

To: USTA League Tennis Captain

From: David Bain, Director of Leagues

Re: 2017 USTA Georgia Mixed Doubles League Tennis State Championships

Congratulations to you and your teammates for having a successful season and earning a berth in the 2017 USTA Georgia Mixed Doubles 18 & Over and 40 & Over League Tennis State Championships.

The next step on the road to becoming a National Champion is the USTA Georgia Mixed Doubles League State Championships, which will be held August 11 - 14 in Augusta, GA. A player may play on up to two teams (one (1) 18 & Over team and one (1) 40 & Over team, two (2) 18 & Over teams or two (2) 40 & Over teams). Players who participate on two teams will not be accommodated in scheduling of the event. This packet has all of the information you will need to register your team, so please review the enclosed materials carefully.

The directions page shows which facilities we will be using and all levels will be scheduled to play on hard courts, barring any weather problems. Balls will be provided and handed out prior to each match.

Please remember that Lunch will be served on Friday, August 11th, beginning around 11:45 am at Newman Tennis Center, Petersburg Racquet Club, and Fleming Tennis Center.

The CSRATA (host CTA) would appreciate your help with your hotel information. This will help them with their Economic Impact report. They are asking that captains be able to fill out a form (included in this packet and will be emailed to you in advance so you can turn it in when you check in at the captain's registration) that shows where their players are staying and the name in which the rooms will be reserved.

Please visit the USTA Georgia League State Championship website (www.ustageorgialsc.com) as this site has all the information that is needed and instead of emailing this packet to the captains, you will be able to just email them the website address. Once you are on the Mixed State Championship page, you will see a picture on the upper right side that is a screenshot of our USTA Georgia League State Championship App! Please remind your captains to download this and turn on your push notifications, so they can receive alerts throughout the tournament.

If you have questions, please contact your local league coordinator and if your local league coordinator is unable to answer your questions, you can contact me at the USTA Georgia office (404-256-9543 x118) or email me bain@ustageorgia.com.

Good luck to your team, and the USTA Georgia staff looks forward to seeing you in Augusta!









MIXED DOUBLES 18 & OVER AND 40 & OVER LEAGUE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP INFORMATION SHEET

(18 & Over Levels: 2.5, 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0, 10.0 – Hard Court) (40 & Over Levels: 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0 – Hard Court)

When: August 11 – 14, 2017

Where: Augusta, GA (Newman Tennis Center, Petersburg Racquet Club, Fleming Tennis

Center, Diamond Lakes Tennis Center, Riverview Park and possibly others)

Host Hotel: Augusta Marriott

Captain's

Conference Call: Wednesday, August 9th at 8:00 pm (phone # will be emailed to the

captains a few days prior and is mandatory for all captains or a

representative of the captain)

Captain's

Registration: Thursday, August 10th from 7:30 pm – 8:00 pm (Newman Tennis Center)

Match Format Round robin, if there is more than one group, group winners and possibly

best 2nd's advance to single elimination playoff

Play Begins: Friday, August 11th between 7:30 am and 8:00 am

Play Ends: Most round robin groups will conclude play on Sunday, August 13^{th.}

Playoffs: Quarterfinals and semi-finals <u>may</u> begin on Sunday, August 13th for levels

with more than four groups. Levels with only a final are usually scheduled

for Sunday.

Awards: Champion and Finalists will receive awards, with all players covered by the

entry fee receiving an award.

Official Ball: Penn (provided and handed out prior to each match)

Surface: Hard courts (subject to change with extreme circumstances)

Player State Championship Dri-Fit Shirt (65% polyester / 35% cotton)

Amenities: Player Lunch on Friday, August 11th beginning around 11:45 am

(Served at Newman TC, Petersburg Racquet Club & Fleming TC)









CAPTAIN'S CHECK-OFF LIST

You will find the following information in this packet:

- 1) Directions for completing registration
- 2) 2017 USTA League Tennis Captain Information Sheet
- 3) 2017 USTA League Tennis Team Information Sheet
- 4) Match schedule announcement
- 5) Host hotels and phone numbers to reserve rooms

Retuin	the following to your local league coordinator.
	Entry fee check \$30 for each player (made out to your local league)
	Deposit check (\$250) (made out to USTA Georgia)
	2017 USTA League Tennis Captain Information Sheet
	2017 USTA League Tennis Team Information Sheet
	Copy of your original roster from TennisLink







