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#### **Team Tennis Overview**

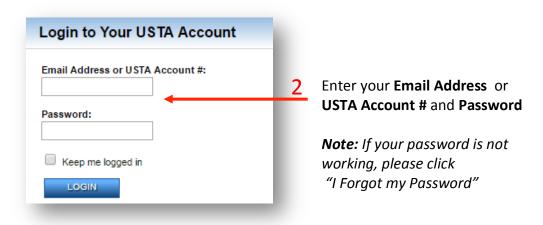
This guide will assist new Junior Team Tennis Coaches/Captains in navigating the Junior Team Tennis application on TennisLink in addition to explaining key functions that are used in the course of a season.

## **Navigating to Team Tennis**

**Log in to Junior Team Tennis Application** 

Navigate to **TennisLink** Homepage: tennislink.usta.com





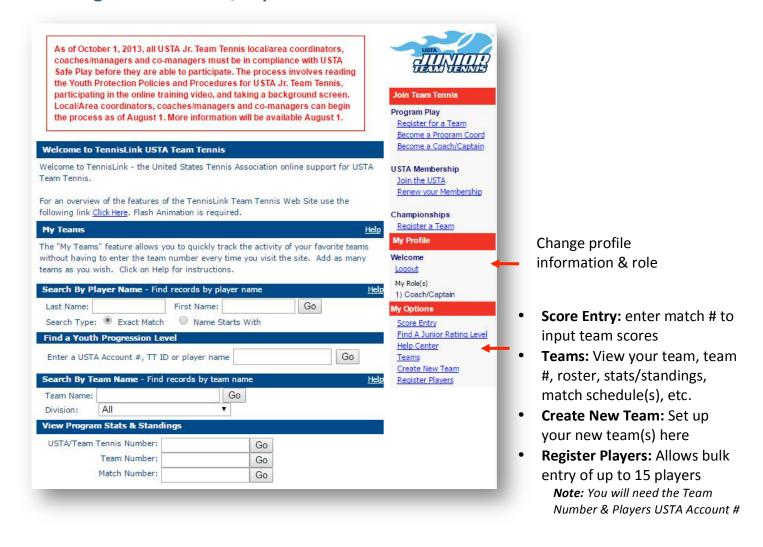
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### Site Navigation as Coach/Captain

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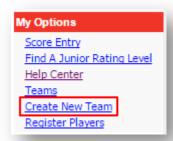


#### **Create New Team**

- 1. Login to TennisLink Team Tennis Homepage
- 2. Click Junior Team Tennis Tab



3. Click Create New Team under My Options



4. Select your **Section**, **District**, & **Area** from dropdown list



- 5. Click Go
- 6. Click Jr next to desired program
- 7. Enter **Team Name**
- 8. Select Site Facility & Division
- 9. Enter Co-Captain USTA Account #
- 10. Click Get
  - Note: You will not be able to add them if they have not completed the Safe Play process
- 11. Click Save

#### **Enter Match Score**

- 1. Login to TennisLink Team Tennis Homepage
- 2. Click Junior Team Tennis tab
- 3. Click Score Entry under My Options



4. Enter Match Number, click Next



5. Confirm match details are correct, click Next



- 6. Enter Date Match Played (mm/dd/yyyy)
- 7. Select match players from dropdown list
- 8. Enter Winning Team Score
  - Note: Score must be entered from the winner's perspective, ex. 8-4
- 9. Select winning team into Winner dropdown

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10. Repeat steps 7-9 for each line



11. Click Next to confirm scores

#### **Bulk Player Registration**

- 1. Login to TennisLink Team Tennis Homepage
- 2. Click Junior Team Tennis Tab
- 3. Click Register Players under My Options



- 4. Enter Team Number
- 5. Enter player's **USTA Account** number



- Note: Click on + Add More Players to register up to 15 players at a time
- 6. Click Submit when done
- 7. Follow prompts to checkout page

#### Find Team Schedules, Rosters, Stats and Standing & Blank Scorecards

- 1. Login to TennisLink Team Tennis Homepage
- 2. Click Junior Team Tennis Tab
- 3. Click **Teams** under **My Options**



- 4. Click paper icon next to team
- 5. Choose desired function
  - Team Summary
  - Match Summary
  - Match Schedule
  - Player Roster
  - Blank Scorecard



## **Reading a Team Schedule**



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## **USTA Safe Play**

#### Overview

The United States Tennis Association is committed to making every tennis experience an enjoyable and memorable one. To do so we rely on the thousands of dedicated volunteers, coaches, officials, members, independent contractors, consultants and staff who contribute in their way to each event or program.

