

Regulations Tennis

GNSK 2024

Team composition and eligibility

1. Each Student Sport Council (OSSO) or city can register a maximum of two men's and two women's teams. A team consists of a minimum of 2 and a maximum of 4 players. The first team registered per OSSO or city always has the right to participate. Depending on the number of registered teams, a decision will be made regarding the participation of the second team. If there are too many second teams for the remaining spots, participation will be based on the order of registration.
2. The registered participants from an OSSO or city may only consist of students who meet the requirements as set in Chapter 1 of the SSN event regulations. In case of a violation of this rule, the team will forfeit all matches. If an ineligible participant takes part in the GNSK, a fine of €200 will be charged to the OSSO or representative organization in the city to which the participant belongs.
3. At the time of registration, the official personal ranking or playing strength according to the KNLTB (if available) must be indicated (playing strength is a player's level, with 1 being the highest and 9 the lowest).
4. The team lineup must be provided to the tennis committee 15 minutes before the start of each team match. If an OSSO or city sends two participating teams, players cannot be swapped or participate in the other team. If this happens, Article 2 applies.
5. The winner of the tennis tournament of the GNSK 2024 qualifies for the European Universities Championships (EUC) from June 29 to July 5, 2025, in Coimbra (Portugal).

Match provisions

6. The preliminary rounds of team tournament consist of groups. The group placement is determined by drawing, with teams seeded according to Implementation Regulation Seeding GNSK 2024 and, if possible, teams from the same OSSO or city distributed across different groups. The tennis committee decides, prior to the draw, how many teams per group qualify for the final bracket, which is played through a knockout system.
7. A team match consists of 3 matches played in the following order: 2nd singles, 1st singles and 1 doubles. The team captain is obligated to arrange the players in the single matches in order of decreasing personal ranking or playing strength. Players with the same playing strength can be arranged in any order. The team captain can change the doubles lineup until 15 minutes before the start of the doubles match with the tennis committee.
8. If a team does not have enough eligible players, matches are played for which eligible players are available. If only 1 singles match can be played, the 1st singles match must be played, and the 2nd singles match must be forfeited. The result of a forfeited match is 6-0 6-0 in favor of the other team.

9. All matches are played according to the best-of-three set system. Until the final, a potential third set consists of a match tiebreak (to 10 points). The result is recorded as the player who won having played a third set and won it 7-6. In the final, the third set is a tiebreak set where a tiebreak is played at 6-6. The tennis committee may deviate from the above if deemed necessary.

10. The maximum warm-up time is 5 minutes.

11. For each won match, the team receives one point. A match between two teams can end with a score of 2-1 or 3-0. The final ranking in the group is determined based on the number of points a team has earned. The first place is achieved by the team that has won all team matches.

12. In the event of a tie in points for two or more teams in a group, the order is determined as follows:

- I. Head-to-head result (only if two teams are tied);
- II. Set difference (number of sets won minus sets lost);
- III. Game difference (games won minus games lost);
- IV. Number of sets won;
- V. Number of games won.

13. The player(s) registered in the team must be ready to play at the time indicated in the match schedule. If a player is not present, he/she loses the match. The result is then 6-0 6-0 in favor of the present player(s).

14. The organization provides pressurized tennis balls for each match. These balls should be returned to the tennis committee after the match.

Closing provisions

15. Players must wear appropriate sports attire and shoes. The matches will be played on clay courts, however the tennis committee may deviate from this if deemed necessary.

16. The organization is not responsible for accidents or damage to third parties before, during, or after the match. Participation is at your own risk.

17. The organization is not responsible for theft before, during, or after the competition.

18. In the absence of exceptions in the above points, the [regulations of the KNLTB](#) are in force.

19. In all cases, the tennis committee reserves the right to make a binding decision.