DIRECTIONS FOR COMPLETING REGISTRATION FORMS

- Step 1: Complete the form "USTA League Tennis Team Information Sheet."
 - A. Write the name of your local league in space next to <u>Local League</u>. (Do not write the name of your team or your facility.)
 - B. Write your team's level in the space next to Mixed NTRP Team Level.
 - C. Write your team number in the space next to <u>Team #.</u>
 - D. Place a checkmark next to the appropriate division, Mixed 18 & Over or Mixed 40 & Over
 - E. In the Players column, write the name of the captain on the first line. If original captain is not the acting captain for the State Championship, list the acting captain's name. Enter all players by last name first. All players other than captain should be entered alphabetically.
- Step 2: Include a copy of your roster from TennisLink. (captain must be logged in to do so)
- Step 3: Entry Fee is **\$30 for each player**, with check made out to your local league.
- Step 4: Deposit Fee is \$250 per team, with check made out to USTA Georgia.

 Teams who fail to complete all scheduled matches will forfeit their entry fee and deposit, and will be subject to sanctions during the next league year. At the conclusion of scheduled matches, all deposit checks will be destroyed.

Teams that withdraw twenty-two (22) days in advance of the start of the tournament will be reimbursed their security deposit and entry fee. Teams that withdraw within twenty-one (21) days of the start of the tournament and the posting of the draw will not be reimbursed their entry fee. Teams that withdraw once the draw is posted will forfeit their security deposit, entry fee and a grievance will be filed by the referee to the appropriate committee.



MIXED DOUBLES STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS CAPTAIN INFORMATION

Local League:		
Team Number:		
<u>Level</u> :	<u>18 &</u>	<u>Over</u>
Captain Name:		
Address:		
Cell Phone:		
Home Phone:		
Work Phone:		
E-mail:		







USTA GEORGIA MIXED STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS Team Information Sheet

Local League: Mixed NTRP Team Level:					
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Deposit Check Amount:

Entry Check Amount:

2017 USTA Georgia League Tennis State Championships Withdrawal & Cancellation Policy

Tournament Withdrawal Policy

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Tournament Cancellation Policy

- During Round Robin Play
 - Should inclement weather or other circumstances prevent the completion of all round robin play during the State Championship; the following procedures will be used to determine round robin winners:
 - In the event that only one team in a round robin has a mathematical chance of finishing first, that team will be declared the winner of the round robin.
 - If more than one team has a mathematical chance of winning their round robin, and the first place team has already beaten the other teams with a mathematical chance of winning, the 1st place team would be considered the round robin winner.
 - If a round robin winner cannot be determined, only teams with a mathematical chance of finishing first will receive an entry into a drawing. Undefeated teams will receive a second entry into the drawing.
 - Once a winner is determined in each round robin flight in a particular level, each team winning their round robin will be put into a drawing to determine one state champion.

During Playoffs

- Should inclement weather or other circumstances prevent the completion of all playoff rounds during the State Championship; the following procedures will be used to determine round robin winners:
 - If cancellation occurs before or during the first round of playoffs, all group winners will receive two entries in the drawing and any best 2nd place teams will receive one entry into the drawing to determine one state champion. Any winning team that has completed their first round match will also receive two entries into the drawing and the losing team will be excluded from the drawing.
 - If cancellation occurs during the second round of playoffs, all teams that have not had their team match decided will receive an entry in the drawing to determine one state champion. Any winning team that has completed their second round match will also receive one entry into the drawing and the losing team will be excluded from the drawing.
 - Once the finalists are determined, both teams will be told how the champion will be determined by the USTA Georgia Director of Leagues, should cancellation occur after the finals have begun play.
 - If cancellation occurs once the finalists have been determined, but play has not begun, both teams
 can agree to meet at a mutual location and time to play for the state championship. A deadline will
 be given by the Tournament Committee to complete the match. If both teams cannot agree to a
 mutual location and time prior to or on the deadline set forth by the Tournament Committee, both
 teams will receive an entry in the drawing to determine one state champion. USTA Georgia will not
 be responsible for providing an official or for any expenses related to this match.

TENTATIVE MATCH SCHEDULES WILL BE ON THE INTERNET BY August 4, 2017

(<u>www.ustageorgialsc.com</u>) (<u>TennisLink</u>)

TIME AND SITES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE PRIOR TO THE START OF AND DURING THE TOURNAMENT

FINAL SCHEDULES WILL BE DISTRIBUTED IN CAPTAIN'S PACKET GIVEN AT THE CAPTAIN'S REGISTRATION

Each team is guaranteed a minimum of three matches during the tournament

Frequently Asked Questions about the State Championships

If you have a question about the 2017 USTA Georgia League Tennis State Championships; refer to this sheet as a handy reference.

