



SCOTLAND & WALES PRIORITY LOCAL COMPETITIONS

Scotland

SCOTTISH SECONDARY SCHOOLS TEAM TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Scottish Schools Championships is an annual tournament for boys and girls within secondary education. The competition is one of the oldest competitions in Great Britain with over 45 schools from across the country taking part. A number of changes have taken place recently to refresh the competition and to ensure that where possible, every school will get the opportunity to play 3 matches or more.

- **Teams - 4 boys or 4 girls.**
- **Match Format - singles & doubles.**
- **Venue - school or local club.**

The competition will run in three stages:

Stage 1 - Box Leagues

This will now be played in regions from September to March in a round robin format so your school will play the other schools in a local box league. Box league areas and size will be determined once all entries are in.

Stage 2 - Knock-out Round

The winning team in each regional box league (and possibly the runner-up) will then progress to a knock-out stage to be played from April to June.

Stage 3 - National Finals

Schools are able to complete a simple online entry in June to submit their entry. They will also be able to submit their results online and see the progress of their team and their box league standing.

The National Finals take place in June.

LOCAL PRIMARY SCHOOLS COMPETITION

An annual P3/4 competition takes place in each region. The majority of these involve cluster competitions by either club or local school cluster area with the winning schools going forwards to a Local Authority final. All of the P3/4 competitions are run with teams of four players (2 boys and 2 girls).

If you have any queries on Schools Competition in Scotland please visit: www.tennisscotland.org or email schools@tennisscotland.org

Wales

Tennis Wales work closely with Local Authorities, The Tennis Foundation and schools themselves, to ensure the initial experience of tennis for youngsters across Wales is both positive and productive.

During this experience, children are encouraged to continue their participation at their local club or centre, particularly if a school club link is present. This is a partnership between a school and tennis provider, which enables clubs to grow their membership and coaching programmes, while schools are being seen to increase opportunities for their pupils and raise their profile in the community.

Primary schools competitions in Wales are going from strength to strength. The Local Authority stages, which are held between March and June, cater for all primary school age children and there are events for boys, girls and mixed teams:

- **Mini Tennis Red - Year 3 and below.**
- **Mini Tennis Orange - Year 5 and below.**
- **Mini Tennis Green - Year 6 and below.**

The local events are coordinated into a calendar by Tennis Wales, in partnership with generic Sports Development Officers, Tennis Development Officers and local coaches.

Most of the events are held at a local tennis club or school site, providing an ideal opportunity for the club to develop its school club links and to raise the awareness of the local exit routes.

Competitions are also organised for Secondary Schools at Year 7&8 and Year 9&10 across Wales.

For more information about schools competition and opportunities in Wales, visit Tennis Wales' website at: www.tenniswales.org.uk