

2015 Grand Prix Rules and Regulations

The USTA NorCal Grand Prix is a series of tournaments linked together by a point system to determine invitation to the Grand Prix playoffs for NTRP and senior players. The Points Per Round System will be used to calculate the Grand Prix points accumulated in all tournaments played during the Grand Prix season. The Grand Prix tournaments will not count towards Grand Prix rankings. The Grand Prix Points list is the list type used for Grand Prix selection for Open, NTRP and Seniors.

To be eligible for the Grand Prix tournaments and/or prize money players must be USTA NorCal members. The Grand Prix tournaments will count towards year-end NorCal rankings. The players must register in order to be considered no matter how highly they are ranked.

Players wishing to qualify for the NTRP Grand Prix will be required to compete in a minimum number of tournaments during the Grand Prix Season to participate in that event at the NTRP Grand Prix. For the NTRP Grand Prix, players will be limited to entering one singles event, one doubles event, and one mixed doubles event.

NTRP Division	Men's Divisions		Women's Divisions		Mixed Doubles Divisions
	Singles	Doubles	Singles	Doubles	
2.5	1	1	2	1	1
3.0	4	2	4	2	2
3.5	6	2	6	2	4
4.0	6	3	6	3	3
4.5	6	2	2	1	2
5.0	5	2	1	1	1
5.5	3	1	1	1	1

Players wishing to qualify for the Senior and Open Grand Prix will be required to compete in at least one tournament in their respective division during the Grand Prix season.

The top 8 entries in each category (16 Men's Open Singles) will be invited to play in the Grand Prix event. Doubles teams for all adult Grand Prix events will be selected by combining the two partners' individual points and inviting those teams with the highest combined totals. Should a tie exist in determining the last invited position for the Grand Prix tournament in an NTRP or senior division, the following criteria will be used, in order, until the tie is broken: most tournaments played; most matches played; head-to-head matches won; coin toss.

USTA NorCal awards NTRP, Senior, and Open Singles Player of the Year and Doubles teams of the Year for each division. These awards are given to the person or team with the highest number of points in the season who meet the sportsmanship criteria and minimum tournament requirement. The doubles award is based on the team list.

Grand Prix Defaults

Effective with the NTRP and Senior Grand Prix in 2006 all no show, refusal to play, or unsportsmanlike conduct defaults will result in disqualification for the following year's Grand Prix tournament. This decision may be appealed.

2015 Season Dates

NTRP

Season - October 1, 2014 through September 27, 2015 *

Grand Prix Tournament- October 17-18, 24-25 at Gold River Racquet Club. October 25 will only be used as a rain date.

SENIOR/OPEN

Senior Season – October 1, 2015 through September 27, 2015 *

Open Season - October 1, 2015 through September 27, 2015 *

Grand Prix Tournament for ages 30-85 and all Open Categories will be on October 30 – November 1 at Seascape Sports Club.

** Results from any other tournament that is completed after the end of the Grand Prix Points Race Period shall count toward the following year's Adult, Senior, Family and NTRP Grand Prix Points Race. The Grand Prix tournaments will not count towards Grand Prix rankings.*