# Curriculum: 16 Responsibilities of the doubles player when the returnee hits a lob.

Lesson 1 – Position 4 – Service Receiver

- Lob cross-court or down the line and move into service line.
- If lob is short stay back and cover the middle!
- Tell partner "Short" if the lob is short.
- If lob is hit over the opponent move into the service line and expect a high ball.

Lesson 2 – Position 3 – Receiver's Partner

- Stay on service line.
- Back up a step and split if you hear "Short." Back up all the way if you hear "Back."
- If lob is over the net player's head stay on the service line and expect a high ball back.
- Move in to the middle of the service box if a lob is not hit (focus on racquet preparation of the opponent) and be ready to poach.
- If the server comes in a attempts to take lob out of the air, move in to middle of the box and be ready to volley

Lesson 3 – Position 2 – Server's Partner

- Call out "Mine" or "Yours" depending on your ability to reach the lob.
- Switch sides if the lob clears your head and recover to the opposite service line or if partner says "back" go all the way back to the baseline.
- If you are able to hit the lob decide if you are on offense or defense. If you are on defense hit to the furthest person. If you are on offense you may hit a short angle or to the nearest person (KILL IT!)

Lesson 4 – Position 1 – Server

- If the lob is hit down the line switch to cover and call out "Switch" to your partner (if they did not call out "yours"). If you are struggling to get to the lob call out "back" to you partner before you hit the ball so you give time for you partner to come back to join you so can play in the "two man back formation".
- Make sure you run diagonally behind the bounce of the ball or preferably take the lob out of the air.
- Hit a lob return if the bounce is high.
- Approach the net if you hit a good lob, otherwise stay back.

Lesson 5 – Review of Lesson 1 and Lesson 2

Lesson 6 – Review of Lesson 3 and Lesson 4