



Extreme Heat Guidelines For USTA Mid-Atlantic League Championships

To insure the health and safety of players participating in USTA Mid-Atlantic League Championships, and to minimize the potential negative impact of heat and severe dehydration, the Section League Committee have issued the following guidelines will be followed beginning with the 2017 Championship events.

- The temperature and relative humidity will be obtained prior to match play commencing daily for the zip code of each site from weatherunderground.com within thirty minutes before the start of the first match each day. Additional temperatures will be obtained every hour between 12:00PM and 5:00PM. From each of these two measurements the Apparent Temperature will be determined using the temperature chart referenced on the USTA web page (attached). Each of these measurements will be taken by the Tournament Director at each Championship.
- If the Apparent Temperature reaches any level that places the measurement within the boundaries shaded in orange on the Apparent Temperature Chart, the Head Referee will be notified. The Tournament Director will modify the scoring to no-ad until the conditions reach below the orange zone on the Apparent Temperature Chart. Regular scoring may be resumed once the Apparent Temperature has dropped below the orange zone. Matches in progress prior to modification of score will complete their match utilizing the same scoring they started the match with.
- If the Apparent Temperature reaches any level that places the measurements within the boundaries shaded in red on the Apparent Temperature Chart, the Tournament Director will be notified and will suspend play until the measurements reflect conditions below the red zone.
- The Tournament Committee in consultation with the Tournament Director may determine that mitigating circumstances warrant continued play. They may play but must immediately notify the Director of Adult Tennis.
- If play is suspended additional modified scoring may be implemented as necessary.