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2014 Tournament Guide

For All Juniors, Adults, Seniors, Players, Coaches & Tournament Directors

New Junior Points Tables for 2014

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Adults/Seniors Ranking Regulations & Points Per Round Chart

Adults/Seniors Events

See "Adults/Seniors" on our website for more information.

Some tournaments are Age Division Tournaments, these events offer players the opportunity to compete against similarly aged competitors. But be aware: there are no skill parameters in Adults/Seniors age events. A player in the draw may be an expert, a novice, or anywhere in between. Players must be of division age by December 31 of the current year and may not play in an older division.

For Corrections To Your Adults/Seniors Player Record:

Contact: Greg Boyd, USTA/Midwest Section Ranking Coordinator via email at: greg@midwest.usta.com or call 317-669-0448.

Points-Per-Round (PPR) Ranking System

Players shall be ranked based upon the round they reach in the tournaments they play in the Midwest Section. Points shall be awarded based on the tournament played and the currently published and applicable tournament base point tables.

1. Points shall be computed from a player's best four (4) tournaments, in **all Adult age divisions**.
2. A minimum of one (1) win over another player in the ranking population is required.
3. In those cases there sufficient events were not available, rankings will be at the discretion of the Ranking Committee.
4. If a player defaults a scheduled match in a tournament FOR ANY REASON (including scheduled consolations or playoffs), points earned in that tournament **will not count** for year end ranking consideration.
5. A player must win a round to receive any points in that age division for that tournament.
6. Byes do not qualify as wins. Defaults, retirements, walkovers and withdrawals qualify as wins for the advancing player and earn points per round.

All Adult/Senior Rankings will be printed in our Yearbook.

Points Per Round for Adults/Seniors Ranking

Player Results in Tournaments with Feed-In Consolation Through the Quarterfinals	Place Finish	District Event	District Closed	Midwest Champ.	Midwest Tier II	Place Finish	Player Results in Tournaments without a Feed-In Consolation
Champion	1	125	187	250	500	1	Champion
2nd Place	2	95	142	190	380	2	2nd Place
3rd Place	3	80	120	160	320	3	3rd Place
4th Place Semifinalist*	4	65	97	130	260	4	4th Place Semifinalist*
FIC Champion	5	55	82	110	220		
FIC Finalist	6	50	75	100	200		
FIC Semifinalist	7-8	45	67	90	180		
FIC Quarterfinalist	9-12	40	60	80	160	5-8	Quarter finalist
FIC Quarterfinalist Qualifying	13-16	32	48	64	128		
FIC Round of 16	17-24	25	37	50	100	9-16	Round of 16
FIC Round of 16 Qualifying	25-32	20	30	40	80		
FIC Round of 32	33-48	15	22	30	60	17-32	Round of 32
FIC Round of 32 Qualifying	49-64	10	15	20	40		
*Other Consolation Events Points per Match won		6	9	12	24		

*If there is no playoff for 3rd & 4th place, the semi-final losers will receive the same points as reflected in the row above

A Message From The Chicago District Tennis Association.



Parents, coaches or *anyone* associated with the player,
here are some rules to remember!

You are here to observe!

You have no part in the match.
The match is between your player and the opponent.
Your player could be penalized if you do not follow the rules.

Tournament Directors: Please copy this and give to players & parents at your tournament.

Did you know that by entering a USTA sanctioned or non-sanctioned tournament *you and anyone associated with you* is under an obligation to maintain high standards of proper conduct, fair play and good sportsmanship?

The Point Penalty System is the USTA's accepted method of match control which pertains to the player & everyone associated with a player including *parents, coaches and friends*.

Know the Consequences For Improper Behavior During a USTA Tournament.

The Point Penalty System will be used in all USTA sanctioned & non-sanctioned tournaments. See page 15.

The player will be penalized as follows: 1st offense-Point, 2nd offense-Game, 3rd offense-Default

Each Offense will be given the appropriate suspension points & recorded by the CDTA for a sanctioned tournament.

Parents, Coaches, and Friends please read.

Communication with your Player

If your player speaks to you while on court, **do not** respond. Coaching is considered to be communication, advice or instruction of any kind, audible or visible, to a player after they have stepped on to the court. Use of any device, cell phone, digital messages, discreet signals or foreign language to your player is prohibited. No coaching during toilet break, medical time out, maladjustment of clothing.

Line Calls

Spectators should never make line calls. A player shall not enlist the aid of a spectator in making a call.

The Tennis Court

Parents, coaches and anyone associated with the player are **not** allowed on the tennis court at any time, for any reason. Make sure your player has everything they need before walking on the court. (Water, extra racquet, towel, snack)

Any of the following misconduct includes people associated with the player.

- Visible or audible profanity or obscenity
- Abuse of rackets, balls, equipment
- Abusive behavior toward a player, Official or Site Director in language or body language.
- Retaliatory calls (obviously bad calls made in retaliation for the opponent's calls)
- Not putting forth your best effort

Do not applaud ERRORS OR BAD SHOTS by the opponent, only good shots that your player makes.

Thank you for your cooperation so everyone can enjoy the match.

Be a Winner & Show Good Sportsmanship on & off the Court.

Sanctioned Tournament Descriptions

NEW FOR 2014

The Midwest Section has made the following changes for Junior tournaments which the CDTA will follow:

There will only be Level 1 - Level 5 events which will count for ranking points.

The past local events (Level 6) will now be Level 5.

The past Level 7 events are gone, but can be run as non-ranking or non-sanctioned events with no ranking points.

