



Dallas Tennis Association presents:

2020 USTA 65 & over ADULT League

() Notes: This is a Non-Advancing League. The 2020 Dallas 65 & over ADULT League will be an NTRP impacting league.*

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Covid-19!! DTA now requires every player to have a signed Waiver of Claims on file. Please forward link to your rosters, <https://waiver.smartwaiver.com/v/dtatennis/>

Covid-19!! DTA Match Protocol and Safety Guidelines. Please forward link to your players. Captains are responsible for communicating Covid-19 policies that their facility's may require directly with opposing captain and teams prior to scheduled match. Click [here](#).

GENERAL LEAGUE INFORMATION

Player Registration:

TEAMS MAY ADD PLAYERS UP UNTIL TWO (2) WEEKS PRIOR TO FINAL REGULAR SEASON MATCH.

A player MUST play 2 times during the local league to qualify to advance to championship play (i.e. Qualifying Tournament, City Championship, Sectionals). 1 Default may be counted towards their 2-local league matches during the regular season.

2020 USTA Dallas Rules and Regulations:

2. PLAYER REQUIREMENTS:

2B. NEW 2020! For league play, player must be 18 years of age prior to participating in 18 & Over ADULT, 40 years of age for 40 & Over ADULT, 55 years of age for 55 & Over ADULT, 65 years of age for 65 & Over ADULT within the calendar year.

W. League:

W7.0 – Thursday, 11/5/2020

M. League:

M7.0 – Thursday, 10/29/2020 (*)

M8.0 – Thursday, 10/29/2020

Notes:

(*) For teams that have “BYE” weeks during the regular season, captains will need to adjust last date to add player(s) so that players are added 2 weeks prior to final regular season match.

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.

Player Eligibility:

2020 USTA TEXAS Rules and Regulations:

A team may have only one (1) player from outside the 50-mile radius of the center of a large city, Fort Worth, Dallas, San Antonio, Austin and Houston... If a player does not have the specific league in one of our designated areas (i.e. Abilene, Amarillo, Austin), he/she can play in another city without it counting as part of the out of city maximum.

2020 USTA Dallas 65 & over ADULT League fee: \$38.00 *(includes non-refundable \$3.00 Active.com processing fee)*

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

Format:

3 – Doubles

Match Times:

2020 USTA Dallas Captain's Responsibilities:

ADULT Fall/Winter Leagues: Any time between 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. is an acceptable start time for the Weekday, unless both captains agree to an alternate time.

Schedules/Match Times/TENNIS LINK:

Schedules have been forwarded to facilities. Facility managers were given the opportunity to advise the DTA of any Black Out Dates/Facility Conflicts prior to scheduling. Schedules are set, NO schedule changes will be made at this point.

Facility Managers provide individual match times directly to captains. TENNIS LINK is not updated with individual match times. The DTA uses the 12:00am, MIDNIGHT default time and that remains in TENNIS LINK.

It is the captain of the HOME Team's responsibility to contact the VISITING Team with match time, directions, etc... at least 5 days prior to the match date. The DTA suggests that captains communicate through email and always request confirmation from their opponent. Reminders a few days prior to match are thoughtful and encouraged to avoid potential miscommunication.

Match Play:

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7H. Match play must begin no later than 15 minutes after the designated start time per the 15-minute default rule. No line shall begin play before the 15-minute default time has passed unless all players from the higher singles/doubles positions are present. Defaults must be from the bottom up. (i.e.: Line 2 singles or Line 3 doubles if players are not available at the start of the match.) Doubles teams are to be moved up as a pair.

The penalties for late arrival (0-5 minutes/1 game & loss of toss, 5-10 minutes/2 games & loss of toss, 10-15 minutes/3 games and loss of toss, 15:01 minutes/default). These penalties apply to physically being on court not just on site.

7I. The team captain for each team shall exchange their team line-up simultaneously prior to the beginning of the team match. No substitution may be made in an individual match after the line-up has been presented, except for injury to, illness of a player during warm-up and an eligible replacement can be made within the default time. The substituted player may only take the position of the player whom they are replacing. If the substitution is made during the warm-up, the substitute player is entitled to a five-minute warm-up.

Scoring:

Matches are to 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.

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9B. Scoring for all DTA/USTA matches will be as follows:

One point for each TEAM MATCH (consists of all individual matches) won.

