

## Instructions and Rules for the Use of Tennis Rungs

1. You may issue 2 challenges at a time.
2. You can only be challenged by one player at any given time. This prevents outstanding challenges to accumulate against you. Once challenges are made, they will be played no matter changes in your ladder position.
3. You may challenge up to seven rungs ahead of you.
4. If the challenge is successful, you will take the spot of the person you challenged and your opponent will be bumped down one rung.
5. When challenged, you will have two days to “accept” the challenge. (Please do not “deny” a challenge as that will result in a win by the person making the challenge) If there are issues in communication, contact your Ladder Manager by email. She will help resolve the conflict.
6. By accepting a challenge, you agree to play the match within 9 days of acceptance (note: we are adding two extra days for Tennis Rungs) If a player does not play the match, the match is considered a “default”. The other player will receive a win and full match credit. The defaulting player may be lowered up to five positions, and the player receiving the default will not advance.
7. If a challenge is accepted but not played within 9 days, the challenge will expire. It will be deleted from the system and the challenge would need to be reissued.
8. If there is rain or issues that prohibit a match from being played, the challenge will be voided, but you may also contact your Ladder Manager to request an extension.
9. If a challenge has been accepted and neither player is able to play within the 9 days, you may withdraw the challenge by contacting your ladder manager. BOTH players must agree on the withdrawal.
10. When a challenge has been arranged (date, time, location) you must contact your Ladder Manager (and copy your opponent) with this information. Upon completion of the match, please record the score in Tennis Rungs system.
11. Please refer to the full set of Rules on the ALTA Website which governs all the Rules of the Ladder not mentioned here.

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