1. Our team won both the fall/winter and spring/summer seasons, but a couple of our players were different. Can we take all our players?

No. You must choose which season you are representing - the fall/winter or the spring/summer. Only those players on that roster, and who are otherwise qualified, may play. You cannot combine rosters.

2. How many matches does a player have to have played locally to be eligible to participate at the USTA Georgia Mixed Doubles 18 & Over and 40 & Over State Championship?

A player must have played two matches during the same local league season, including local playoffs, in which his/her team qualified for the state championship. One default received by the player during local competition shall count for advancing. A retired match shall count toward advancing for all players involved.

3. How soon can we get our match schedule?

The tentative schedule will be posted on the USTA Georgia Web Page (www.ustageorgialsc.com) or on TennisLink at least one week before the tournament starts. No schedules will be mailed to captains. At registration, captains will receive a final schedule that will replace the tentative one.

4. Why do I have to listen to the captain's conference call and attend the captain's registration?

On the captain's conference call we go over all the specific rules that apply for the tournament. All announcements concerning schedule changes are made at this time. The captain's call is the only way we can ensure you are informed of changes or special situations you need to know about in order to make your tournament as smooth as possible. The captain may have a representative listen to the conference call and/or attend the captain's registration. The final schedule will be handed out at the registration.

5. Our team only has four players available. Will we have to default all our matches?

You must have a minimum of six players who can correctly combine to play all three positions, but if the Tournament Committee approves this prior to the tournament your team will be allowed to play with only 4 players for the entire tournament. These defaults would be subject to the default rule (see #6).

6. What is the Default rule for the State Championships?

Any team defaulting a court for any reason will be fined \$100 per court defaulted. The fine must be paid in the tournament room prior to the team's next match. If it's the team's last match of the tournament, they must pay prior to leaving. If a team does not pay the fine, a grievance will be filed against all members listed on the team information sheet, which could result in suspension from any USTA League play until the fine is paid. Any matches played during that time will be reverted to losses. The reason for this regulation is it's your team's responsibility to have players on every court at each match during a state championship. When a team defaults a line, it not only can affect the outcome of the tournament, but more importantly, it affects those players who showed up ready to play, only to find their opponents did not show.

* Players must play at the level their rating was on the roster at the time of their local league play!

HOTELS

Room Rates not guaranteed after July 27th

Augusta Marriott (HOST HOTEL)

Two 10th Street Augusta, GA 30901 (706) 722-8900

Doubletree Hotel

2651 Perimeter Parkway Augusta, GA 30909 (706) 855-8100

Candlewood Suites

1080 Claussen Rd Augusta, GA 30907 (706) 733-3300

Comfort Inn & Suites (I-20 exit 194)

