





50% lighter 30% lower bounce 50% slower

## What is Masters Tennis?

Masters Tennis is tennis played on a smaller 60-foot court with a slower ball and a lighter racquet (or even use your own). It is easy to learn, fun to play, social, and it keeps you active!

## Who should play Masters Tennis?

- Players who are new to the game of tennis
- Players who stopped playing full-court tennis due to injuries
- Experienced players looking for a new challenge
- Families who want to all play tennis together

## What makes Masters Tennis different?

Masters Tennis has a simpler scoring system and uses a shorter court (60-foot vs. 78-foot). Scoring is numerical, using the 1-2-3-4 system. The first person or team winning four points wins the game. The first person or team winning 6 games wins the match (you do NOT have to win by a margin of two games; 6-5 is a winning score; other scoring formats can be used if needed because of number of players, courts, time, etc.). Players switch sides of the court every four games.

## How can I start playing Masters Tennis?

- <u>FIND A COURT</u>: Anyone can play Masters Tennis, you just need to find your nearest court with 60-foot lines (or create your own with chalk on a hard court, or a line roller to mark lines on a clay court). Or, ask your local club or parks system to add 60-foot blended lines to the court so you can enjoy short-court play. These lines can be temporary or permanent.
- <u>EQUIPMENT</u>: Be sure to use the proper equipment. On 60-foot courts, use a low-compression orange ball. Players can use a shorter, 25" racquet or their own standard racquet.
- <u>SCORING</u>: Familiarize yourself with the simpler scoring format.
- <u>ACTIVE</u>: Be a social advocate and encourage your friends and neighbors to play Masters Tennis! This is a great way to stay active, foster a sense of community and enjoy play on a court for all ages!







