

RULES OF TENNIS

2024 VARIATIONS

To enable trials to be conducted on potential changes to the Rules of Tennis (**Rules**), applications may be made by interested parties for variations to the Rules for a limited duration and/or to limited events. Applications are considered by the Rules of Tennis Committee, which, if approved, are submitted to the ITF Board of Directors for ratification.

The following temporary variations to the Rules have been permitted by the ITF Board of Directors to the end of 2024.

Rule 30 – Coaching

- The WTA, ATP, Grand Slams, and ITF (except Juniors) may use off-court coaching at their events.

Appendix V – Alternative procedures and scoring methods

- The Grand Slams may use a 10-point tie-break when the score reaches 6-6 in the final set of men's and women's singles and doubles draws, including wheelchair singles and doubles matches and juniors singles matches, during their events.

Rules of Beach Tennis, Appendix III – The Ball

- Beach Tennis tournaments may use Stage 2 tennis balls in alternative colours to those specified in the Rules of Beach Tennis (e.g. blue and yellow, purple and yellow, purple and orange, purple and green).

Upon the conclusion of each trial, the applicant shall provide a report to the Rules of Tennis Committee.

The Rules of Tennis Committee is comprised of representatives of the Grand Slams, ATP, WTA and ITF National Tennis Associations.