

# Changes for 2012

## USTA Florida Voted to Adopt 10 and Under Tennis Rule Change for All 10-U Tournaments

On March 23, 2011 the USTA Florida Junior Competitive Council voted unanimously to adopt the USTA and ITF 10 and Under Tennis rule change for all sanctioned 10-and-under age tournaments in Florida beginning **January 2012**.

The tournaments will include all six variables of the QuickStart Tennis play format, including the 60-foot court and the orange low-bounce ball for competition. USTA Florida currently uses the QuickStart play format in Rookie 10 and under tournaments, but will now expand the format to all 10-and-under tournaments in 2012.

To see a video of 10 and Under Tennis in action or for more information, go to: <http://10andundertennis.usta.com>.

## 11 & Under Tournaments - Transition from Orange Ball to Yellow Ball

In 2012 USTA Florida will introduce a new 11 and under division with a limited number of events using the green ball allowing a transition from the orange ball (60 foot Court) before going to the yellow ball (78 foot Court.) The tournaments will be chosen by Region and quality of past events held at various sites.

The 2011 USTA Florida Junior Competitive Council, comprised of volunteers, is chaired by Cindy Harkins, and includes council members Maria Cercone, Bill Clark, Harry Gilbert, Robert Gomez, Jason Pardon, J. Webb Horton, Rick Workman, staff liaisons Ann Brown and Andy Gladstone, and staff consultant Bobby Curtis.

