

2020 Orange County LOCAL LEAGUE REGULATIONS

Captains must be familiar with the 2020 National and Sectional League Regulations and must know all the **major changes** for the year. It can be located at:

ustasocal.com (under the Adult tab/league tennis - under Forms & Regulations: [Click here](#))

The Orange County Area will follow the Section Regulations. The following additional Local League Regulations will also be implemented:

1. **Players must be 18 years of age prior to registering on a team.**
2. Players have a 2-team limit per league per Area. Weekday leagues are considered a separate Area if there are a minimum of (4) teams.
3. Although there is no maximum roster limit, please keep in mind that every player should be given the opportunity to play at least (2) times during the season.
4. One captain on each team may have their \$27 league fee waived if they register on the captain's-only team, costing them only \$3 (non-refundable TL processing fee)
5. The best of 2 out of 3 sets will be used. The Coman-style rotation will be used in set tiebreaks. The Timed Match Procedure (outlined in the Section Regulations) will be used if the allotted match time has passed and you need to vacate the court.
6. Tennis Balls are provided by the HOME team. Refreshments are optional.
7. Split-Times: Must be communicated to all captains in your flight. Lineups must be filled out completely and exchanged by the first match time.
8. Lineup exchanges must be done no later than match time. Any player on the line-up that is not present must be placed on one of the bottom lines (either #2S or #3D line). **Default time will be 15 minutes from match time.**
9. The maximum warmup time is 10 minutes.
10. **If a match score is not entered in TennisLink within 48 hours of the completion of the match, it may be recorded as a Double Team Default.** Either captain can enter the score.
11. Rescheduling Matches: **When requesting to reschedule a match, it will be up to the opposing team to accept or not.** If accepted and if it falls under the Penalty Policy (outlined in the Section Regulations), one line will be defaulted for a 3-line format and two lines will be defaulted for a 5-line format.
12. **If a match is "Postponed" due to "Unplayable Conditions", both teams need to do their best to reschedule it. If it is not played by the end of the local season, it will be left "Unplayed".** The Section Regulations include general guidelines for "unplayable conditions", but captains must make decisions using their own discretion and keeping the health of their players in mind.
13. The "At Level Policy" will be enforced: a) Min. of 40% at level for 2-team leagues; b) Min. of 50% at level for 3 or more team leagues in all "Straight level" leagues.
14. **In Adult 18 & Over - 5.0+ level, you can register up to (2) plus players on the roster, but play only (1) and shall be required to play in a #1 position, either singles or doubles. A 4.5 rated player is not eligible to play in the #1 singles position.**
15. In the USTA Adult Divisions (18&Over, 40&Over and 55&Over), Dynamic Rating calculations are generated. Self Rated or Appealed level players who meet the criteria for NTRP Dynamic Disqualification will have their matches reversed in all "live" leagues including Mixed Doubles. Matches played at the promoted level will stand.
16. Once a default is entered in TennisLink, the assigned player(s) cannot be changed.
17. If teams that are in contention of advancing receive a Full Team Default, all matches played by the defaulting team in that round robin segment will be taken out of the standings.
18. Local League Playoffs: The team with the highest Game Win Percentage will be offered to host the Playoffs. **It is up to the discretion of the ALC to determine how many teams will participate in the Playoffs, depending on the number of flights.**