## Singles Tennis Ladder Guidelines

## Rules and Regulations

1. All Challenge matches are required to check in at the front desk. All BIRC User policies apply and all Day Admissions or Punch Pass Fees will be required at check-in.
2. All initial challenge requests must be submitted by email. If you don't have a player's email, please contact the tennis office for contact information. Further communication is allowed through text or phone.

## Playing Format

- Matches will be timed with regular scoring (Ad scoring) with a 7pt tiebreaker at 6-6 of a set and a 10 pt. tiebreaker (the first to 10 , win by 2 ) in lieu of a 3 rd set .
- At the end of time, a player must be ahead by two games to claim that set. Each set will be worth 1 point. - If a set is incomplete with no one ahead by two games, the player who is ahead will receive .75 and the other player .25 . - If two sets are completed but the 10pt tiebreaker is not completed, each player will receive 1 pt, leaving both players where they are on the ladder.


## Challenge Guidelines

1. Players must schedule their own matches within 14 days of initial challenge. If 2 attempts at a match fails , the Challenger can request the higher position.
2. If a challenger wins (by play or default on the tennis court), he/she moves just above his/her opponent's position on the Ladder. If the challenger loses, there is no change in the positions of the two players.
3. Players can challenge a maximum of 3 positions above.
4. Players are not allowed to challenge the same person twice in a row. If you lose a challenge, you must wait 3 weeks before you can challenge that same person again, giving you and others the opportunity to challenge someone else on the ladder.
5. Challengers will be responsible for making all needed court reservations.
6. Both players bring a new can of balls to the match and the winner keeps the unopened can.
7. All matches must be played in order of the challenge request date (the date you sent the email).
8. If a Challenger wins a match and advances out of range, any challenge submitted to that person before that match was played will be valid (regardless of the 3 position rule) and must be played.
9. In the event a match is rescheduled, any other previously scheduled challenges must be played, but the original challenge match must be completed. ( \#8 and \#9 are the only exceptions players may play someone above the 3 position rule).
10. Cancellations must be communicated at least 24 hours prior to the match. Reschedules need to be done within 10 days of the cancellation date or the Challenger can request the higher position. After 2 cancellations for the same challenge match occurs, a default will be awarded to the Challenger.
11. Any grievances arising from match play should be made to the Tennis Coordinator immediately after the match at daynag@biparks.org.
12. The Challenger is responsible for reporting the scores of the match to daynag@biparks.org
13. In the event of an injury: positions will remain the same prior to the match.
