

BUCS/LTA TRAINING 2024

LTA Competition Software Key Resources & Information, Rules & Regs and Key Dates for the 2024-25 Season



IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY, PLEASE SIGN IN HERE



LTA COMPETITION SOFTWARE

Key Resources & Information

TEAM CAPTAINS

- Please ensure you are listed as the team captain on BUCS Play, this means you will be assigned as the team captain for your relevant team on the LTA competition software

KEY ROLES

- Home Team Captain – Input match results & players of both teams to BUCS Play **and** the LTA Competition Software
- Away Team Captain – Ensure all results are checked on BUCS Play **and** confirm match results input into the LTA Competition Software

LTA RESOURCES

- How To Guides
- How To Videos
- User Manuals



TOP TIPS!

- Please make sure you have your team captain listed on BUCS Play before the start of the season, their contact will be used as the contact on the LTA website, if your email is different to that on BUCS Play, please ensure you have filled in the Microsoft Form used for sign in.
- To save other teams not being able to find your teams players, go to your first match of the season and individually add all the players in your respective team. This means they will appear for other captain's and they won't add the wrong player.
- Make sure to upload your BUCS results to the LTA every week as you would with BUCS Play.
- For all BUCS team's player's, it is recommended that they have an LTA Advantage Membership, if they do not have one, they can sign up here for free!



RULES & REGS

Key Changes

NOMINATIONS – TEN 7.2.2

- Teams can choose up to a maximum of 6 players for a match
- This means that those players are ranked in order of the submitted ranking list on the day as 1-6
- Players 3-6 may be chosen for the singles, meaning 1&2 only play the doubles
- Another variation could be 2-5 play singles, with 1&6 only playing in the doubles
- Both of these scenarios would require you to have your first pair in doubles to be the highest combination of rankings as per your ranking list, if the pairs 'equal' the same number in terms of the ranking list the highest ranked player should play in the first pair

COACHES – TEN 10

- You are allowed to have a coach or nominated player by each rubber/court in a match
- In addition to this rule, you will now also be allowed coaching from either one nominated coach or nominated player if a coach is not available at both the BUCS Individuals & Doubles Championships

FULL SET FORMAT – TEN 11.1

- All levels of BUCS Tennis will now consist of 2 tiebreak sets and a match tiebreak should be played if the score is 1 set all

KEY DATES

Ranking Windows, League Deadlines and additional BUCS
Captains Training Webinars

RANKING WINDOWS

- Can be found in Appendix 18 on the BUCS Website under Appendices
- Ranking Windows:
 - Initial Deadline: (All Scottish institutions) **Monday 30 September 2024**
 - Initial Deadline: (All English & Welsh institutions) **Monday 07 October 2024**
 - First Re-ranking Window: **Thursday 31 October – Monday 04 November 2024**
 - Second Re-ranking Window: **Monday 30 December 2024 – Monday 13 January 2025**
- To submit a ranking list:
 - An excel template can be downloaded from page 24 of Appendix 18 and must be emailed to discipline@bucs.org.uk



LEAGUE DATES & DEADLINES

- Can be found in Appendix 2a on the BUCS Website under Appendices
- League Deadlines:
 - Premier (National) & Premier (North/South): **Wednesday 5 February 2025**
 - Tier 1: **Wednesday 12 March 2025**
 - Tier 2 & Below: **Wednesday 19 March 2025**
- League Results Submission Deadline is 23:59 of the first working day after the respective League Deadline



BUCS CAPTAINS TRAINING

- Leagues & Knockouts Captains Webinar
 - Monday 23 September 14:00 – 15:00
- Events Captains Webinar
 - Monday 30 September 14:00 – 15:00

NEXT STEPS

Captains Details, LTA Advantage Membership & Social Media

NEXT STEPS

- Ensure your main club contact or team captain's details are entered here
- Ensure your team captains attend the BUCS training webinars
- Ensure your players sign up to LTA Advantage Membership
- Ensure you have signed up to BUCS Play
- Send in your BUCS Wednesday photos
- Follow us on social media & tag us to get featured!



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