

Interested in learning the differences between Junior NTRP Ratings, Adult NTRP Ratings and USTA Rankings/Standings?



The chart below breaks down some of the major differences. Ratings are your National Tennis Ratings Program (NTRP) skill level assignment for participating in a USTA League, USTA Junior Team Tennis or in USTA-sanctioned adult or junior tournaments. Rankings & Standings are determined by points earned and your results at USTA-sanctioned tournaments.

JUNIOR NTRP RATINGS	ADULT NTRP RATINGS	USTA RANKINGS/STANDINGS
USED IN:		
USTA Junior Team Tennis & USTA-sanctioned junior tournaments	USTA League and USTA-sanctioned adult NTRP tournaments	USTA-sanctioned junior and adult tournaments
REFLECTS:		
Skill level is generated by results in 12U-18U divisions in USTA-sanctioned and non-sanctioned junior tournaments and/or USTA Junior Team Tennis leagues, USTA men's/women's Opens, USTA Pro Circuit events and/or U.S. International Tennis Federation events.	Skill level is generated by results in USTA League and/or USTA NTRP adult tournaments.	Ranking & standings points are earned by winning singles and doubles matches at various types of USTA-sanctioned tournaments and designated ITF tournaments.
UPDATED:		
Junior Ratings are calculated nightly and will be updated every two weeks for public view.	Year-end ratings are published in December and determine the level at which a player must play the following year.	Standings are released as often as once a week. However, final rankings are released in January and reflect a player's final position in a given age division for the previous year.
SCALE:		
The rating scale for junior players is shown in tenths, starting with 2.0, which is the lowest, progressing to 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, etc., until 7.0, which is the highest rating given to world class players with ATP/WTA points.	The rating scale for adults starts with 2.0, progressing to 2.5, 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, etc., until 7.0 which is the highest rating given to world class players with ATP/WTA points.	The ranking system uses a Points Per Round Combined Ranking System (PPR). Ranking points earned in singles and doubles matches are combined (with greater weight placed on ranking points earned in singles) and players are ordered based on this total. The range of points possible varies based on level of tournament (district, section, national) and the player's advancement through the main draw.



RESULTS:		
Junior ratings are based on match results from the last 18 months with more recent matches weighted more heavily in the calculation.	Adult ratings are based on match results from the last 12 months with more recent and championship matches weighted more heavily in the calculation.	Adult and junior standings and rankings are based on results from the best six tournaments for each player during the past 12 months. A player may have played in more than six tournaments, however, only the results from the six best tournaments will count for rankings and standings.
GENDER COMPARISON:		
In Junior Ratings, boys and girls are on same scale. A 3.2 boy and a 3.2 girl will have an equal chance of winning a match against one another.	In adult ratings, men and women ratings are intentionally separated from each other. Generally, a 4.0 woman would have an equal chance of winning a match against a 3.5 man.	In tournaments, men and women are traditionally separated in unconnected draws. However, in 10-and-under and entry level junior tournaments, boys and girls can be placed in co-ed draws.
DOUBLES:		
Junior Ratings include doubles and mixed doubles in the calculation.	USTA League players who <u>only</u> play mixed doubles will generate a rating from mixed doubles. For those who participate in the Adult or Senior divisions, mixed doubles results will not affect their final rating.	Doubles in junior and adult tournaments contribute to a player's standing and year-end ranking.
APPEAL PROCESS:		
Junior Ratings do not have an appeal process.	Adults can appeal their year-end rating. However, the appeal will only be granted if they meet appeal criteria.	If players find an error in their player record, they can contact their USTA section administrator to correct the result.