



Top 9 Reasons to Play TENNIS

- 1. Meet and mingle with 10,000 athletes and artists at the world's largest sporting event open to all**
- 2. Be one of 600-plus tennis players expected**
- 3. Play in Rockefeller Park near hub of Cleveland's cultural center - University Circle**
- 4. Compete at the last Gay Games in North America until at least 2022**
- 5. Ride on GG9-provided public transportation for easy trip to Festival Village for more fun after matches**
- 6. Compete close to downtown Cleveland**
- 7. Rock out the Closing Ceremony at Rock and Roll Hall of Fame**
- 8. Join the biggest LGBT sports party held every 4 years**
- 9. Teach the sports world a lesson in inclusion - on welcoming courts!**

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Tennis FAQ

When?

Games Week: 9-16 August 2014

Tennis: 10-15 August 2014 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m.

Where?

50 hard courts in Rockefeller Park & surrounding area near University Circle, Cleveland

What about transportation?

The courts near University Circle are accessible through public transportation. Gay Games participants receive a public transportation pass as part of their general registration. Shuttle service between central points in Akron and Cleveland also will be available.

How will the tournament be run?

Participants may play in singles, doubles and mixed doubles, but only in one skill level of each event.

Players are able to play in an age division for one event and a non-age division for a different event. For example, a player could play Men's Open Doubles and Men's 40+ Singles.

A consolation bracket may be offered for players losing their first match if time and scheduling allows; however, if a consolation match conflicts with a main draw match (i.e. singles consolation and doubles main draw), then the player must decide which match to play.

What are the rules?

Tennis follows the Gay and Lesbian Tennis Association (GLTA) Tournament Rulebook and those of the International Tennis Federation (ITF)-affiliated national or regional tennis organization of Cleveland will be used.

How do I register?

Register at www.GG9CLE.com/registration. General registration is \$195 per participant before 31 May 2014. Upon completion, each participant can register for a specific sport. The fee for tennis is \$80 before 15 January 2014 and increases to \$90 on 15 January.

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Divisions

SKILL LEVEL

Open: Highly Advanced

A: Advanced

B: High Intermediate

C: Low Intermediate

D: Beginner

WOMEN

Open, A, B, C, D

Age: 40+, 50+, 60+

MEN

Open, A, B, C, D

Age: 40+, 50+, 60+

MIXED

Open, A, B, C, D

Age: 40+, 50+, 60+

Parameters: It is the player's responsibility to determine that she or he is playing in the correct division.

If the player has a Gay and Lesbian Tennis Association (GLTA) ranking, then it will be used to determine the minimum level the player can play.

If the player has never played a GLTA event, then the player must determine the appropriate division to play.

Equivalent ratings can be found at gg9cle.com/participate/sports/tennis.