USTA LEAGUE

MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES FOR 2024 (USTA)

1. For the USTA League program organization at the National level for the Adult division, 40 & Over age group, team matches at National Championships will consist of 1 Singles and 4 Doubles matches, beginning with the 2024 National Championships. Sectional Associations have the option, but are not required to adopt this format for the 2024 Championship Year. Conforming changes are reflected in 1.04(A) and 2.03(E) and the Glossary.

Additional conforming changes:

- 1.04(D)4 Minimum number of rostered players increases from 7 to 9 players
- (2.03A(5) Minimum number of rostered players required at National Championships increases from 7 to 9 players
- (2.03K) Minimum number of players at all championships with a 5 court match format of 1 Singles and 4 Doubles changes from 4 to 5 players
- 2. For two team leagues, Sectional Associations have the authority to require from 40–100% of the rostered players to be at level.

1.04D(5) Two Team Leagues. If any Adult Division Age Group consists of only two teams in a level of play, each team must maintain its roster with <u>a minimum of</u> 40 percent of its players at the designated NTRP level of play. <u>A Section may increase the required minimum percentage</u>. The Adult Division 55 & Over Age Group that uses combined NTRP rating levels will not be required to comply with this Regulation.

- 3. A player may not have more than one USTA membership account/USTA Number
 - **1.04E(2) Membership.** All individuals who compete in the USTA League must be current USTA members in good standing through the local league season. Any individual who progresses to a championship level in the USTA League must be a current USTA member through each championship progression. Individuals shall only have one USTA membership account/ USTA number. Individuals who obtain more than one USTA membership account/ USTA number may be subject to a grievance and such suspension penalties as outlined under the League Suspension Point System.
- 4. For the Mixed division, in both the 18 & Over and 40 & Over age groups, straight level play is authorized at the Sectional Championships and below. Conforming changes are reflected in 2.01(A)4.

| NTRP LEVELS OF PLAY | | | | | | | | |
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| DIVISI ON | AGE GROUP | LOCAL LEAGUES | ALL CHAMPIONSHIPS BELOW NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS | NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS | | | | |
| Mixed | 18 & Over | Straight Levels 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5, 5.0 OR Combined Levels 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0, 10.0 | Straight Levels 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5 OR Combined Levels 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0, 10.0 | Combined Levels 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0, 10.0 | | | | |
| | 40 & Over | Straight Levels 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5, 5.0 OR Combined Levels 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0, 10.0 | Straight Levels 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5 OR Combined Levels 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0 | Combined Levels 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0 | | | | |

5. 2.05E(1)–(5) that described the eligibility criteria for players 60 and older to appeal their rating down have been removed from the 2024 USTA League Regulations. The opportunity for these players to appeal their rating has not changed. The player can appeal their rating with a few clicks, and will receive an immediate answer, based on the criteria programmed into TennisLink. As such, the specific criteria are not needed in these regulations.

MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES FOR 2024 (USTA SOUTHERN)

- Southern Regulation 3.03E(3): NTRP Grievances filed within 7 days of the start date of the players and/or captain's local league playoff and/or 14 days of the start date of the player's and/or captain's State or Section Championships will be administered after the event unless the section authorizes the administration of the grievance prior to that time. If the grievance is not administered until after the event, points won by players will stand. Disqualified players and/or captains that are suspended will not be eligible to advance to the next level of championship play.
- 2. Southern Regulation + Chart 2.01A(4)

| NTRP LEVELS OF PLAY | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|--------------|--|---|---|--|--|--|
| DIVISION | AGE GROUP | LOCAL LEAGUES | ALL CHAMPIONSHIPS BELOW NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS | NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS | | | |
| | 18 & Over | Straight Levels 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5, 5.0 OR Combined Levels 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0, 10.0 | Straight Levels 2.5, 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5 OR Combined Levels 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0, 10.0 | Combined Levels 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0, 10.0 | | | |
| Mixed | 40 & Over | Straight Levels 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5, 5.0 OR Combined Levels 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0, 10.0 | Straight Levels 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5 OR Combined Levels 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0 | Combined Levels 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0 | | | |

MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES FOR 2024 (USTA LOUISIANA)

2.5 Level Combo Doubles

<u>USTA Louisiana will offer the 2.5 level for both Men and Women but there is not advancement beyond the USTA Louisiana State Championship.</u>

USTA Louisiana will offer the additional divisions for Tri-Level:

18 & Over 3.5-2.5 Divisions (Men) 18 & Over 5.0-4.0, 4.5-3.5, 4.0-3.0 (Men and Women)-

65 & Over Adult USTA State Invitational

State Head Tax reduced from \$10.00 to \$5.00.