to include, but not limited to: Time Violations (unreasonable delays after the warm up period, delay between points and changing ends); Un-sportsmanship Acts (violently or with anger hitting, kicking or throwing a tennis ball, racket or any other equipment; Verbal Abuse (Loud, profane or abusive language); Visible obscenity; Receiving Coaching from anyone (except your doubles partner when playing with them), including a parent or other accompanying person; or Cheating.
18. No one can practice on the empty tennis courts while tournament play is going on.