

# BRISBANE OPEN

## Rules Overview



### Our purpose

To positively impact and add value to our sport by creating a fair and even playing field for all involved.

### Our strategy

Supporting players through education and applying the rules in the right way to deliver a successful tournament.

### 🏠 Match format

- 2 tiebreak sets - first to 6 games, win by two.
- Set tiebreak at 6 games all.
- 10-point match tiebreak at one set all.
- Ad/No-Ad – second deuce = deciding point, receivers choice of side.
- Format subject to weather and conditions.



### 📊 Update scoreboard

- Each court has a scoreboard attached to the fence.
- Update the game score at each change of ends.

### ⌚ Time during match

- 25 seconds allowed between points.
- 90 seconds allowed at change of ends.
- 120 seconds allowed between sets.

### 🗣️ Line calling

- Read "Matches Played Without a Chair Umpire" document.
- Audibly call the lines on your side of the court.
- When in doubt, don't call out.

### ⚠️ Hindrance

- Does that hat keep falling off? Or a ball fall out of your pocket?
- The first time this happens – replay the point.
- The next time this happens, and every time thereafter, you lose the point.
- A ball rolls in from another court? Call a 'let' as soon as you see it. Replay the whole point, unless it was before a second serve.

### ⚠️ Foot fault

- Touching the baseline or centreline before hitting the ball on serve? That's a foot fault.
- Foot faults are considered a genuine service fault.
- Court Supervisors can request a player to correct foot faulting during a match.

### 💬 Other rules

- Net, lets, not-ups, touch, etc. are determined by both players.
- Sometimes the best solution is to replay a point – as long as both players agree.
- Grab a Court Supervisor if you need assistance.

### 🔊 Issues?

- If you have a concern related to the format, rules, court conditions, or line calling – first try and work this out with your opponent.
- If this fails, call a Court Supervisor to court to assist.
- Decisions of the Court Supervisor/Referee are final and are to be respected.

