

# Rules of the Challenge Tournament "DEFI"

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- As of the 2012 season, the DEFI tournament is completely integrated in the TC Nestlé reservation system.
- The DEFI tournament is composed of a single mixed ranking board. It is open to all members of the Tennis Club Nestlé.
- The initial ranking will be made by a draw (function available in the system) of all participants registered before the closing date of inscriptions published on the website and it will be visible in the DEFI section on the reservation system.
- New challengers who join during the season will be placed at the bottom of the list (ranked by registration date).
- Each match lasts one period of play (one hour).
- Booking of the court is done in the reservation system, button "DEFI". Click on «Lancer un DEFI» before selecting your opponent from the list of the players who are participating to the DEFI tournament.
- DEFI matches cannot be played on Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays.
- Invitation or cancellation of a match DEFI is communicated via email. In all cases, you need to accept or reject (for a valid reason) the DEFI in the system.
- If the challenged player or the challenger does not show up at the challenge, the reservation must be cancelled in the system and the court made available to other members of the club. It is strictly forbidden to replace the player who does not show up by another member of the Club.
- The challenged player cannot refuse a challenge without a valid reason. If an arrangement cannot be found, the challenged player will lose his/her ranking to the challenger.
- Only players who are between 1 and 4 ranks higher on the list than the challenger can be challenged (rule checked by the system).
- The DEFI match must be played within the 10 days following its launching, except in exceptional cases (unforeseen business trips, illness, etc.).
- The winner is the player who wins the most games during the period of play. In the case of a draw, the last point won determines the winner.
- DEFI match details and results must be registered in the system within 24 hours in the DEFI section; otherwise the DEFI will be invalidated.
- Players with an outstanding DEFI match (planned or with the scores not yet registered) cannot launch a new DEFI (rule checked by the system).
- If the challenger is the winner of the match, he takes the ranking of the challenged player who is going then, at his turn, to take the ranking of the challenger. At the contrary, the ranking will not change (this rule is managed automatically by the system).
- The same players cannot re-challenge each other until two weeks have passed (rule checked by the system).