# 2016 Tournament Rankings/Ratings Hybrid System

This system includes Universal Tennis Rating (UTR) and Bonus Points Lists (BPL).

- A Top 100 USTA/Midwest Section List will be run once each month and used to calculate the Weekly Bonus Points List.
- Allows for a hybrid of USTA/Midwest Bonus Points Standings List and UTR to be used for selection and seeding of all USTA/Midwest Section sanctioned events.
- The Bonus Points List and UTR are more accurate than the current Points Per Round System.
- The hybrid selection and seeding process will help to give players multiple tracks to help lower costs.
- The Bonus Point System rewards players for beating top 100 players regardless of whether if it's in a local tournament or a top Midwest Championship.
- The hybrid system promotes more competitive matches.
- UTR is a great tool for helping players age up and protecting players that get injured.
- Players will be able to afford to take time off to work on their game.



128 draws (except the Midwest Closed): 104 BPL then 24 UTR

64 draws: 52 BPL then 12 from UTR

32 draws: 26 BPL then 6 UTR

**Universal Tennis Rating (UTR)** 

# Seeding:

128 draws: 16 UTR then 16 BPL 64 draws: 8 UTR then 8 BPL 32 draws: 4 UTR then 4 BPL

**Bonus Points Lists (BPL)** The Bonus Point System is an enhancement to the current Points Per Round (PPR) system. BPL is used to reward players for beating opponents that are ranked within the top 100 of their given age division.

#### Positions Determined by:

Match results are based on the rating of the opponent and match score, not the "weight" of the event. A player who consistently meets the Competitive Threshold\* within a given level of play will receive a Universal Tennis Rating at that level. For example, an older junior player consistently successful at the Sectional level may have a UTR of 11 (top ATP players have a UTR of 16).

Features 16 levels of tennis and provides players worldwide a common language to

determine their level of play. The 16 levels are based on actual match results without regard for age or gender using the Competitive Threshold\* to determine accurate ratings.

\*A match is considered to have been competitive when the losing player wins more than 50% of the minimum number of games needed to win the match. For example, if player A defeats player B 6-4, 6-4 the match is "competitive" because a minimum of 12 games is needed to win and player B won 8 games (more than 50% of 12). It would be said that player A had a "competitive" win over player B in this match. Generally, in a best 2-sets-out-of 3 format, matches are considered "competitive" whenever the losing player wins at least 7 games.

For a match to be considered in the UTR calculation, a player must have won at least four games; defaults, walk-overs, and retirements prior to the completion of those four games do not count.

### What Data is Used:

Ratings are determined using players' results which include up to their last 30 matches within the last 12 months.

## Positions Determined by:

- Applying bonus points to players' tournament points (in addition to the points the player already earned for the tournament) for beating players ranked within the top 100 of their given age division.
- Bonus points are awarded the same for every level of tournament, from the Closed to local Level 5 tournaments.
- Bonus Point List point breakdown:

| Opponent Ranking | Bonus Points Awarded |
|------------------|----------------------|
| 1-5              | 100                  |
| 6-10             | 75                   |
| 11-20            | 60                   |
| 21-30            | 45                   |
| 31-50            | 35                   |
| 51-75            | 15                   |
| 76-100           | 5                    |

#### What Data is Used:

- A new Bonus Points List is run at the beginning of every month and includes the top 100 players per age division from the prior 12 months.
- The Bonus Points List will then be applied to the weekly PPR lists for the whole month.
- Each PPR list will be calculated using a player's best six tournament results from the prior 12 months.



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