## NATIONAL LEVEL 2 AND LEVEL 3



# USTA National Level 2 Tournaments: Entering Concurrent Tournaments and Selection Process

Several times each year, the USTA has sanctioned concurrent USTA National Level 2 Tournaments, and entry is permitted in more than one tournament. It is important to understand the consequences of this decision.

If you want to play in a USTA National Level 2 Tournament but are unsure if you will get in, you may enter up to two different age divisions of up to four sites of USTA National Level 2 Tournaments. When selection is done, players are selected for the oldest age division first, based on the most recently published National Standing List of the division of the tournament.

- If you are selected into the older age division entered, you will not be selected into the younger age division.
- If you are not selected into the older age division, you will only be considered for selection into the younger division, and you will only be eligible to be an alternate in the younger division.

Additionally, the computerized selection system attempts to fill the draws based on the first choice of sites of all players. If spots are still open, it looks at the second choice of sites for the remaining players, then the third and, finally, the fourth. It is VERY IMPORTANT to only prioritize sites you are willing to play.

Those players who have not been selected after all four USTA National Level 2 Tournament draws have been filled shall be placed on the alternate lists at all tournaments for which the players have indicated a preference. The players are ordered on the alternate lists based on the player's standing on the National Selection List used to select players.

# **USTA National Level 3 Tournaments: Multiple Entries and Selection Process**

#### Players may choose ONE of the following options, but NOT both:

- OPTION 1: Enter any ONE division of TWO concurrent USTA National Level 3 Tournaments (this may be a different division in each tournament); OR
- OPTION 2: Enter TWO divisions of ONE USTA National Level 3 Tournament

Players may PLAY in only ONE division of ONE tournament.

### **OPTION 1: ONE Division of TWO Concurrent Tournaments**

- A player seeking to enter two concurrent USTA National Level 3 Tournaments must get permission to enter as set forth in USTA Regulation IV.C.12. This requires a player to request and receive the written permission of both Tournament Committees for the concurrent entry by the time entries close.
- Tournament Committees shall be required to grant permission for concurrent entry when a request is made; however, these requests are required a Tournament Committee may not post a blanket permission for concurrent entry.
- Tournament Committees will publish the selection and alternate lists no later than 2 days after entries close.
- A player accepted into both tournaments shall be required to notify the tournaments no later than 5 days after entries close as to which tournament they will be playing, and the player shall be refunded their entry fee (but not the TennisLink administrative fee). Failure to withdraw by the deadline absolves the tournament from which the player is withdrawing from their obligation to refund the entry fee and will result in the assessment of 4 suspension points for withdrawing for reason other than injury, illness or personal circumstance.
- As a courtesy, a player who is accepted into one tournament and not the other(s) should remove themselves from the alternate list of the other tournament(s) no later than 5 days after entries close. Failure to do so will not result in a penalty.
- If a player has not been accepted into any tournament, they may remain on the alternate lists of all tournaments, but upon acceptance into one, they may not withdraw from that tournament to play in another.
- Under no circumstances may a player after being accepted into one concurrent tournament withdraw and play in another. Doing so shall result in the assessment of 4 suspension points for withdrawing for reason other than injury, illness or personal circumstance.

#### Option 2 Procedure: TWO Divisions of ONE Tournament

- When a USTA National Level 3 Tournament includes more than one age division, a player may enter up to two age divisions of that tournament.
- The Tournament Committee shall select players who have entered two divisions in descending age division order: 18; 16; 14; and 12. If a player is entered in two age divisions of a USTA National Level 3 Tournament and is selected into the older division, that player shall not be eligible for selection into the younger division, even if there are openings in the draw at the time of selection or thereafter. If a player is not selected for the older division, that player is eligible for selection in the younger division and is eligible to be an alternate in the younger division but not in the older division.

#### **Selection Process**

- **Selection:** Players are accepted into a USTA National Level 3 Tournament using the most recently published National Standings List as of the date entries close.
- Alternates: Alternates are ordered using the same National Standings List used to select players into the tournament. Players with no National Standing are ordered after players with standing by random drawing. Late entries are placed on the bottom of the alternate list in the order received. Late entries received at the same time are ordered randomly.