

# Air Quality Guidelines

## USTA SoCal Air Quality (AQI 2.5) Guidelines

USTA SoCal's top priority is participant safety at all events. To that end, USTA SoCal has adopted Air Quality (AQI 2.5) Guidelines using guidance from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

USTA SoCal and all organizers of USTA SoCal sanctioned tournaments and other USTA SoCal sponsored programming and events shall use [www.airnow.gov](http://www.airnow.gov) as the standard for local AQI monitoring. The following is recommended:

### JUNIOR AND ADULT TOURNAMENTS (Including JTT and League Sectional Events)

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AQI PM 2.5 Value	Description	Recommended Changes to Play
0-50	Good	No Change to Scoring Formats or Rest Periods
51-100	Moderate	
101-150	Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups	Shortened Match and Scoring Formats are Recommended* Increased Rest Periods Between Games, Sets, and Matches are Recommended
151-200	Unhealthy	Suspend All Play - Minimum 15-Minute Suspension of Play Until Conditions Improve and Drop Below 151
201-300	Very Unhealthy	Cancel Event
301+	Hazardous	

\*See Rules and Regulations for information decisions to shorten match formats that may be made by the Tournament Committee and those which require approval by SoCal staff.  
\*Changes to Play will apply to each match site and not necessarily the entire tournament as the AQI can be acceptable at one site but not another.

## JUNIOR TEAM TENNIS AND ADULT LEAGUES

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AQI PM 2.5 Value	Description	Recommended Changes to Play
0-50	Good	No Change to Scoring Formats or Rest Periods
51-100	Moderate	
101-150	Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups	Increased Rest Periods Between Games, Sets, and Matches are recommended
151-200	Unhealthy	If the day before the team match, Unplayable Conditions are forecasted for the time and location of the match, it may be rescheduled with no penalties. Captains and Coaches must follow rules and regulations for Unplayable Conditions.*
201-300	Very Unhealthy	Cancel/Reschedule Event with no penalties within 7 days, inform ALC of rescheduled date and time.
301+	Hazardous	

\*See USTA SoCal League Rules and Regulations for procedures in the case of unplayable conditions for league matches.

\*Junior Team Tennis Coaches, connect with Area Coordinator for next steps.

\*Changes to Play will apply to each match site and not necessarily the entire area or section as the AQI can be acceptable at one location but not another.