## 2022-2023 PLAYOFFS RULES

The rules below highlighted in **RED** have been modified or added this year

## \*\*\*\*PLAYOFFS\*\*\*\*

The current standings are posted on the website. It is the responsibility of the Team Captain to ascertain what position their team is in for the playoffs.

## All rules of the regular season shall apply

At the conclusion of the regular season (week ending March 29th & 30th), playoffs will begin the following week. The top 4 teams advance to the playoffs:

## <u>PLAYOFF MATCHES WILL BE HELD ON:</u>

April 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> vs. 4<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> vs. 3<sup>rd</sup>

April 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> Winner of First round play each other for Championship

Losers of First round play each other – Consolation

- \*If teams are tied at the conclusion of the season, the tie will be broken in the following manner:
  - 1. Head to head.
  - 2. Number of sets won.
  - 3. Number of games won
- 1. The highest-ranking team will have <u>home court advantage</u> and should try to have courts available for play on designated dates.
- 2. A player is eligible for the playoffs if she is a rostered member of that team and has participated in at least four (4) matches during the regular season for that team and is a dues paying member. A team is allowed to use TWO (2) Divisional substitutes from a lower division during the playoffs to avoid a default when all other eligible players are not able to play. The divisional sub is only allowed to be on one playoff roster. If a divisional sub is used in a match in a higher division, they will only be eligible to play on that roster of the higher division for the remainder of the playoffs.
- 3. An exception to Rule 2 may be made due to outstanding circumstances such as an injury or unexpected illness. Any exception must be made with a majority of a full MITA Board vote.

- 4. Each qualifying team must submit a lineup via email to the coordinator by the Monday before the match (April 3<sup>rd</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>). The playoff lineup form is available on the MITA website. Playoff lineups should include the 6 rostered players, along with 2 alternates. Alignment must be according to strength.
- 5. 2 out of 3 sets, switch on odd games, play out deuce point. At 6-All, play a 5 pt tiebreak. Finish game in progress at buzzer. At buzzer, if team is ahead by 2 games, they win that set. If at the buzzer, the game that is being finished determines a split match, then a 10 pt. SUPER tiebreak should be played to determine the WINNER of the match.
- 6. All lineups will be checked for eligibility, alignment and legality and confirmed by the coordinator prior to each match.
- 7. Sufficient court time must be reserved for all playoff matches to allow for completion

\*\*\*Individual prizes will be awarded at the closing banquet to the captains of all the teams\*\*\*

Individual prizes will also be awarded to the Season Champions and Playoff Champions

Scores of each playoff match must be reported to the coordinator immediately following each match via e-mail to Nancy Froio @ MITATENNIS@comcast.net

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Thank you and good luck!!

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