JUNIORS

A sanctioned tournament is one that is approved by the USTA. The club, organization, or person running the tournament has paid a sanction fee to the USTA and agrees to run the tournament following USTA Tournament rules and regulations.

EARNED ADVANCEMENT FOR UNDER 11 YEARS OLD

Earned Advancement for tournament players under the age of 11. This is being done to ensure that young players are using the appropriate ball, racquet, and court size for their level of play. Within this system, players will have the opportunity to experience appropriate levels of competition at each stage of the USTA/Midwest Junior Tennis Pathway. The rules and regulations put in place will allow players to progress through the different stages at a pace most suitable to the player based on his or her competency, age, participation in competitive play, and results in competition.

Stages of Earned Advancement

Red Ball Tennis to Orange Ball Tennis
Orange Ball Tennis to Green Ball Tennis
Green Ball Tennis to Yellow Ball Tennis.

FOR INFORMATION ON THESE PROGRAMS PLEASE CONTACT :

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USTA JUNIOR TEAM TENNIS

The USTA Junior Team Tennis program offers children the opportunity to develop their individual and team tennis skills in a fun, yet competitive atmosphere. Team practices together and then travel to compete against other teams in the area. You can also track your individual and team stats on-line! See *"USTA Junior Team Tennis"* on our website for more information.

TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS

On the sanction forms for each event, the General Page Category should be listed only as "District Event" and "Quickstart" if running Orange/Red ball. Do not list any Level in the General Page Category area!

The appropriate level of the event should be shown in the Tournament Title only .

ADULTS/SENIORS

The Adult & Senior tournaments are offered in different age groups, NTRP, mixed doubles, parent/child, senior divisions (35 & over) and open play. See *"Adults/Seniors"* on our website for more information.

To View Your CDTA Player Record:

Go to: www.chicago.usta.com, On the left select Junior Competition or Adults/Seniors

On both pages highlighted in yellow is: Find a Ranking or Player Record.

Click on that and select "Section or District, Year, Divisions"

On List Types: Select "All List Types"

Select your Age Group or Division, Find your Name and Click on it.

Tournament Abbreviations

Junior Tournament Abbreviations:

B-Boys, G-Girls, XJ-Junior Mixed, s-Singles, d-Doubles
FMLC-First Match Losers Consolation, FIC-Feed-in Consolation,
FRLC-First Round Losers Consolation, SE-Single Elimination

Adults/Seniors Abbreviations:

M-Men, W-Women, FS-Father/Son, MD-Mother/Daughter
MS-Mother/Son, FD-Father/Daughter, Mxd-Mixed Doubles
FMLC-First Match Losers Consolation, FRLC-First Round Losers Consolation,
FIC-Feed-in Consolation, SE-Single Elimination, s-Singles, d-Doubles

Tournament Formats

An “open” tournament is one that is open for any USTA member that meets the age and gender requirements for that tournament. Entries to “closed” tournaments are restricted, normally by a requirement of residency within a specified geographic area. Some tournaments also require that a player be endorsed for participation by the player's District or Section.

Single-Elimination Events (SE)

The most common kind of tournament draw, and the one you're probably familiar with when watching the pro tours. If you lose, you're out. If you win, you go on.

Designated Events

Selected tournaments have been Designated so as to guarantee quality ranking information by forcing more head-to-head competition among top players in a particular division.

Consolation Events

These player-friendly formats guarantee competitors at least two matches.
There are several types of consolation formats.

FMC: First Match Consolation-A consolation draw in which the losers in the first round and those second round losers who advanced to that round by virtue of a bye or default are entered into the consolation draw.

FMLC-First Match Losers Consolation Same as/Used interchangeably with FMC format.

FRLC-First Round Losers Consolation A consolation draw in which only the losers in the first round are entered into the consolation draw. (Note: This differs from FMC/FMLC in that a player receiving a bye in the first round of a tournament will not be fed into the consolation draw if they lose their first match.)

FIC-Feed-in Consolation A consolation draw in which the losers from the main draw are fed back into another draw against players who lost in earlier rounds of the tournament thru the Semi-finals of the main draw.

MFIC-Modified Feed-in Consolation A consolation draw in which the losers from the main draw are fed back into another draw against players who lost in earlier rounds of the tournament. (Note: A MFIC differs from a FIC in that it generally does not complete the consolation draw OR players which lose the same rounds will feed into separate consolation draws.)

Compass Draw Events

Player-friendly formats guaranteeing players multiple matches, even if they lose every match. A non-elimination format that is so named because players advance in four to eight different directions depending upon when they lose their first match and when they lose their subsequent matches.

Here is a round by round description of a traditional Compass Draw tournament:

At the end of round 1: the winners go east; the losers go west.

At the end of round 2: the east losers go north; the west losers go south.

At the end of round 3: the east losers go northeast; the north losers go northwest; the west losers go southeast; the south losers go southeast.

At the end of round 4: the losers are out of the tournament (unless it is announced in writing before the start of the first match of the tournament that there will be semifinal play-offs); the winners play the finals on each draw sheet.

Round-Robin Events

A player-friendly format, these draws guarantee competitors multiple matches as they play against every other players in their draw or flight. Flights typically consist of three to four players/teams.

Sportsmanship



Proper attitude, behavior and enthusiasm on and off the court during a tournament will be the requirements for receiving a CDTA Sportsmanship Award. Every Tournament Director will receive a CDTA Sportsmanship Award Certificate to recognize a player at their tournament. Each sportsmanship winner will be decided by the Tournament Director and their staff. The award winner will then receive a CDTA Sportsmanship Award certificate. If the Sportsmanship Winner sends us their picture it will be in the Sideline Newsletter & Yearbook and they will receive a our cool CDTA Sportsmanship Bag Tag, now in red, green, blue & white!