4071 Jimmie Dyess Pkwy Augusta, GA 30809 (706) 496-3579

Courtyard by Marriott

1045 Stevens Creek Road Augusta, GA 30907 (706) 737-3737

Fairfield Inn & Suites

2175 Gordon Hwy Augusta, GA 30909 (706) 733-2121

Hilton Garden Inn

1065 Stevens Creek Rd Augusta, GA 30907 (800) 782-9444/(706) 739-9990

Homewood Suites

1049 Stevens Creek Rd Augusta, GA 30907 (706) 738-3131

Jameson Suites

1062 Claussen Rd. Augusta, GA 30907 (706) 733-4656 Special Rate: \$124 /night

Room Block: 40

*Ask for USTA Mixed State Tournament Rate

Starbuck's Coffee Counter

Special Rate: \$102 and up /night

Room Block: 35
*Ask for MTS Rate

Restaurant; Indoor/outdoor Pool

Special Rate: \$79/ night

Room Block: 10

*Ask for USTA Tennis Tournament Rate

Special Rates: \$65 - \$85 /night

Room Block: 31

*Ask for Tennis Tournament Rate

Special Rates: \$99/\$109 /night

Room Block: 55

*Ask for Mixed Doubles USTA State

Championship Rate

Includes Complimentary Breakfast

Special Rates: \$99 - \$109 /night

Room Block: 9

*Ask for Mixed State Tennis Tournament

Rate

Special Rate: \$105 /night

Room Block: 50

*Ask for USTA Mixed Doubles Rate

Special Rate: \$119 /night

Room Block: 10

*Ask for USTA-GA Tennis Rate

Special Rate: \$88 /night

Room Block: 50

*Ask for USTA Tennis Tournament Rate

HOTELS

Room Rates not guaranteed after July 28th

Partridge Inn

2110 Walton Way Augusta, GA 30904 (706) 737-8888

Best Western Augusta West/Evans

452 Park West Dr. Grovetown, GA 30813 (706) 651-1186

Clarion Suites

3038 Washington Rd Augusta, GA 30907 (706) 868-1800

Comfort Inn & Suites

2121 Noland Connector Augusta, GA 30909 (706) 736-6100

Hampton Inn & Suites by Hilton

3028B Washington Rd Augusta, GA 30907 (706) 738-4567

Home2 Suites by Hilton

3606 Exchange Lane Augusta, GA 30909 (706) 733-8787

Home2 Suites by Hilton – Grovetown

903 Husk Box Way Grovetown, GA 30813 (706) 251-9100 Special Rate: \$119 /night

Room Block: 40

*Ask for USTA-GA State Tennis Rate

Restaurant and Pool

Special Rate: \$89.99 /night

Room Block: 20

*Ask for USTA Mixed State Tournament

Rate

Special Rate: \$74 /night

Room Block: 10

*Ask for USTA Tennis Tournament Rate

Special Rate: \$84.99 - \$89.99 /night

Room Block: 30

*Ask for USTA Tennis Tournament Rate

Special Rate: \$99 - \$104 /night

Room Block: 25

*Ask for USTA GA Mixed Tennis Championships (Code: UST)

Special Rate: \$114 /night

Room Block: 25

*Ask for USTA Tennis Tournament Rate

(Code: TE9)

Special Rate: \$104 /night

*Ask for USTA Tennis Tournament Rate



2017 Mixed 18 & Over and 40 & Over League State Championships Hotel Information Survey

Turn in your completed survey at the Captains Registration and receive a Captain's Gift.

Team Captain Name:	CTA/Local League:	
Number of Players on your Roster:	Captains Cell #:	
Training or or recycle on your recording		
<u>Hotel Name</u>	Person who's name is on the reservation	# of Rooms

Hotel Partners (please look on the hotel information page of the Captains Packet for hotel rates and offers)

Augusta Marriott	Hilton Garden Inn	Best Western Augusta West/Evans
Doubletree Hotel	Homewood Suites	Hampton Inn & Suites by Hilton
Candlewood Suites	Jameson Suites	Home2 Suites by Hilton - Augusta
Comfort Inn & Suites (I-20 exit 194)	Partridge Inn	Home2 Suites by Hilton - Grovetown
Courtyard by Marriott	Clarion Suites	·
Fairfield Inn & Suites	Comfort Inn & Suites	







^{**}If the captain is making the room reservations in their name and having the players change them when they arrive at the tournament please make sure this form reflects your changes when you turn it in at check in.

Augusta Facility Directions

Directions to Host Hotel: Augusta Marriott (2 10th Street, Augusta, GA 30901) **Captain's Registration**

*If you are traveling on I-20, exit at Exit 200 River Watch Park Way. Turn left onto River Watch Park Way and follow into downtown Augusta. At 15th Street continue straight across and stay on Jones St. until you reach 10th Street. Turn left onto 10th Street and as you cross Reynolds Street you will see the parking entrance on your right.

*If you are coming from Southeast Georgia (traveling on US 25 or US 1). Follow either road until you merge with Gordon High Way by bearing to the right (you should be headed East) onto Gordon High Way. Follow Gordon High Way to Walton Way (Red Lobster on your right and Wendy's on your left) and turn left. Imediately turn right onto 5th Street and follow to Reynolds Street. Turn left onto Reynolds Street and follow to 10th Street. Turn right and the Augusta Marriott will be on your right.

Directions to Newman Tennis Center (NTC) (3103 Wrightsboro Road, Augusta, GA 30909) (706-812-1600)

*If you are traveling on I-20, turn South at Exit 196-A onto Bobby Jones Parkway (I-520) and take it to Exit 2, Wrightsboro Road. Turn left on to Wrightsboro Rd. and travel approximately 2 miles to a traffic light at our entrance. Newman Tennis Center is on the left.

