



LEE COUNTY WOMEN'S TENNIS LEAGUE

DETERMINING SEASON PLAY

After all teams are registered, the division officers should work together with captains to determine the best schedule for their division depending on the dates the holidays fall. It should then be submitted to the League Scheduler. Depending on the number of teams in the division, with four teams being the minimum, the following guidelines can be used to determine the season's schedule. Note that the League Scheduler will schedule all matches. Reference the chart on this form.

- **Less than 13 teams:** Teams will play each other twice or as many times as possible that will fit in a 22-week schedule.
- **13 to 16 teams:** Teams may play each other once, or teams may play a **split schedule**. See below for determining a **split schedule**.
- **More than 16 teams:** Teams will play each other once.

SPLIT SCHEDULES:

During the scheduling process, a division wishing to play a split schedule should divide the teams into two groups by using one of the following methods. The League feels the first option listed below is the preferred method.

1. Using the numbers assigned to each team on the schedule, place ODD numbered teams in one group and EVEN numbered teams in another group (preferred method) OR
2. Give each team a new random number (picking out of a hat) and place ODD numbered teams in one group and EVEN numbered teams in another group OR
3. Use last year's standings to divide teams by strength, having a mix of lower and higher ranked teams in both ODD and EVEN groups.

Whichever choice is determined best for the division; scheduling play on hard courts should be considered and be divided equally between the ODD and EVEN groups. When submitting a split schedule, let the League Scheduler know if you will play the split schedule at the **start or end** of the season. Also, note that all matches will be counted toward the final standings.

NUMBER OF WEEKS OF PLAY FOR THE NUMBER OF TEAMS

Teams	Playing	Playing Every Team
4	18 weeks	6 times
5	20 weeks	4 times with 4 byes
6	20 weeks	4 times
7	21 weeks	3 times with 3 byes
8	21 weeks	3 times
9	18 weeks	Twice with 2 byes
10	18 weeks	Twice
11	22 weeks	Twice with 2 byes
12	22 weeks	Twice
13	20 or 18 weeks	13 weeks plus 7 wks for Odds with 1 bye and 5 wks for Evens
14	20 weeks	13 weeks plus 7 wks of Odds and Evens with 1 bye for each
15	22 weeks	15 weeks plus 7 wks of Odds and Evens with 1 bye for each
16	22 weeks	15 weeks plus 7 wks of Odds and Evens
17	17 weeks	Once with 1 bye
18	17 weeks	Once
19	19 weeks	Once with 1 bye
20	19 weeks	Once
21	21 weeks	Once with 1 bye
22	21 weeks	Once