

This is a summary list of rules for the functioning of the ladder within Tennis Rungs. A detailed list of Rules and Procedures for the overall operation of the ladder will be provided via a Google Form that will be agreed to by all players and posted for reference on the ALTA website.

Please **DO NOT** use the Drop or Temporarily Leave Ladder options. Once the ladder begins, this functionality does not have the intended effect, and will result in removal from the ladder, loss of ranking position, and an inability to view the ladder or make challenges. If you must be placed on "Hold", please contact your ladder manager.

Ladder Managers are based on your starting position on the ladder, and will remain the same throughout. They are as follows:

Boys Upper - 1 to 35 - Dee Jones, phone: (678) 683-8736, email: depria70@gmail.com

Boys Lower - 36 to 73 - Michelle McKinnon, phone: (404) 784-0242 email: mckinnonm@me.com

Girls Upper - 1 to 40 - Stacey Simmons, phone: (404) 788-8769, email: staceylags@gmail.com

Girls Lower - 41 to 83 - Trish Winfrey phone: (770) 354-9494, email: trishwinfrey@gmail.com

When you make a challenge, the date, time and location needs to be confirmed with your opponent and you **MUST** send an email with the details to your ladder manager and copy your opponent.

- You may issue 2 challenge(s) at a time.
- You can only be challenged by one player/team at any given time. This prevents outstanding challenges from accumulating against you.
- You may challenge up to 7 spots.
- If the challenge is successful, you will take the spot of the person you challenge and your opponent will be bumped down 1 spot.
- If challenged, you will have 2 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 a challenged player does not respond, the Ladder Manager will contact the player that does not reply. The Ladder Manager will attempt to contact the challenged and make a decision if the match is voided or considered a default. The player who could not be contacted to accept the challenge will be flagged and required to receive a challenge from below before being able to place any more upward challenges.
- By accepting a challenge, you agree to play the challenge within 9 days after the date of acceptance. (Note we are adding 2 extra days with the software). If a player does not play the match, the match is considered a default. The other player will receive the default win and will receive full match value credit. The defaulting player will be lowered

five positions but the person receiving the default win will advance no more than one position.

- If a challenge is accepted and not played within 9 days, it will expire and the challenge will be deleted from the system and will have to be re-issued. Of course, since rankings continually change, a re-challenge may not be possible. It is best to make arrangements to play and complete within the time period.
- If there is rain or other 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
- If a challenge has been accepted and both players are not able to play within the 9 day time frame, you may also withdraw the challenge WITH AGREEMENT of both players in email to the Ladder Manager with plans to reissue the challenge at a later date. BOTH players must agree to the withdrawal.
- When a plan is made to play a match, please contact your Ladder Manager and copy your opponent with the date, time and location of your match. Upon completion, please record your scores in the system.
- Please refer to the full set of rules on the ALTA Website which governs the Ladder.
- Your ladder admin is Brenda Maddaleni and can be emailed at bmaddaleni@gmail.com if you have any questions.