9C. In the event of a tie, the following NATIONAL/ SECTIONAL guidelines prevail:

9C(1) Individual Matches. Winner of the most individual matches the entire competition.

9C(2) Head-to- head. Winner of head-to-head match.

9C(3) Sets. Loser of the fewest number of sets

9C(4) Games. Loser of the fewest number of games.

9C(5) A method to be determined by the League Coordinator

Score Cards:

Blank scorecards are available through Tennis Link. Visit <http://tennislink.usta.com/leagues>. Click on "Record A Score" located under My Quick Links on the right. Enter your match number. Scroll to the bottom and click on "Print Blank Scorecard".

GREAT NOTE! Scorecards printed off Tennis Link for matches will include both teams' most up-to-date rosters. Captains can verify players prior to match time.

Score Entry:

Both captains are responsible for Score Entry on Tennis Link League at <http://tennislink.usta.com/leagues> within 12 hours of a completed match. For disputed Score Entry or Score Entry problems please email leagues@dta.org.

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Match play and points are to be awarded to the player(s) who physically completed the match. NO EXCEPTIONS. Players may not be substituted during Score Entry on USTA TENNIS LINK nor may match results be altered. This will result in an AUTOMATIC Forfeit/Team Default, noted in rule #10. Both captains and players involved will be removed from USTA Dallas ADULT League play indefinitely.

Change/Edit to Scorecard:

When requesting a change, or edit to a scorecard, please email Local League Coordinator at leagues@dta.org and copy the opposing captain with the following information:

(1) Match #

(2) Detailed Description of requested change/edit.

(3) Both captains must agree to the requested change/edit prior to TENNIS LINK being updated.

Make Up Matches due to Rain/Championship Advancement/Extreme Weather:**8. MAKE UP MATCHES (Due to Rain/Championship Advancement/Extreme Weather):**

8A. Rainout / Championship Advancement/Extreme Weather Make-ups:

All make-up matches for rain or championship advancement should be played within 14 days of the rainout/originally scheduled match. If a make-up match has not been entered in USTA TENNIS LINK within 14 days of the original match date, it should be considered as scheduled by the DTA League Coordinator on the 14th day at:

- * 1:00pm for Women's Weekday Leagues
- * 5:00pm for Men's and Women's Saturday Leagues
- * 9:00am for Men's Sunday League
- * 4:00pm for Women's Sunday League
- * 3:00pm for 18 & over MIXED
- * 6:00pm for 40 & over MIXED and 55 & over AGE GROUP

No match is to be rescheduled without the consent of the coordinator unless it is a rainout/championship play. Do not cancel for rain until the day of the match. Only lines that have started (first service attempt) stand for a rain make-up. A team is not held to any defaulted line(s) given.

Should teams be faced with inclement weather on the date of the scheduled make up match, teams have 7 days from that date to reschedule unless late in the season at which time the DTA will set a completion deadline (#8G).

8B. Players that do not complete their match within the original 2-hour time limit and are bumped from their court must remain available to resume the match for a period of 1 hour if the home team can decide to resume the match within 1 hour. If a court cannot be secured within an hour, the players/captains will have 48 hours to schedule the completion of the match (within 14 days) and provide the details to the league coordinator.

8C. Rain Delay:

If both captains have not agreed to declare a rainout, both teams (all players to play that day's match) must be available at the site for one hour beyond the scheduled match time.

8D. Extreme Weather Conditions. The HOME Captain determines the conditions at the match site and is responsible for notifying the VISITING Captain NO MORE THAN two (2) hours prior to match start time on the SCHEDULED DAY OF THE MATCH. Both captains should verify through www.weather.com. The following weather conditions may subject a match to be rescheduled:

(1) If the actual temperature is 35 degrees or below at the time match is scheduled to begin play.

(2) The actual temperature is 105 degrees or higher at the time match is scheduled to begin play.

If either of the above extreme weather conditions exist, either captain may reschedule the match. Once the match has started, it must be completed.

8E. Split-Time Match Play:

If individual match times must be scheduled separately due to court conflict, it is the home team's responsibility to notify and coordinate with the visiting captain.

Thank you for your continued support of Dallas League tennis! **HAVE A TERRIFIC 2020 65 & over ADULT League Season!**