

Surrey Rules

LTA National League Junior Team Trophy

Winter 2025/26

Whilst the Surrey National League Junior Team Trophy does come under the LTA's Youth League banner we have permission to run our league under our own rules.

Please see the rules below.

Only playing members of an LTA registered venue may play in county competitions.

Competition Structure:

Group stages will run from October until 31st December. The knockout stage will begin in **January 2026** with finals taking place in **March 26..**

Player Age Eligibility:

A player's eligibility will be based on their **2026** tennis competition age. For example, if a player's LTA competition age is 15 in 2026, then they are unable to compete in the 14U event at all.

Event eligibility by year of birth:

Mixed 8U - 2018 or later

Mixed 9U – 2017 or 2018

Mixed 10U – 2016 or 2017

Boys/Girls 11U – 2015 or 2016

Boys/Girls 12U – 2014 or 2015

Boys/Girls 14U – 2012 - 2015

Boys/Girls 16U – 2010– 2015

Boys/Girls 18U – 2008 - 2015

Scoring

8U: 1 set match tie-break (to 10 points with 2 clear).

9U: Sets 1&2 tie-break (to 7 points, 2 clear at 6-6). Set 3, if necessary, tie-break (to 7 points, 2 clear at 6-6).

10U & 11U: Sets 1&2 FAST 4. No ad scoring. First to 4 games. Tie-break at 3-3 (to 7 points, 2 clear at 6-6). Set 3, if necessary, match tie-break (to 10 points, 2 clear at 9-9)

12U – 18U: Sets 1&2 tie-break at 6-6 (to 7 points, 2 clear at 6-6). Set 3, if necessary, match tie-break (to 10 points 2 clear at 9-9).

Team Composition:

Teams must field their players in order of WTN (whole number only*). The player with the best WTN must play in position 1 and the player with the lowest WTN in the lowest position. Where players have the same WTN it will be down to the discretion of the captain to decide which of them should play in the higher position. For red matches the captain must put the players in order of standard.

- 8U – Team of 4
- 9U – Team of 4
- 10U – 18U – Team of 2 (both Division 1 and Division 2). An additional 3rd player may be brought in for the doubles.

* - e.g. Player A has a WTN of 38.25, Player B has a WTN of 38.75. Player C has a WTN of 39.18.

Player A or Player B may play in Position 1. Player C must play in position 3.

Group Stage to Knockout

The winner of each group will progress through to the knockout stages. At the county's discretion, we may choose to include 2nd or 3rd placed teams where appropriate.

Finals

Finals will be carried out at competitor's venue in **March 26**. The exact time frame allowed for the finals will be at the discretion of Surrey Tennis Competitions Team nearer the time.