Age Requirements

Junior Age Requirements Juniors may play in their particular age division until the first day of their birth month. Example: If you are playing in the 12 and under division and your 13th birthday is October 16, then on October 1 you must play in the 14 and under age group.

Adults/Seniors Age Requirements Adults/Seniors may play in their particular age division as long as they reach the minimum age by December 31st of the year during which the division is scheduled to start. Example: If you are turning 50 on July 1, 2014 you may play any 50 and over tournament from the beginning of 2014.

Match Scheduling For Juniors & Seniors

- A junior player should not be required to start the day's matches before 8am.
- A junior or senior player should be given at least 12 hours rest between the completion of their last match of any day and the start of play of their first match of the following day.
- In the 10 & Under divisions, no match shall start nor shall a suspended match resume after 9pm. *However, it is strongly recommended for 10 & Under divisions, no match should start, nor suspended match resume after 8pm.
- In the 12 and 14 divisions, no match should start nor suspended match resume after 9 pm.
- In the 16 and 18 divisions, no match should start nor suspended match resume after 10pm.

The Warm-Up

THE WARM-UP is not practice. A player should provide the opponent a 5-minute warm-up (ten minutes if there are no ball persons). If a player refuses to warm up the opponent, the player forfeits the right to a warm-up. Some players confuse warm-up and practice. Each player should make a special effort to hit shots directly to the opponent. (If partners want to warm each other up while their opponents are warming up, they may do so.) Warm-up serves and returns. A player should take all warm-up serves before the first serve of the match. A player who returns serves should return them at a moderate pace in a manner that does not disrupt the server.

In addition to tennis rackets, you should bring your USTA card, a water bottle, sunscreen, a towel, and extra t-shirts/tops. If you think you're playing more than one match in a day, you might want to bring some fruit, food, and a sports drink. (Note: Some tournaments require players to adhere to a certain dress code. Check with the tournament director for any requirements)



3 Minute Rest Period

3 MINUTE REST PERIOD-When a 3-minute rest period is taken in a match played with a Match Tie-Break in Lieu of the Third Set format, the following procedures should be followed:

- The 3-Minute Rest Period begins at the end of the second set and the official should start timing it.
 - Players must remain on court or in an area adjacent to the court designated by an official.
 - Coaching is permitted during the 3-Minute Rest Period and must take place on court or in an area adjacent to the court designated by an official.
 - A toilet/change of attire break may be taken at the conclusion of the 3-Minute Rest Period.
 - A player choosing to take a toilet/change of attire break during the 3-Minute Rest Period waives the right to further coaching.
 - No coaching is permitted for a player while taking a toilet/change of attire break.
 - Following these procedures will preclude the necessity for any penalty for returning late after a 3-minute rest break.
- (A player who is too slow to begin play after time is called for the end of the 3-minute rest period will be subject to a time violation; if 20 more seconds pass, the player will be subject to the appropriate level of the PPS.)

Record Corrections for Adults/Seniors & Juniors

For Corrections To Your Junior or Adult Player Record:

contact Greg Boyd, USTA/Midwest Section Ranking Coordinator via email at:
greg@midwest.usta.com or call 317-669-0448.

Can I Play USTA Tournaments During My High School Tennis Season?

A student athlete playing high school tennis can petition for an exemption to play USTA tournaments via the "Request for Non-School Competition" form (additional and official information can be found at the www.ihsa.org web site). The player's high school coach and athletic director must approve the request before it is submitted for approval to the IHSA. Typically only certain tournaments are approved. The IHSA has recently 'preapproved' some tournaments before each season, please go to their web site for more information: <http://ihsa.org>.

Note: Even though these tournaments are 'preapproved', the player must still submit the required form and receive approval from the IHSA.

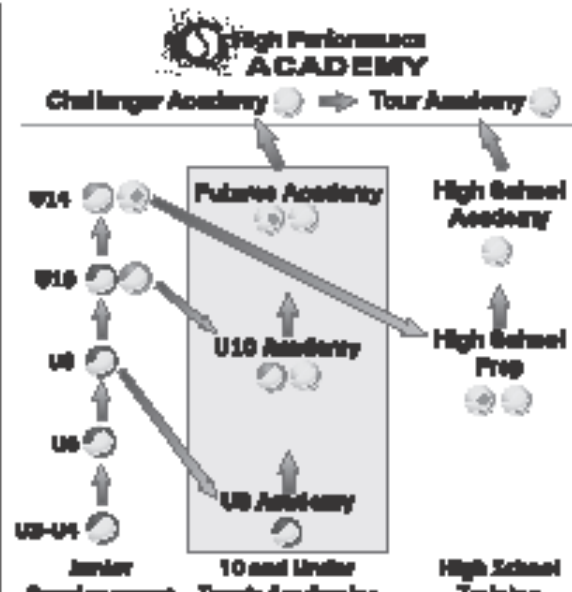


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Code Violations

The District tracks and records code violations and suspension points for players based on the USTA Regulations. Suspension points will be assessed against a player for all violations reported to the Chicago District. Notice of Suspension Points as they are received will be mailed out to the player.

