

## TEAM TRYOUT ASSESSMENT CRITERIA - LPTC 2016

### 1. Court Positioning and Movement :

- Identifying between offensive and defensive play and positioning on court accordingly
- Anticipating shots made by opponents in order to be ready to move to the ball effectively
- Adapting to opponents that have different styles of play
- Running down drop shots and chase after lobs effectively
- Serving and volleying to create pressure for the opponents

### 2. Doubles Tactics and Strategy :

- Understanding different doubles formation i.e. 2-up, 2-back, staggered position
- Setting up partner at the net from baseline
- Setting up partner at the net when serving
- Having the ability to approach the net by using a forehand drive, lob or drop shot
- Understanding points management

### 3. Communicating and Adaptability to play with different partners :

- Communicating effectively on switches
- Having the ability to play different styles that match up with partners needs i.e. 2-up, 2-back, staggered position
- Playing effectively with a weaker player
- Playing effectively with a stronger player

### 4. Shot Selection and Execution :

- Identifying offensive, defensive, neutral shots
- Closing out points at the net
- Having the ability to keep the ball low on groundstrokes to force opponents to pop the ball up
- Having the ability to place serves down the middle effectively
- Having the ability to attack second serves consistently
- Hitting high percentage shots
- Having the skills to hit consistent cross court returns
- Providing consistent first serve i.e. over 80% in order to put more pressure on the opponents

### 5. Overall Strokes/Mechanics :

- Having sound mechanics/technique
- Having an effective first and second serve that doesn't break down
- Having the ability to hit set up volleys and put away volleys when receiving a different variety of shots
- Having the skills to hit groundstrokes crosscourt effectively without breaking down
- Capability to handle different pace and spins