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Definitions

Player

A person playing Crossminton.

Match Party

A party consists of one player in singles.

A party in doubles consists of 2 players on the same team.

Opponent

The competing party.

Game

Competition between 2 parties.

Square

A square is a part of the court. It refers to one of two squares where the speeder™ has to be played in.

Court/ Court with security zone

The court consists of 2 opposite squares which are set up parallel to each other within a distance of 12,8 m. The security zone is the area surrounding and between the squares of the court.

Ball

The ball is called speeder™.

Racket

The player plays with a racket.

Singles

A match with 1 player in each square .

Doubles

A match with 2 players in each square .

Server

The party to serve.

Returner

The party opposite to the server/ the party to return.

Rally

A sequence of one or several shots counting from the serve to the moment when the speeder™ is out of bound.

Head umpire

The head umpire is the observer of the ICO and is also called tournament referee.

Referee

The referee is responsible for one match and is also called match referee.

Line- / Service judge

The line- and service judge is subordinate to the referee and head umpire. His area of responsibility is limited to the function assigned by the referee.

Speeder™ Kids

Speeder™ Kids are also known as ball boys and girls.

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A Basic conditions

1 Court and court set-up

- 1.1 The court consists of two squares of 5.5 x 5.5 m (exterior measures) which are set up in a distance of 12.8 m (exterior measure) — see illustration 1.
- 1.2 For exact measures and definitions - see illustration 2.
- 1.3 The width of the line when using the court lines has to be at least 2 cm and may not exceed 6 cm. The width of the lines has to be consistent.
- 1.4 The court lines for a square have to be recognized easily (high contrast).
- 1.5 The court lines are part of the court which they frame.
- 1.6 The service line is a straight line connecting the two lateral lines. It runs in a distance of 3m parallel to the attack line (see illustration 2).
- 1.7 The service line between attacking zone and back court /service zone is part of the back court /service zone.
- 1.8 Service line should be marked with a straight line and must be marked with a 50cm line in the middle of the court, if possible. If there is no service line in the designated position possible (because of surface) markings of high contrast on the lateral lines have to be applied instead. The markings have to correspond to the width of the lateral lines and have to be between 3.5 - 4 cm long.
- 1.9 Directory provision: It is recommended to have a security zone of at least 1 m outside of the court, with the exception of a neighbouring court. The security zone should be kept free (for example no walls, banners, umpires, coaches).

Illustration 1 (The court is used for singles and doubles): **The court**

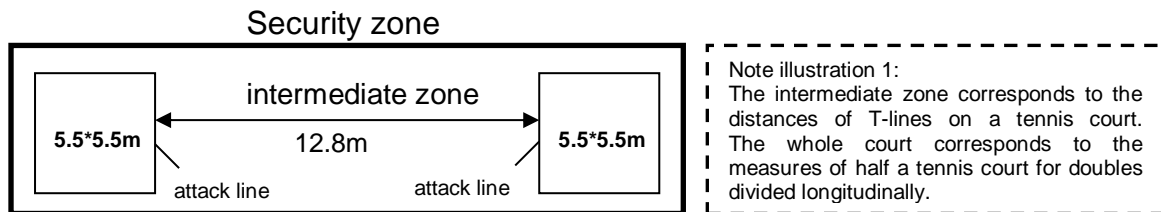
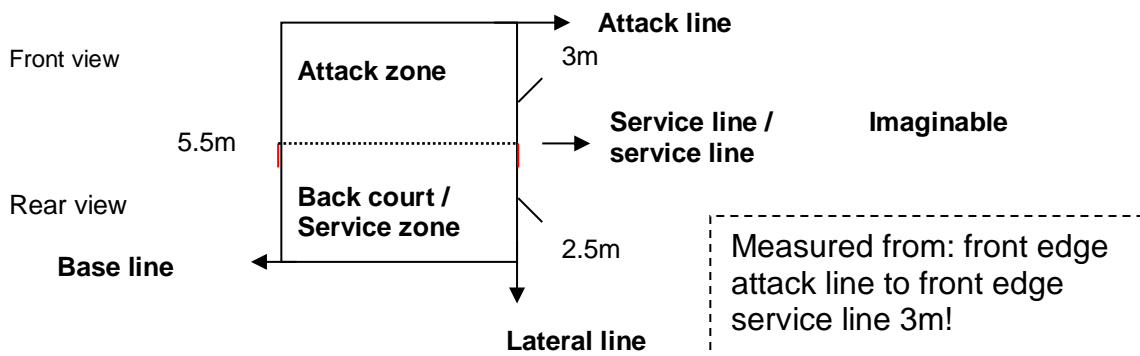


Illustration 2: Set up of squares



2 Court surface and venue conditions

- 2.1 All court surfaces that exclude an elevated danger of injury are conform to the rules.
- 2.2 The court lines- aside from the surface - may not pose any danger of injury .
- 2.3 At all national and international ranking tournaments the venue has to be at least 7m high (at all points above the courts). Exceptions may be granted by the responsible federation.