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New for 2014 Earned Advancement for Players Under the Age of 11

Earned Advancement is for tournament players under the age of 11. Earned Advancement ensures that players are using the appropriate ball, racquet, and court size for their level of play. Within this system, players will have the opportunity to experience appropriate levels of competition at each stage of the USTA/Midwest Junior Tennis Pathway. The rules and regulations put in place will allow players to progress through the different stages at a pace most suitable to the player based on his or her competency, age, participation in competitive play, and results in competition. This system will allow for a player to evolve his or her game tactically and technically from Red Ball Tennis to Orange Ball Tennis, Orange Ball Tennis to Green Ball Tennis, and finally Green Ball Tennis to Yellow Ball Tennis. Players should advance through the various stages with the understanding that **this is not a race to Yellow Ball Tennis**, but a process rich in development opportunities at each stage. All children develop at different paces, whether physically, mentally, or emotionally. This new system is designed to accommodate these variations.

The Earned Advancement system also provides the ancillary benefit of promoting goal setting. Learning to set goals is a beneficial habit for all players to develop at a young age. Earned Advancement encourages players to set quantifiable and achievable goals at each stage of the beginning of their Junior Tournament careers and will equip players with a goal setting mindset to carry throughout their lives.

Grandfather Clause

Players who have competed and earned at least 20 USTA/Midwest Section ranking points as listed on any 2013 USTA/Midwest Final Ranking list are not subject to the rules and regulations detailed in this document, regardless of their current age. These players are free to play any stage of 10 and Under Tennis Tournaments and may also play in older age divisions as well. Please visit www.midwest.usta.com/earnedadvancement to view an entire list of grandfathered players by District for 2014.

Earned Advancement Frequently Asked Questions

Will Red and Orange Ball Tennis Tournaments be co-ed?

All Red and Orange Ball Tennis Tournament Directors have the option of creating their draws as co-ed. A co-ed tournament may be more conducive to providing more and/or higher quality competition.

After my player has advanced from one stage to the next, can they still play in the stage from which they just advanced?

Of course they can! For example, should a player advance from Orange Ball Tennis to Green Ball Tennis, but feel they would benefit from continuing to play Orange Ball Tennis, that player is welcome to do so until he or she ages out.

Do all USTA/Midwest Section Orange Ball Tournaments count toward a player's advancement criteria?

No. Only USTA/Midwest Section Earned Advancement Designated Orange Ball Tournaments will count toward advancement criteria. This will be made clear in the title of the tournament and on the tournament homepage information on Tennis Link.

What if my player participates in two Designated Advancement Orange Ball Tournaments in 2014 and two in 2015, would that count for his total of four to advance to Green Ball Tennis?

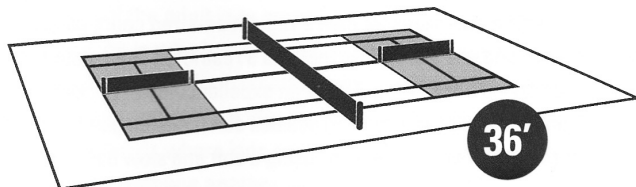
Yes. All advancement criteria are cumulative totals regardless of what year they were completed.

Where can I find at which level my player is currently?

You can find our most updated list of which player have advanced to which levels at: www.midwest.usta.com/earnedadvancement.

8 and Under: Red Ball Tennis

Court Size	Racquet	Ball	Net Height
36' x 18'	up to 23"	A red foam or red low compression felt ball moves slower, bounces lower and travels less distance.	2' 9"



For children 8 and under, the size of the court is 36' x 18'. The setup divides a standard-sized court into several smaller courts, using the standard-sized court's doubles sidelines as baselines. Racquets are up to 23 inches in length so that every child can easily handle the equipment. The ball, a red foam or low compression felt ball, is lightweight, bounces lower and travels through the air slower. The net height is 2'9", making it easier for each child to rally over the net.

Age Eligibility

Any Player until the first day of the month of their 9th birthday.

Tournament Formats

Non-Elimination Formats (e.g. Round Robin, Compass)
Single Day Tournaments

Scoring Formats

permitted by USTA Rules and Regulations found in the
Friend at Court

Tournaments

Available Districts may allow any number of Red Ball Tennis tournaments to be sanctioned.

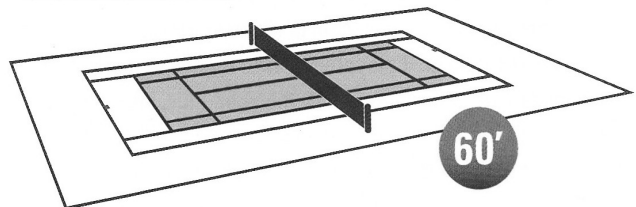
Points Per Round Points

per round do not apply. Each player will receive one (1) participation point per tournament completed.

Rationale-Red Ball Tournaments are a great way for players in the first stage of the Junior Tennis Pathway to start with tournaments. These non-elimination, single day tournaments are a great introduction for players to become acclimated with the look and feel of a tournament. As there are no points per round associated and no Earned Advancement to Orange Ball Tennis tournaments, the focus can remain solely on fun, development, and learning the game.

10 and Under: Orange Ball Tennis

Court Size	Racquet	Ball	Net Height
60' x 21' singles	up to 25"	An orange low compression felt ball moves a little faster and travels farther than the red ball but still has a lower bounce than the yellow ball.	3'
60' x 27' doubles			



For children ages 9-10, the size of the court is 60' x 21' (60' x 27' for doubles). The racquets are up to 25 inches in length. A low compression orange ball is used. A low compression orange ball travels a little faster and farther than the red foam or felt balls but still has a lower bounce and travels slower than the standard yellow ball.

Age Eligibility

Any Player until the first day of the month of their 11th birthday.

