2017 Adult 40 & Over Playoff Information



Dear Captains and Co-captains,

The 2017 Adult 40 & Over local league season is almost finished and playoffs are approaching fast. If your team is in contention for playoffs, please review the important dates, deadlines and rule changes below.

Good sportsmanship makes the game more enjoyable for everyone. Encourage your players to review The Code of Tennis

Principle 1:

Courtesy is expected. Tennis is a game that requires cooperation and courtesy.

Important Dates and Deadlines

March 26* Last day to complete local league matches. No extensions.

Refer to ULR 2.00B for not completed matches.

March 27, 9pm* Deadline to notify away team of date/time of first round playoff

match. Refer to ULR 2.00D(1).

March 30 - April 2* First round of playoffs

April 3, 9pm Deadline to notify away team of date/time for second round of

playoff match. Refer to ULR 2.00D(1).

April 13-16 Second round of playoffs

*Exception for flights of exactly 5 teams:

- Last day to complete local league matches: April 2
- Deadline to notify away team of date/time of playoff match: April 3, 9pm
- Playoffs: April 13-16

Captains are encouraged to agree to play playoff matches earlier than the designated weekend if weather could be a problem. Refer to <u>The Code</u>.

 Playoffs expand to 5 lines for 3.0, 3.5, 4.0 & 4.5+. Start times and designated weekends are as follows (Adult 40 & Over Playoffs only). Refer to <u>ULR 2.00B(1)</u>.

- Thursday Friday: 6:00 PM 8:00 PM
- Saturday Sunday: 8:00 AM 7:00 PM
- Home team may preschedule up to 2 rain make-up dates & times within the designated weekend. Refer to *ULR* 2.00D(1)a.
- Inclement weather is a valid reason to move to indoor courts. The visiting team is not required to pay fees for indoor court usage. Refer to <u>ULR</u> 2.00B(7).
- If a playoff match is not completed by the deadline, a **weighted draw** will determine the winner. *Refer to ULR 2.00D(2)*.

Player Eligibility

Please refer to ULR 1.04G for player eligibility for postseason play. Key points:

- Players may only play for **one team** per level during post season play.
- Players must have played a **minimum of 2 matches** for the same team; one default received. Don't wait until the last match to qualify your players.

NTRP Grievances & Dynamic Disqualifications

An NTRP grievance may be filed at any time prior to 48 hours after the completion of Sectional Championships. NTRP grievances will not be decided within 21 days of the start of the player's and/or captain's District or Sectional Championships, and will be administered after the event unless the section authorizes the administration of the grievance prior to that time. If the grievance is not administered until after the event, points won by the player will stand. Refer to <u>ULR 3.03E(3)</u>.

Please refer to the "Protocol for Filing a Self-Rate Grievance" for more information on claim standards that have to be met for a self-rate grievance to be accepted.

Dynamic calculations will be run following the conclusion of Championships and disqualify those who meet the criteria for NTRP Dynamic Disqualification. Refer to *ULR* 2.00B(2)b.

Championship Participation

The winner of playoffs will advance to Districts.

Women's 5.0+ and Men's 3.0 will advance directly to Sectionals.

Please refer to this page for wildcard information.

The championship fee is \$150 for 5-line leagues and \$90 for 3-line leagues.

Good luck for the remainder of the season!