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B Equipment rules

3 *Speeder™*

- 3.1 In the tournament announcement the manufacturer or producer of the speeder™ has to be named the speeder™.
- 3.2 The speeder™ has to weigh at least 8 g and at most 10 g.
- 3.3 The speeder™ is a flying shuttle ball with a min. height of 57 mm and a max. height of 63 mm. The diameter of the conic (cylindric) basket is 47 - 53 mm measured at the wider part of the basket.
The stroke cap is semi-spherical, consists of thermo-plastics and has a diameter of 25-27mm.
- 3.4 Provided that the general shape and flight qualities of the speeder™ are not changed, modifications of the above stated specifications may be made by permission of the responsible federation, at places with unusual atmospheric or climatic conditions.
- 3.5 The max. weight of a speeder™ may differ by 1 g when using a rubber ring that is securely attached directly underneath the stroke cap of the speeder™. In the event of strong wind conditions a different Speeder™ may also be used after consulting with the tournament organizer and in agreement with the responsible head umpire.

4 *Racket*

- 4.1 The racket must not have a mechanic device which changes the flight quality of the speeder™, artificially influences its quality or puts the opponent/ partner in danger.
- 4.2 The length of the racket must not exceed 61 cm.
- 4.3 The head size of the racket must not exceed the value of 650 cm² (exterior dimensions).

C Tournament Officials

5 *Tournament officials and objections*

- 5.1 For each tournament a head umpire has to be appointed.
- 5.2 The hosting club and the tournament organizer are responsible for the security of the players (i.e. a doctor on sight).
- 5.3 The head umpire is responsible for the entire tournament and all matches.
- 5.4 The appointed match umpire is responsible for the course of the match, for the court and its surroundings. The umpire reports to the head umpire.
- 5.5 The service / position umpire has to give service faults made by the server.
- 5.6 The line judge makes the call if a speeder™ is "in" or "out" on the assigned line.
- 5.7 A decision made by an official of tournament is definite in regards to his responsibility. With exception to the case that the umpire has recognized a false decision of a line judge. In this case the umpire may overrule the decision of the line judge.
- 5.8 The umpire has to...
- 5.8.1 ... control the regulations of Crossminton, enforce them and above all call "faults" and "lets" when occurred.
- 5.8.2 ...make his decision regarding an objection about a point before starting the next serve.
- 5.8.3 ... inform players and spectators of the match progress.
- 5.8.4 ... appoint or dismiss line judges or service umpires after consulting the head umpire.
- 5.8.5 ... take care of court related tasks for which no official was appointed for.
- 5.8.6 ... to make a call in a tournament official's name whose view was blocked or decide on "let".
- 5.8.7 ... write down all incidents in connection with rule 1 of the ICO umpires function regulations of the ICO and inform the head umpire.
- 5.9 Speeder™ Kids may be appointed and are specifically desired. The tournament officials are responsible for the correct assignment of the speeder™ kids.

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D1 Annex — Variations of rules and equipment

For the Under 12 age groups the following rules are valid:

- The court consists of two squares of 4 x 4 m (exterior measures) which are set up in a distance of 9 m (exterior measure).
- The service line is also 3m behind the attack line (front edges attack line to front edges service line).
- The weight of the speeder™ may be 6 -10 g.
- The length of the racket and head size may differ from the defined measures.

D2 Annex — Doping regulations

Within the ICO (International Crossminton Tournament Organisation) the current international doping regulations of WADA are valid.

D3 Annex — Players communication without umpire

- (1) „In“: The index finger of the free hand points downward.
- (2) „Out“: The index finger of the free hand points upward.
- (3) „Let“: The index finger and the middle finger of the hand without the racket point to upward.

D4 Annex — Sport advertising

For Master Series Tournaments from the ICO the following rule is valid: Players have to wear a upper garment with name and country (country code also possible) on the back during the matches.

For International Series Tournaments and all official tournaments except Master Series Tournaments from the ICO the following rule is valid: Players have to wear a upper garment with name and country (country code also possible) on the back from semi finals on.

Signed
Committee of rules and tournaments of the ICO