



10 RULES

PLAYERS SHOULD KNOW

1. **Can I call a double bounce on my opponent?**

No. You are not allowed to make the call. Your opponent determines whether they got to the ball on one bounce or not.

2. **Can I call a foot fault on my opponent?**

No-ish. Only after all reasonable efforts, such as a warning and attempting to get an official, have failed.

3. **If the ball is flying out, can I catch it or stop it before it bounces?**

No. You will lose the point if you catch it/stop it before it bounces.

4. **I served first in the set tiebreak, who starts the next set?**

Your opponent. The other player or doubles team will serve the first game of the following set.

5. **If a racket is dropped or a shoe comes off, can I call a let?**

No. These are not reasons for any player to claim a let. Play on!

6. **If my serve hits my opponent before it bounces do I win the point?**

Yes. You also win the point if a ball is flying out of bounds but a player gets hit before it lands out.

7. **If I win the toss/racket spin what are my choices?**

Three choices: Serve or receive, side of the court, or ask your opponent to choose (defer).

8. **If I am not sure if the ball is in or out, can I replay the point?**

No. Any ball that cannot be called out is good. You should always give your opponent the benefit of any doubt.

9. **My opponent's grunting is bothering me. Can I call a let?**

No. Only an official may rule that these actions are hindrances.

10. **When am I allowed to talk during play?**

Only when the ball is moving towards you in doubles. You could lose a point if you talk when the ball is going toward your opponent.



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5 BONUS RULES PLAYERS SHOULD KNOW

1. **A point is lost if a ball in play touches a player (or anything the player is wearing or carrying except the racket).**
2. **Players are always required to call out the score.**
3. **If a ball hits a permanent fixture (like a scoreboard or bench) and lands in the correct court, the ball is out.**
4. **A player can not touch the net at any time during play (nor can anything they are wearing or carrying).**
5. **A cell phone ringing during play is a lost point for the offender. Be ready to have a copy of "Friend at Court" on hand for this one. =)**



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