



ESSEX TENNIS



INFORMATION FOR THOSE CLUBS WHO HAVE ENTERED THE ESSEX TENNIS WINTER KNOCK OUT CUP COMPETITIONS 2025-26

- 1) The rounds of these Cup Competitions are scheduled to be played on or before the fixed weekends **as shown on the Draw Sheets**.
- 2) The organiser is:

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- 3) For further information on the Cup Competitions Please refer to:
Essex Knock Out Cups
<https://www.essextennis.com/club-competitions/>
- 4) Cup matches take preference over Essex Tennis league matches; however, if you have a National (i.e. playing a club from another county) League match on these dates and thus cannot field a team please contact the organiser as soon as possible.
- 5) **The (+) on the Draw Sheets indicates which team has the home draw.** As the Home club should provide the courts, they are responsible for arranging a cup match with the Away club without undue delay. However, the Away club can make first contact if so desired. **The organiser should be alerted to any problems or significant delay in arranging a match.**
- 6) Each team consists of 3 pairs. Matches comprise 3 rubbers (each pair playing 1 Rubber against their nominated opposing pair only). Rubbers consist of best of 3 sets the first 2 being tie-break at 6-6 and if this results in 1 set each the deciding set will be a championship tie-break (first to 10 if 9-9 then 2 clear points), this championship tie-break counting as a set. Top grade balls manufactured by the current Essex Tennis Sponsors (as applicable) must be used – At present Slazenger and Dunlop.
- 7) **Walkovers.** If your team is not going to play the match, please give your opponents plenty of notice and also notify the organiser. **A record is kept of teams that give walkovers and if they do this two seasons running, they risk being excluded from the following year's competition.**
- 8) **Results.** The Captain/ Match Secretary of the winning team should email a copy of the score card to the organiser of the competition within 48 hours of the match being played.
Failure to report a result promptly will automatically give you an away match in the next round.
Failure to report a result at all will mean disqualification from the competition.
- 9) the organiser should be informed of any recent change of participating club Match Secretary/main Winter Cups Contact, as necessary.

Finals are indoors on Sunday 22nd March 2026 at The Deanes