Tournament Formats

Non-Elimination Formats (e.g. Round Robin, Compass Draw)

Scoring Formats

As permitted by USTA Rules and Regulations found in the Friend at Court

To Advance to Green Ball Tennis

To advance to Green Ball Tennis, players must complete one of the following:

1. A player may advance on the first day of the month of the player's 10th birthday.
2. A player wins at least one (1) Designated Advancement Orange Ball Tournament.
3. A player participates in at least four (4) Designated Advancement Orange Ball Tournaments.

Tournaments Available

Districts will be responsible for determining how many Designated Advancement Orange Ball tournaments to sanction each Earned Advancement Weekend. (See Tournament Schedule) Districts may allow any number Orange Ball Tennis Tournaments not for advancement throughout the year.

Points Per Round

Points per round do not apply. Each player will receive one (1) participation point per tournament completed.

Rationale-Players must show their competency in Orange Ball Tennis before earning entry to Green Ball Tennis. This can be achieved through results, participation, or ultimately age. This system will provide better competition in Green Ball Tennis, as those players will have demonstrated their competency to be there. Green Ball Tennis tournaments will be advanced rather than entry level. By allowing both advancement and non-advancement Orange Ball Tennis Tournaments, we can provide an Orange Ball Tennis tournament structure for players looking to advance, while still providing other, novice Orange Ball Tennis tournaments for entry-level players.

10 and Under: Green Ball Tennis

Age Eligibility

Any Player until the first day of the month of their 11th birthday
(who has advanced from Orange Ball Tennis).

Tournament Formats

A variety of tournament formats will be used.

Scoring Formats

Best of 3 tiebreak sets with 10 point match tiebreak in lieu of a 3rd set.

To Advance Yellow Ball Tennis (12-18 and Under Divisions)

To advance to Yellow Ball Tennis, players must complete one of the following:

1. A player who has already advanced to Green Ball Tennis from Orange Ball Tennis may advance to Yellow Ball Tennis on the first day of the month of the player's 10th birthday.
2. A player wins at least two (2) Designated Advancement Green Ball Tournaments.
3. A player participates in at least four (4) Designated Advancement Green Ball Tournaments.
4. A player reaches the QF of the USTA/MW Section Outdoor Closed Championship or the SF of any USTA/MW Section Level 1 Tournament.

Tournaments Available

The USTA/MW Section Jr. Competition Committee has strategically devised a geographically balanced Green ball tournament schedule throughout the Section for levels 1-4. Districts will be responsible for determining how many Designated Advancement level 5 Green Ball tournaments to sanction each Earned Advancement Weekend. (See Tournament Schedule)

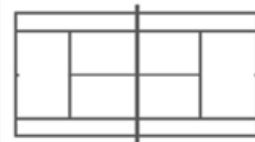
Points Per Round

Players will receive USTA/MW Section Level 1-5 points per round as per the most current USTA/MW Section Points Per Round Tables.

GREEN



Green
*Slightly reduced bounce from
yellow ball*

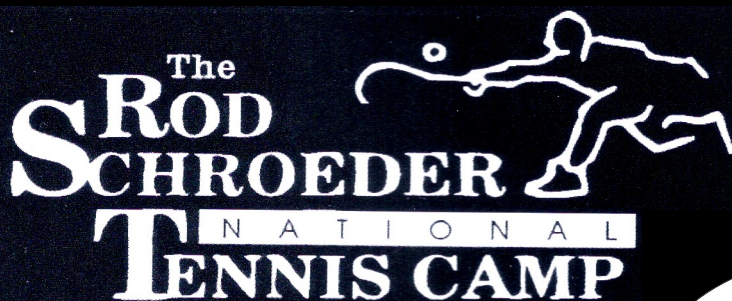


78' x 27' singles
78' x 36' doubles

3' center,
3'6" at net posts

25" – 27"

Rationale:-Just as players advanced from Orange to Green Ball Tennis, they must demonstrate their competency in Green Ball Tennis before they can earn entry to Yellow Ball Tennis. This can be achieved through results, participation, or ultimately age. This system will encourage players to develop properly and demonstrate competency in Green Ball Tennis before advancing to Yellow Ball Tennis.



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Each month there will be two (2) weekends designated as "Earned Advancement Weekends". The weekends listed in the table below will be host to the USTA/Midwest Designated Advancement 10 and Under Orange and Green Ball Tournaments available for Earned Advancement in 2014.

Month	Weekend
January	11-12
January	25-26
February	8-9
February	22-23
March	8-9
March	22-23
April	12-13
April	26-27
May	10-11
May	24-25
June	7-8
June	21-22

Month	Weekend
July	11-13
July	26-27
August	9-10
August	30-31
September	13-14
September	27-28
October	11-12
October	18-19
November	1-2
November	29-30
December	13-14
December	27-28

2014 Green Ball Earned Advancement Schedule

The table below lists the schedule of USTA/Midwest Section Level 1-4 10 and Under Green Ball Tournaments available for Earned Advancement in 2014. USTA/Midwest Section Level 5 Tournaments for Earned Advancement will take place on the designated Earned Advancement weekends listed above and will be sanctioned by each district. These and other Earned Advancement tournaments can be found on TennisLink on the Searchable Schedule.