To ensure a safe and fun environment for all participants, the USTA has developed "Safe Play." Safe Play embodies the USTA's commitment to respect and safety for every individual participating in a USTA event or program through the use of screening, education and reporting tools.

The USTA expects individuals to adhere to Safe Play policies and standards, as well as all other USTA policies, procedures, and practices and applicable external laws and regulations.

- Safe Play consists of the following five requirements and standards:

  1. Conduct, Policies & Guidelines
  - 2. USTA Background Screening
  - 3. Education & Training
  - 4. Reporting Misconduct, Maltreatment or Violations of Safe Play
  - 5. Grassroots Engagement & Communication

#### **Process**

The three steps outlined below must be fulfilled to be eligible to serve as a Junior Team Tennis coach/manager, co-manager or local/area coordinator.

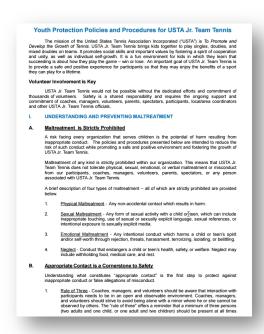
- 11. Read the Youth Protection Policies and Procedures for USTA Junior Team Tennis
- 12. Complete the online training module
  - **Note:** You will be required to create a TEAM USA account and the training will should take you about 30 minutes to complete.
- 13. Complete Background Screen Application
  - Note: In the application, you will be required to certify and affirm that you have successfully completed (1) and (2) above. The USTA has retained the services of an independent third party, the National Center for Safety Initiatives (NCSI), to conduct background screenings of all applicants.
  - **Note:** If you or your USTA Junior Team Tennis team resides in the State of Pennsylvania, you are required to meet additional, state-mandated screening requirements. Please visit www.usta.com/safeplay/pennsylvania for more information.
  - **Note:** Once you submit your application, you will receive your NCSI Applicant ID. You will need this number to check the status of your background screen as well as when logging onto TennisLink for the first time.

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## **Step 1: Read the Youth Protection Policies and Procedures**

Link: Youth Protection Policies and Procedures for USTA Jr. Team Tennis



## **Step 2: Complete the Online Training Module**

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Link: USTA Jr. Team Tennis and Officials SafeSport



## Step 3: Complete the NCSI Background Screen Application

- Navigate to usta.com/safeplay
- 2. Click Safe Play Process For Jr. Team Tennis





3. Click Please begin your background screen through NCSI under Step 3

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Once you submit your application, you will receive your NCSI Applicant ID number on the screen. You will need this number to check the status of your background screen (see (a) below) as well as when you login to TennisLink for the first time.

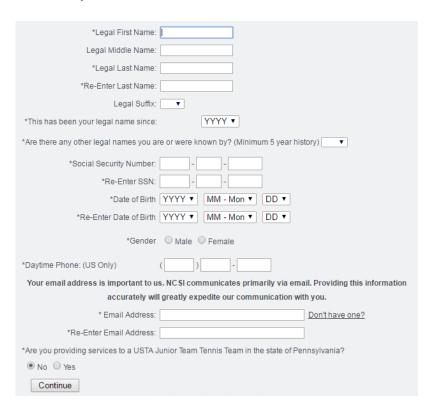
4. Answer questions on NCSI form

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**Note:** Answer YES to "Are you a USTA member in good standing?", this will display additional fields so you may enter your USTA Account #, Last Name, and Date of Birth

