

Sport:
Mini Red Tennis

Mini Tennis Red is played on small courts with short rackets and soft balls. It's just like the real game and gives young players opportunities to have long rallies and play different types of shots.

Competition:

Devon School Games

Teams

Team of 4 and a Squad of 4 (2 boys & 2 girls)
Years 3 & 4

Umpires

Young leaders will assist with umpiring and scoring at the Level 3 competition.

Court Size

Mini Tennis Red uses badminton sized courts. Four teams can be accommodated on two badminton sized courts. (This may be adapted due to space available)

Equipment

Mini Tennis sponge balls if played indoors, or Mini Tennis red felt balls if played outdoors. Mini Tennis rackets. (Rackets should not be longer than 23" in length)

Timings

It is recommended that Timed Tennis is used as the format; players play for a set period of time, until the whistle blows. The length of matches depends on time available and amount of entries, and will be decided by the event organiser (usually between 5-8 mins)

Rules

The serve is decided by a 'toss' at the start of the match.

The nominated person serves for the first point, it then alternates every two points.

When serving, players should stand behind the baseline.

When serving, the ball must not be bounced before hitting it.

The ball can be hit over or under arm.

Serves should be hit diagonally, landing in the diagonally opposite service box

Each court should have a helper / scorer, who calls out the scores and helps out with decisions (this is a great opportunity to use Tennis Leaders).

Sponge balls should be used if playing indoors, felt Mini Tennis Red Balls should be used if playing outdoors.

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Scoring

Mini Tennis Red uses simple numbered scoring (1-0, 2-0, 2-1 etc.) rather than traditional tennis scoring (15, 30, 40)





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