*If you are coming from From Southeast Georgia (traveling on US 25 or US 1) enter Bobby Jones Parkway (North/West) and go toward I-20 (Atlanta/Columbia SC), exit at Exit 2 (Wrightsboro Road), turn Right on to Wrightsboro Road and travel approximately 2 miles to the traffic light in front of the Newman Tennis Center Entrance.

From Newman Tennis Center

To Fleming Tennis Center (FTC) (1850 Chester Ave., Augusta, GA 30906) (706-796-5046)

*Turn right out of parking lot onto Wrightsboro Road and follow to I-520. Turn left onto I-520 and follow to exit 9. Turn left onto HWY. 56 (Old Savannah Road.) and follow to Chester Ave. (you will cross the railroad tracks and it will be the first through street on your left). Turn left onto Chester Ave. and the courts will be 200 yards on your left.

To Petersburg Racquet Club (PRC) (421 The Pass, Martinez, GA, 30907) (706-860-9288) Westlake Country Club (WLCC) (3556 Westlake Dr., Martinez, GA) (706-863-4018)

*Turn right out of the parking lot onto Wrightsboro Road and follow to I-520 (Bobby Jones Parkway). Turn right onto I-520 West and follow to Washington Rd (you will pass under I-20 and go approx. 2 miles). Turn right on Washington Rd (O'Reilly's Auto Parts on the right) and follow for about 1 mile to Baston Rd. (2nd traffic light) and turn left. As you turn left onto Baston Rd you will see Jim Hudson Lexus on your right. Follow Baston Rd (you will pass Augusta Christian on your left) and turn left onto Fury's Ferry Road. **To PRC:** As you turn left on Fury's Ferry Rd., stay in the left lane and prepare to turn left on to The Pass (Wachovia Bank on the right at the corner). Follow The Pass 7/10 of a mile and turn left on to Cedar Rock Drive (large rock on the corner). Petersburg Racquet Club is on the right, just past the homes. **To WLCC:** Follow Fury's Ferry past the Wachovia Bank to the next traffic light and then turn right into Westlake Country Club. Stop at the guard gate and get a pass. As you leave the guard gate, turn right on to Westlake Dr. and follow for about ¾ of a mile. Westlake Tennis Center will be on your left.

^{*} Directions to all sites, including practice facilities will be handed out at the captain's registration*

From Newman Tennis Center

To Riverview Park (RV) (100 Riverview Park Dr., N. Augusta, SC 29841)

*Turn Left on Wrightsboro Road, follow to Monte Sano (4th light) and turn left. Follow to Walton Way and turn right. Follow Walton Way to 13 Street (approx. 4 miles) and turn left on to 13 Street. Follow 13 Street over the bridge, crossing the Savannah River into South Carolina. The road changes to Georgia Ave. in South Carolina. Follow to the first traffic light and turn left on to West Buena Vista Ave. Follow until it dead ends at Georgetown Dr. and turn left. Follow Georgetown Dr. into Riverview Park. The tennis courts are up the hill on the right.

To Diamond Lakes Park (DLP) (103 Diamond Lakes Way, Hephzibah, GA 30815)

*Turn Right out of the parking lot onto Wrightsboro Road and follow to I-520, go under the overpass and enter I-520 going East/South. Follow I-520 East/South to exit 7 and turn Right onto Windsor Springs Road. Follow Windsor Springs Road for about 4.7 miles and turn right into Diamond Lakes Park. The Tennis Center will be about 4/10 of a mile, on your Left.

To Grovetowh High School (GHS) (2010 Warrior Way, Grovetown, GA 30813)

*Turn right out of the parking lot onto Wrightsboro Road and follow to I-520 (Bobby Jones Parkway). Turn right onto I-520 West and follow to I-20 West (toward Atlanta). Follow I-20 West until Exit 190 and turn right onto SR 388 North. Go .2 miles and turn left onto William Few Parkway. Follow for 2.3 miles and Grovetown High School is on your left.

To Patriot's Park (PP) (5445 Columbia Rd., Grovetown, GA 30813) (706-868-3485)

*Turn right out of the parking lot onto Wrightsboro Road and follow to I-520 (Bobby Jones Parkway). Turn right onto I-520 West and follow to I-20 West (toward Atlanta). Follow I-20 West until Exit 190 and turn right onto Lewiston Rd. Follow Lewiston Rd. to Columbia Rd. and turn left. Go about 2 miles on Columbia Rd. and you will turn right into Patriot's Park. The tennis courts will be on your immediate left.

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