



2018 Eastern MA USTA League Captains Meeting Agenda
Thank you for being a Captain and have a competitive and fun USTA season!

New Captain Orientation	6:00 – 7:00 PM	Registration	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Captains Meeting	7:00 – 8:30 PM	Congratulations to 2017 National Teams	

1. Welcome & Introductions: *new* League structure in NE

Eastern MA USTA League Overview: Coordinator email emassusta@gmail.com

- Like Eastern Mass USTA League Facebook
- www.easternmass.usta.com – all forms and information
- “new” USTA web page – www.usta.com/newengland Adult, League, will take you to links

2. Players Looking for a team

- Get Connected with players looking for teams (One Drive), involves Captains & Clubs
- Lapsed Players

3. Captains Appreciation: *new* “Captain of the League”

4. Local Business and Regulations

- On TennisLink –in your profile update your email and cell #- show example on TL
- EMA Timeline, Important dates & Team Commitment Form *new* Adult 40 & Over dates

5. 2018 Highlights of National Regulations

- 2.01A(1): Plus (+) leagues are allowed to roster (Ad 18& 5.0+:2, Ad 40& 4.5+:3) players at the higher level but only 1 (5.0+) or 2 (4.5+) can play in a team match.
- *new for 2017* 2.06: National Championship teams are required to Move Up or Split Up only in the age group from which their team advanced the previous year.
- 2.03A(4): 3 match minimum includes “One default” to advance to Nationals
- All players are eligible to appeal their rating except Nationals Benchmark players for the year following their National Championship

6. Eastern MA Local League Regulations

- 2.1.4: Adult 40 & Over 4.5+ format *new* 2 singles and 3 doubles
- 2.4: Pay as You Play – match fee \$18.00pp. Review EMA Timeline Match Fees Procedure
- 2.5: In level requirements
- 3.1 & 9.3: Once you receive notice that your schedule is published, review it with your club to ensure there are no conflicts. Confirm receipt with Viola within 72 hrs. & immediately if there are any changes.
- 3.10.6: *new* Interruption of a match before it is completed when caused by the host club.
- 3.14.6: Make Up matches for holidays and rescheduled matches (weather, court conflicts)
- 3.14.7 and 3.14.9: Rescheduled Matches *new* changes to outdoor make up matches and send the new match date within one week (instead of 48 hrs.) after the originally scheduled date.
- 5.1: Team defaults/Multiple individual defaults
- Foot Faults & line calls – reminder that league matches are timed un-officiated matches - error on the side of benefit of the doubt – FAC pg. 10 #18, The Code pg. 39 #24

7. Sportsmanship: Review causes for Grievances & procedure/reasons, when and why to submit