STAGE	AGE	BALL	COURT	NET HEIGHT	RACQUET *(Depending on the size of the player)	SCORING	DESCRIPTION
RED	5 - 8 years	Red felt or foam Reduced bounce for ages 5 - 8	36' x 18'	2'9"	Up to 23"	2 out of 3, 7-point tiebreaks (official USTA rule for 8 and Under competition)	Slower play on smaller court Shorter racquets enable earlier rally/play Individual/team games and activities are played Development of technique and simple tactics Required specifications for all USTA-sanctioned 8 and Under tournament play*
ORANGE	9 - 10 years	Orange Reduced bounce for ages 9 - 10	60' x 21' singles, 60' x 27' doubles	3' center, 3'6" at net posts	23"– 25"	2 out of 3, 4-game sets using no-ad scoring; 3rd set is a 7-point tiebreak	Play is faster vs. Red stage Lower bounce appropriate for child's size Implementation of advanced techniques and tactics Longer matches for individual/team events Approved for USTA- sanctioned 10 and Under tournament play**
GREEN	9 - 10 years	Green Slightly reduced bounce from standard tennis ball	78' x 27' singles, 78' x 36' doubles	3' center, 3'6" at net posts	25"– 27"	Modified scoring formats for shorter matches are recommended	 Play is faster vs. Orange stage Continued development of technique, movement and advanced tactics Individual/team events are played Approved for USTA-sanctioned 10 and Under tournament play**
YELLOW	11 years and over	Yellow Standard tennis ball	78' x 27' singles, 78' x 36' doubles	3' center, 3'6" at net posts	25" – 29"	Any scoring system within the Rules of Tennis	 After progression of Red, Orange and Green stages

^{*} Red - Official rule in 2011

^{**} Orange and Green - Official rule effective 2012