Tournament	Divisions	Dates
USTA Midwest Level 1 Indoor Closed Championships	BG10	2/8-10
USTA Midwest level 3 East Championships	BG10	4/26-27
USTA Midwest level 3 West Championships	BG10	4/26-27
USTA Midwest Level 2 Memorial Day Weekend Tournament	BG10	5/24-26
USTA Midwest Level 1 Outdoor Closed Championships	BG10	7/11-13
USTA Midwest Section Level 3 East Championships	BG10	8/9-10
USTA Midwest Section Level 3 West Championships	BG10	8/9-10
USTA Midwest Level 2 Tournament	BG10	8/30-9/1
USTA Midwest Level 1 Fall Closed Championships	B10	11/1-3
USTA Midwest Level 1 Fall Closed Championships	G10	11/1-3
USTA Midwest Level 3 East Championships	BG10	12/27-29
USTA Midwest Level 3 West Championships	BG10	12/27-29

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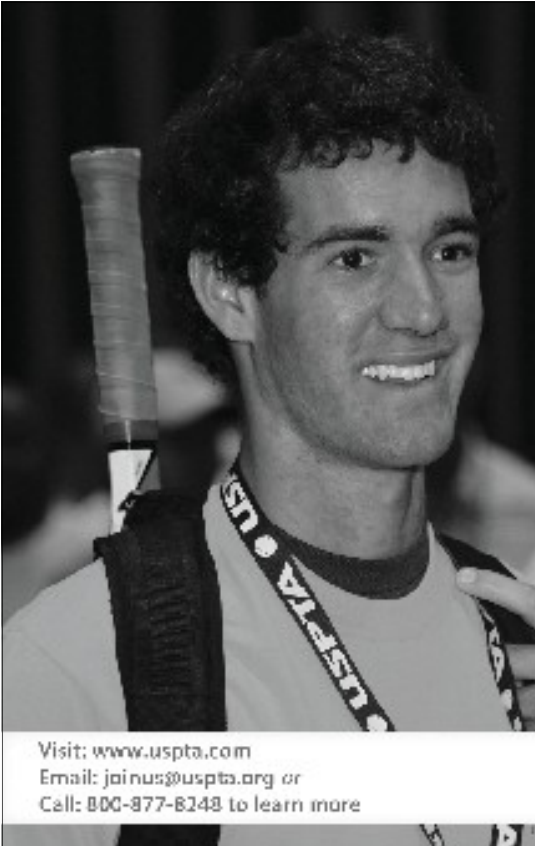
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CDTA Point Penalty System & Suspension Points - Adults & Juniors

Any player who receives 10 or more suspension points during a 12 month period shall be suspended for eight consecutive weeks from competing in any USTA sanctioned event.

Code Violations:

For each violation under the Point Penalty System (excluding unintentional time violations). 2

Defaults:

In addition to the suspension points assessed for code violations.

Default for a flagrantly unsportsmanlike conduct on or off the court. 8

Default for refusal to play or continue to play (for reasons other than illness, injury, or personal circumstance). 5

Default because of an Adult Decision. 5

Default for no-show. 5

Default for late arrival 1

Disqualification for ineligibility. 3

Improper Entry or Withdrawal:

Being entered when entries close in two or more sanctioned tournaments scheduled to overlap, unless each Tournament Committee approves the multiple entries in writing. 5

Withdrawal from tournament after entries closed for reason other than injury, illness, personal circumstance, or previously authorized entry into another tournament. 4

Unsportsmanlike Conduct:

Unsportsmanlike or inappropriate conduct on court after a match or off court by a player, parent, relative, coach or other person associated with a player, at locations such as the tournament site, hotel, housing, or tournament sponsored event. 5

Not using best efforts to win. 2

Gross Misconduct:

Physical act of violence against another person on or off the court by a player, parent, relative, coach, or other person associated with a player. 10

Illegal use or possession of drugs. 10

Possession or drinking alcoholic beverages by a junior. 10

Gambling activity (see USTA Regulation I.N.18.) 10

Destruction of property. 10

Playing in any sanctioned tournament while suspended by USTA or one of its Section or District Associations. 10

For more details on the Point Penalty System and other USTA Regulations, please refer to the USTA Friend At Court.

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CDTA Junior Ranking & Tournament Regulations

Your Best Tournaments in the MW Section
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A Ranking is Different From Being on the Standing List.
There are Requirements to Receive a Year End Ranking.

***In Order to Qualify for Consideration for a
CDTA Ranking and for the CDTA Standing List a Player must:***

*Be a resident of the CDTA (Cook, Lake or DuPage Counties).
Be a current USTA member at the close of the year.*

Results will be counted at Level 5 or higher tournaments held within the Midwest Section.

CDTA Tournament Directors

District tournament directors will use the Standing lists for tournament selection and seeding. Tournament directors are encouraged to use the Midwest Standing list as the primary list, with the Chicago District Standing list secondary.

Chicago District Final Junior Singles Rankings:

Each player's **singles ranking** will be based on the accumulation of points for winning rounds at any Level 5 or higher junior tournaments held within Midwest Section during the calendar year, in the boys' and girls' 18, 16, 14, 12, 10 age divisions. Players must accumulate at least 200 District ranking points in the age division being calculated, during the calendar year in order to earn a Chicago year-end ranking in that age division. This ranking will be based on points a player earns at a player's best six (6) tournaments that are played and completed during the calendar year (January 1 to December 31).

Chicago District Final Doubles Rankings:

Each player's **doubles ranking** will be individually based on the accumulation of points for winning rounds at any Level 5 or higher junior tournaments held within Midwest Section during the calendar year in the boys' and girls' 18, 16, 14, 12, 10 age divisions. This ranking will be based on points a player earns playing with various partners. An individual player must accumulate at least 36 ranking points, using the best three (3) tournaments, played and completed in the age division being calculated.

Ranking Points Needed to Appear on the District Seeding/Standing Lists:

The Chicago District Standing lists will contain all players with ranking points in the age division being calculated. The District Standing Lists will include the previous 12 months of data based on the Points Per Round Ranking, using the best six (6) tournaments. Points earned in higher age divisions will count towards a player's standing in one or more younger age divisions. You Must Have a Minimum of 50 Points to Show Up on the Standings List.

