JUNIOR TEAM TENNIS TRAINING



Dear Junior Team Tennis Player:

As the National Governing Body for the sport of tennis, the United States Tennis Association ("USTA") is subject to certain federal requirements with respect to training and policies that relate to the prevention of abuse in sport. The U.S. Center for SafeSport (the "Center") is an independent organization designated by federal law as the entity to offer such training and develop policies and procedures.

The Center is requiring that individuals 18 years of age and older who have regular contact with minor athletes-including as teammates - complete the Center's training. The training is 90 minutes in length and educates on the prevention of emotional, physical, and sexual abuse of athletes. Additional information about the training can be found at: https://safesport.org/training. The course is **FREE**.

To play on a Junior Team Tennis team as an 18 year old athlete, you must complete the training prior to joining the team (or immediately if you are already on a team). We understand you are busy with school, life and tennis and that finding 90 minutes is tough. However, it is the responsibility of everyone in tennis — especially the adults — to ensure minor athletes get to participate in sport free from bullying, hazing, sexual misconduct or any form of emotional or physical abuse.

Below are the instructions to access the training. We appreciate you completing this process and wish you the best of luck on your Junior Team Tennis season.

THE EMAIL ADDRESS USED TO ACCESS YOUR ACCOUNT IS THE SAME AS THE EMAIL FOR YOUR TENNISLINK ACCOUNT.

- 1. Go to www.usta.com/safeplay
- 2. Select "Get Safe Play Approved" and enter your TennisLink account credentials to log in.
 - It is important that you use your TennisLink account email and do not create a new USTA account because having two accounts may lock both of your accounts.
- 3. Once logged in, complete Step 1, Personal Information, and select "Next".

- 4. Complete Step 2, SafeSport training, and download a copy of your certificate once completed.
- 5. *Skip* Step 3, Policy Acknowledgment, and Step 4, Background Check.

In the future, if you want to be a Tennis Provider, such as a coach or official, you can log into your USTA account on www.usta.com/safeplay and complete the full Safe Play process!

SHOULD YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO COMPLETE THE TRAINING, PLEASE REACH OUT TO SAFEPLAY@USTA.COM.

