

SENIOR COUNTY CLOSED CHAMPIONSHIPS - ABRIDGED CONDITIONS OF ENTRY 2011.

1. Entries for all events are restricted to players affiliated to Tennis Leicestershire.

2. Competitors must possess County qualification (reference LTA Rule 36)

A player is qualified to play in the County Closed Championships if:

(i) his/her place of birth or permanent residence at date of birth is in such area OR

(ii) his/her place of permanent residence has, for at least one year immediately preceding the competition, been in such area OR

(iii) at any time his/her place of residence has for a period of five consecutive years been in such area

A County boundary is defined as that which applies for the purposes of local government (not necessarily as defined by postcode)

3. The Committee reserves the right to limit the number of events a competitor may enter and to decline any entry without assigning any reason. Entries for Handicap events may be limited on a 'first come first served' basis to a maximum of 64 per event. Entries from competitors who have represented the county at County Week may not be accepted in Handicap events.

4. All matches shall be best-of-three sets, decided as follows:

a) Level events. The tie-break shall operate at 6 – 6 in all sets including the third or final set.

b) Handicap events. Best-of-three sets unless otherwise declared by a representative of the Tournament Committee, in advance of the match. No tie-break in any set.

5. The draw will take place at 432 Welford Road on Tuesday 19th July, circumstances allowing, commencing at 6.00 pm approx.

6. Orders of Play for Saturday 30th & Sunday 31st July will be published online and on display at the Leicestershire L T C on or before Thursday 28nd July.

Play will commence at 10.00 am on first week-end and at 5.30 pm on weekdays.

On Finals' week-end, play will commence at times determined by the Tournament Committee.

Circumstances may determine whether matches are played on, or completed on, courts at other nominated clubs or grounds and, if necessary, under floodlights and/or on indoor courts.

7. Any Competitor who is absent when required to play, is liable to be 'scratched' from that event.

Leave of Absence may only be granted (in special circumstances) when a request has been indicated on the entry form or made in advance of the draw. There is no absence granted for Finals' weekend. A fee may be charged for late requests which alter scheduling.

8. All Competitors must report to the 'desk' immediately on arrival at Leicestershire LTC (not less than fifteen minutes prior to their scheduled match time) and should ascertain time of next match before leaving the grounds. If inclement weather prevails at any time during the Championships, competitors should contact the 'desk' to determine whether or not play is possible.

9. Each Competitor must submit a separate Entry Form and must pay the correct fee as directed prior to admission to the tournament.

10. Competitors are advised to restrict their entries to four events, reducing to three events if requesting '*Leave of Absence*' for any period between Saturday 30th July to Monday 1st August inclusive. Both individual competitors and doubles' pairings may not apply to have consecutive days without a match.

4 or more events – No absence.

3 events – Half Sat or Sun or 1 evening absence.

2 events – Sat or Sun or 2 evening absence

1 event – Full weekend or 3 evening absence.

11. Clothing – all Competitors should adhere to the ruling regarding recognised Tennis attire.

12. Health – Competitors must ensure they are well enough to play.

13. Unabridged Conditions of Entry are available, on request, from the Tournament Committee secretary.

14. Weekday order of play is available online on the morning of play.