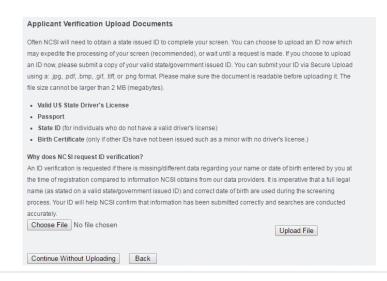


#### 5. Complete Identity Information Form

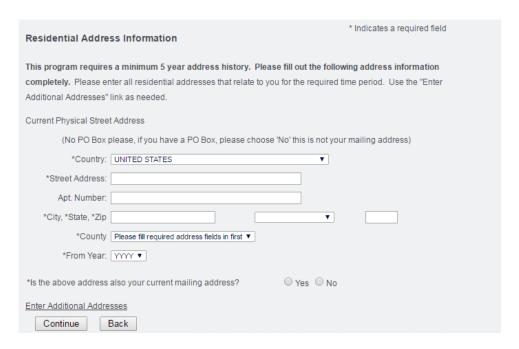


6. Upload state issued verification such as **Valid US State Driver's License**, **Passport**, **State ID**, or **Birth Certificate** 

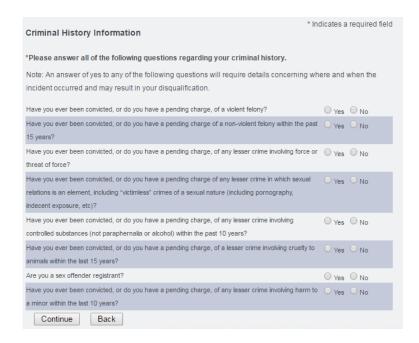
**Note:** This step is initially optional, however NCSI may request ID verification if there is missing/different data regarding your name or date of birth entered at the time of registration compared to the information NCSI obtains from their data providers.



- 7. Upload File then click Continue or Continue without Uploading
- 8. Complete Residential Address Information page



- 9. Click Continue
- 10. Complete Criminal History Information



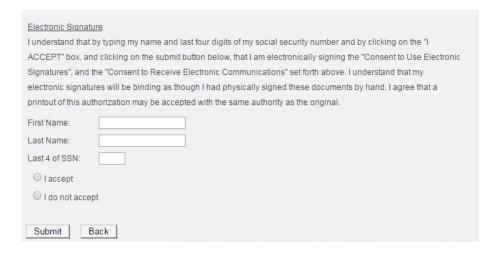
- 11. Click Continue
- 12. Review **Identity Information, Address Information,** and **Criminal History Information** for accuracy **Note:** Incomplete and/or incorrect information may result in the need for you resubmit your background screening and cause delays in processing
- 13. Check box at bottom of page
  - Note: Checking this box indicates you agree that all information on the application is true and complete



- 14. Click Continue
- 15. Complete Electronic Signature

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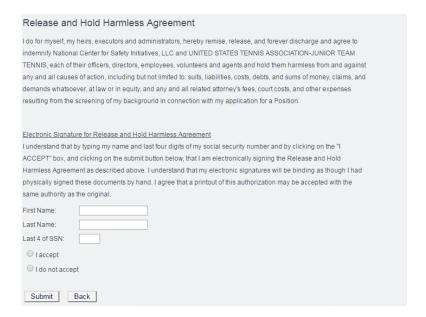
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#### 16. Click Submit

#### 17. Complete Release and Hold Harmless Agreement

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#### 18. Click Submit

**Note:** Do not click or refresh, you need to allow the site to fully process the request



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#### 19. Copy Applicant ID Number from Background Screening Confirmation page

# Please print this page and keep it for your records. Applicant ID Number: IMPORTANT - STATUS INFORMATION!! The background screening process generally takes 10 business days to complete. During that time, it is common for NCSI to have questions or need information from you in the course of the background screening process. You will be contacted via e-mail at the address you provided. Additionally, please log in to our secure online 'Applicant Status Check' tool by going to www.ncsisafe.com and clicking on 'Applicant Login' in the left hand menus regularly to check the status of your background screening. You should check this until your status indicates COMPLETED, which means NCSI has issued a determination to your organization. Failure to respond to our requests for additional information may result in a RED LIGHT determination. NCSI Home

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