All Junior Rankings will be printed in our Yearbook.

CDTA Junior Ranking & Tournament Regulations

Additional Regulations for District Points Per Round Ranking and Standing Lists:

- A. If a player defaults a scheduled match in a tournament **for any reason** (including scheduled consolation or playoffs), points earned in that tournament **will not count** for year end ranking consideration.
- B. A player's best six (6) Level 5 or higher singles tournaments in the Midwest Section in the age group for which a ranking is sought are counted in the ranking procedure. A default, which occurs before the first serve of a match, is not considered for ranking purposes.
- C. A player must win a round to receive any points in that age division for the tournament.
- D. Byes do not qualify as wins.
- E. Retirements, walkovers and withdrawals qualify as wins for the advancing player and earn Points Per Round.
- F. A player who is defaulted from a tournament for code violations under the Point Penalty System or misconduct forfeits any points accumulated during the tournament for singles or doubles.
- G. The final singles rankings for a junior age division shall include all players who have been age eligible for play in the division at any time during the calendar year and who have accumulated at least 200 points in the division. Only points earned in the division will count towards a ranking in that division.
- H. Players may be ranked in more than one age division if they have been age eligible in more than one division during the calendar year and have met the minimum point requirements for each age division.
- I. USTA sanctioned tournaments that are closed for members only to specific facilities or clubs will not be used for ranking and standings.
- J. Size of Draws. Draws of four or more players must use a standard tournament format. Draws of three players will qualify to use Round Robin formats. All draws with two players will not be used for ranking & standings.
- K. Matches played in Non Ranking tournaments are not included in the ranking procedure.
- L. Matches that are at least two-out-of-three sets in length and matches which use a tie break in lieu of a third set will be considered for a District singles ranking. For a District doubles ranking, in addition to the above formats, an 8-game pro set will also qualify for ranking purposes.

Dress Code

Proper tennis attire is required at all USTA Tournaments.

Clothing NOT considered proper tennis attire can include, but not be limited to: - Sports bras worn alone (without a shirt) Shirts with reference to sex, drugs, alcohol, tobacco, or violence. Compression shorts worn alone (not covered by shorts or a skirt). Girls tops must cover midriff when arms are at rest. Boys: no tank tops or cutoff t-shirts.

2014 USTA/Midwest Section Points Per Round Ranking Point Tables

(As of 12/9/2013)

Main Draw with a Feed-in Championship (FIC) through Quarterfinals or Semifinals

Player Results ¹	MW Level 1	MW Level 1A for Nat Level 1	MW Level 2 & Nat. Level 1A	MW Level 2A for Nat. Level 2	MW Level 3 & Nat. Level 3	MW Level 4 & Nat. Level 4	MW District Level 5
<u>Champion</u>	665	505	345	265	185	95	45
2nd Place	565	429	293	225	157	81	38
3rd Place	505	384	262	201	141	72	34
4th Place/SF ²	452	343	235	180	126	65	31
FIC Champion	399	303	207	159	111	57	27
FIC Finalist	366	278	190	146	102	52	25
FIC SF	333	253	173	133	93	48	23
FIC QF	299	227	155	119	83	43	20
FIC QF Qualifying (Consolation)	266	202	138	106	74	38	18
FIC R16	239	182	124	95	67	34	16
FIC R16 Qualifying (Consolation)	213	162	110	85	59	30	14
FIC R32	186	141	97	74	52	27	13
FIC R32 Qualifying (Consolation)	160	121	83	64	44	23	11
FIC R64	140	106	72	56	39	20	9
FIC R64 Qualifying (Consolation)	120	91	62	48	33	17	8
FIC 128	n/a	n/a	52	40	28	14	7
FIC 128 Qualifying (Consolation)	n/a	n/a	n/a	0	0	0	0

¹Players who lose their first Main Draw match are fed into the following round of a Feed-In Championship:

16 Draw Size: FIC QF Qualifying; 32 Draw Size: FIC R16 Qualifying; 64 Draw Size: FIC R32 Qualifying;

128 Draw Size: FIC R64 Qualifying; 256 Draw Size: FIC R128 Qualifying

²If there is no playoff for 3rd and 4th place, the semifinalists will receive points in this row.³ In an FICS draw, the consolation winner and finalist will be awarded 3rd and 4th place points respectively.⁴ In an FICS draw, the consolation playoff winner and finalist will be awarded 5th and 6th place points respectively.

Record Corrections for Adults/Seniors & Juniors

For Corrections To Your Junior or Adult Player Record:

contact Greg Boyd, USTA/Midwest Section Ranking Coordinator via email at:
greg@midwest.usta.com or call 317-669-0448.

