



The Dallas Tennis Association presents...

# 2021 USTA Dallas 40 & Over ADULT League

**TEAM NUMBERS Available NOW and Player Registration Opens Monday, 11/30/2020**

**Level of Play:**

NTRP 3.0, 3.5, 4.0 and 4.5

**NEW 2021!** OPEN (Both Men and Women). OPEN is NTRP 5.0 and above.

**NEW 2021! 2021 USTA Nationals Changes — Plus (+) Leagues ELIMINATED**

*Plus (+) Leagues Have Been Eliminated - 40 & Over 4.5+ Leagues are no longer National Programs. In no National program (those advancing to a National Championship) may a player's NTRP rating exceed the team NTRP level.*

**Format:**

**NEW 2021 LOCAL LEAGUE ONLY!**

2 singles and 3 doubles (NTRP 3.0, 3.5, 4.0 and 4.5)

**NEW 2021 LOCAL LEAGUE ONLY!**

OPEN – 1 singles and 2 doubles (Both Men and Women)

**IMPORTANT NOTE!**

USTA Texas Section and USTA Nationals will both play 1 singles and 3 doubles. OPEN will play 3 doubles.

**2021 USTA Dallas 40 & over ADULT CITY CHAMPIONSHIP will follow the Texas Section and Nationals format of 1 singles and 3 doubles. Sectionals will be 8/27-29, 2021 in Houston, TX.**

**2021 USTA Dallas 40 & over ADULT CITY CHAMPIONSHIP M. and W. OPEN Level (5.0 and above) will follow the Texas Section and Nationals Invitational format of 3 doubles. The Nationals Invitational will be 9/23-26, 2021 in Las Vegas, NV.**

**Scoring:**

**2020 USTA Dallas Rules and Regulations:**

**7A.** All local league matches, and local league championship matches will be played using the best of two sets criteria, conventional scoring, with a Coman set tiebreak (the first to 7 by 2) at 6 games all and a Coman match tiebreak (the first to 10 by 2) in the event of split sets. In the Coman tiebreak players change ends of the court after the 1st point, the 5th point, the 9th point, the 13th point, etc...

**League Start Dates:**

Men's Saturday League will begin on 1/23/2021.

Women's Friday League will begin on 1/22/2021. Women's Sunday League will begin on 1/24/2021.

Team rosters (minimum of 8 players; OPEN – 5 players) are due on TENNIS LINK no later than Friday, 12/18/2020 to be included on schedule. ***The 40 & Over ADULT League play may be scheduled over of 3/13-20, 2021 if team registration numbers dictate for weeks of play.*** Season will run 6-8 weeks depending on registration numbers. League schedules are set to publish on TENNIS LINK on Tuesday, 1/12/2021.

**Player Registration:**

- (1) A player must be 40 years old or turning 40 within the calendar year at the time of registration.
- (2) Player registration is online at the TENNIS LINK website at <http://tennislink.usta.com/leagues>. Once on the TENNIS LINK Leagues website, click on "Register for a team" and enter your USTA number and the team number. Follow the prompts through the credit card portion. Once you have successfully completed registration you will receive a screen notification and an e-mail confirmation.
- (3) 2020 USTA Dallas 40 & Over ADULT League fee: \$38.00 *(including \$3.00 active.com fee)*

**Player League fees are NON-REFUNDABLE/TRANSFERRABLE unless the level entered does not make. Please advise your players accordingly.**

**Match Times:**

1. **Saturday ADULT League only:** Any time between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. is an acceptable start time for the Saturday League.
2. **Women's ADULT Fall/Winter Leagues:** Any time between 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. is an acceptable start time for the Thursday or Friday Leagues and any time between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00pm is an acceptable start time for the Saturday or Sunday Leagues, unless both captains agree to an alternate time

**Player Eligibility for Post Season Advancement:**

**2C.** All players with a valid computer rating must play two (2) matches during the local league season in all leagues other than 55 & Over MIXED, Combo Doubles and Tri Level which require only one (1) match to be eligible to participate in championship competition (Local League Championship, Sectionals, etc...).

**2D.** In the Adult and Mixed Divisions, all players other than Self-Rated and Valid Computer Rated Appealed Players are eligible to advance to National Championship competition if that player has played on the same team in at least three (3) matches at the same NTRP level in the same Age Group through Sectional Championships and is otherwise eligible. A maximum of one (1) default received by the player during local league or championship competition shall count for advancing.

Eligibility to advance to National Championships for self-rated and computer-rated appealed players requires playing at least four (4) matches on the same team at the same level in the same Age Group. No defaults received count.

**NEW!!! 2021 Sectional Rule! Local League to follow.**

Self-rate and computer rated appealed players will need three (3) matches, zero (0) defaults to be eligible to participate in championship competition (Local League Championship, Sectionals, etc...).

If you are planning to field a team(s) and need a team number, please email [leagues@dta.org](mailto:leagues@dta.org) with the following information:

- (1) League, including day
- (2) Level
- (3) Facility
- (4) Captain's Name
- (5) Captain's USTA #

Thank you for your continued support of USTA.