



2009 North Carolina Jr. Team Tennis Championships

Substitution rule

- The substitution rule allows teams to add up to two players to their team roster in order to meet the minimum requirement of 3 boys and 3 girls to be eligible to advance to Championship events.
- Teams must have had at least 3 eligible boys and 3 eligible girls on their local roster to begin with.
- In accordance with the National Regulations, North Carolina will allow teams from a local league to add up to two boys or two girls, or a boy/a girl. **However**, coaches, players and parents should be advised that a team that has substituted two boys or two girls will not be allowed to advance to the Southern Championship with these two substitute players from the same gender. The Southern Addendum allows the addition of up to two players, but only one boy/one girl. A team that has participated in the State Championship using two boys or two girls as substitutes, may advance with players from the original roster or with one of the boys/girls along with players from the original roster.
- When advancing from one Championship level to another, substitute players may only be on the roster if needed to meet the minimum number of 3 boys and 3 girls. If players from the original roster are available for subsequent Championship events, Coaches must decide whether to advance with the substitute player/players or players from the original roster. Coaches should be sure that this is clearly communicated in advance to substitute players, as well as to players from the original roster.

Ideally, players are aware of advancement opportunities and corresponding dates when they committed to the team. However, with dates so far out, some conflicts are unforeseen/unavoidable and conflicts arise. The substitution rule provides a solution for this type of situation and the opportunity for the rest of the team to advance.

Southern Addendum

Substitutions in Sectional League Championships:

Only one boy and/or one girl may be substituted on a team that has less than three boys and/or less than three girls.

National Regulation

If a player on a qualifying team advancing to a championship competition is, for whatever reason, unable to participate, a substitute player may be added to the qualifying team's roster from the same local league in order to meet the minimum team size requirement (See 2.01B.) In no event can more than two substitutes be added to a team's roster for competition. Any substitutions must be submitted to and approved prior to the championship. If the qualifying team cannot field the minimum number of qualifying players, the second place team may advance for further competition.