Main Draw with a (FIC) through Round of 16 and a Quarterfinal Playoff

Player Results ¹	MW Level 1	MW Level 1A for Nat Level 1	MW Level 2 & Nat. Level 1A	MW Level 2A for Nat. Level 2	MW Level 3 & Nat. Level 3	MW Level 4 & Nat. Level 4	MW District Level 5
Champion	665	505	345	265	185	95	45
2nd Place	565	429	293	225	157	81	38
3rd Place	505	384	262	201	141	72	34
4th Place/SF	452	343	235	180	126	65	31
QF Playoff Winner	399	303	207	159	111	57	27
QF Playoff Runner Up	366	278	190	146	102	52	25
QF Playoff Cons Losers	333	253	173	133	93	48	23
FIC Champion	299	227	155	119	83	43	20
FIC Finalist	279	212	145	111	78	40	19
FIC SF	259	197	135	103	72	37	18
FIC QF	239	182	124	95	67	34	16
FIC R16	219	167	114	87	61	31	15
FIC R16 Qualifying (Consolation)	200	152	104	80	56	29	14
FIC R32	180	136	93	72	50	26	12
FIC R32 Qualifying (Consolation)	160	121	83	64	44	23	11
FIC R64	140	106	72	56	39	20	9
FIC R64 Qualifying (Consolation)	120	91	62	48	33	17	8
FIC 128	N/A	N/A	52	40	28	14	7
FIC 128 Qualifying (Consolation)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

This new draw is no different than the Feed in through the Quarter Finals Draw (if you lose in the Quarter Finals this is the last round fed into the FIC) except that the new draw will stop one round earlier, and make another draw for the 4 losing Quarter Finals.

Round Robin and Team Tournaments

Player Position on Team	<u>Level 2:</u> Maximum 270 Points	<u>Level 3:</u> Maximum 180 Points	<u>Level 4:</u> Maximum 120 Points	<u>Level 5:</u> Maximum 90 Points
Position #1 Points earned per win	45	30	20	15
Position #2 Points earned per win	45	30	20	15
Position #3 Points earned per win	40	30	20	15
Position #4 Points earned per win	40	30	20	15
Position #5 Points earned per win	35	30	20	15
Position #6 Points earned per win	35	30	20	15

Round Robin individual events may only run with three total players.

More Points Tables Continued 



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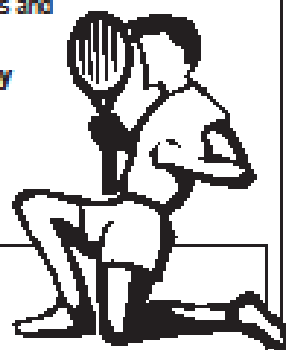
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Main Draw with Modified Consolation Tournament Points Per Round, Including First Match Losers Consolation, First Round Losers Consolation, Modified FIC & Compass Draw¹

Player Results ¹	MW Level 1	MW Level 1A for Nat Level 1	MW Level 2 & Nat. Level 1A	MW Level 2A for Nat. Level 2	MW Level 3 & Nat. Level 3	MW Level 4 & Nat. Level 4	MW Level 5
Champion	665	505	345	265	185	95	45
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Quarterfinalist	299	227	155	119	83	43	20
Reached R16	239	182	124	95	67	34	16
Reached R32	186	141	97	74	52	27	13
Reached R64	140	106	72	56	39	20	9
Reached R128	n/a	n/a	52	20	15	8	4
Points Earned for Each Consolation Round Won ¹	30	28	25	20	15	8	4

¹In Compass Draw events, the East Draw earns main draw Points Per Round; all other directions and Gold Draw earn consolation Points Per Round.

²If there is no playoff for 3rd and 4th place, the semifinalists will receive points in this row.

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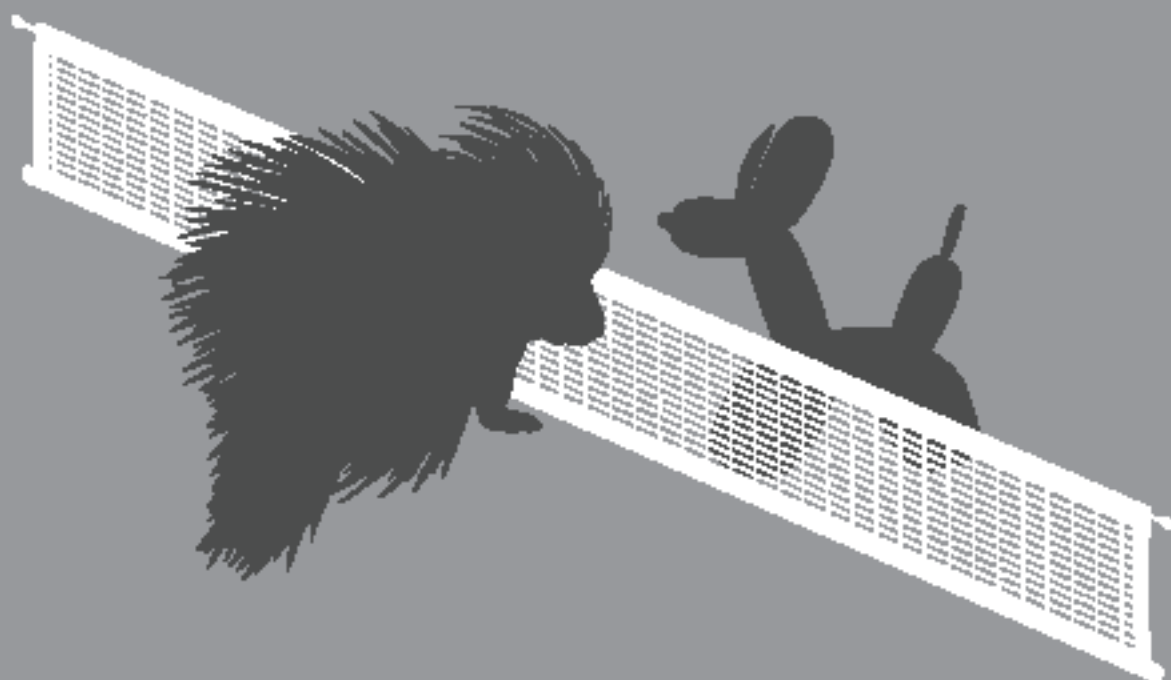


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