

2018 Adult 40 & Over Playoff Information



Dear Captains and Co-captains,

The 2018 Adult 40 & Over local league season is almost finished and playoffs are approaching fast. If your team is in contention for playoffs, please review the important dates, deadlines and rule changes below.

Remember, good sportsmanship makes the game more enjoyable for everyone. Encourage your players to review [The Code of Tennis](#)

Principle 1:

Courtesy is expected. Tennis is a game that requires cooperation and courtesy.

Important Dates and Deadlines

April 1*	Last day to complete local league matches. No extensions. Refer to ULR 2.02A(1)b/c for not completed matches.
April 2, 9pm*	Deadline to notify away team of date/time of first round playoff match. ULR 2.02A(4)a .
April 5-8*	First round of playoffs
April 9, 9pm	Deadline to notify away team of date/time for second round of playoff match. Refer to ULR 2.02A(4)a .
April 19-22	Second round of playoffs

***Exception** for flights of **exactly 5 teams**:

- Last day to complete local league matches: **April 8**
- Deadline to notify away team of date/time of playoff match: **April 9, 9pm**
- Playoffs: **April 19-22**

Captains may agree to play playoff matches earlier than the designated weekend. Refer to [ULR 2.02A\(4\)](#).

- A team withdrawing from playoffs must notify USTA NorCal no later than 24 hours after the deadline to notify the away team of the date/time of playoffs. We will attempt to replace the withdrawn team. Refer to [ULR 2.02A\(4\)e](#). **Poll your players now for their commitment and availability.**
- Home team may preschedule up to 2 rain make-up dates & times within the

- designated weekend. Refer to [ULR 2.02A\(4\)b](#).
- Inclement weather is a valid reason to move to indoor courts. The visiting team is not required to pay fees for indoor court usage. Refer to [ULR 2.00B\(7\)](#).
 - If a playoff match is not completed by the deadline, a **weighted draw** will determine the winner. Refer to [ULR 2.02A\(4\)f/g](#).

Player Eligibility

Please refer to [ULR 1.04G](#) for player eligibility for postseason play. Key points:

- Players may only play for **one team** per level during post season play.
- Players must have played a **minimum of 2 matches** for the same team; one default win will count for eligibility. Don't wait until the last match to qualify your players.

NTRP Grievances & Dynamic Disqualifications

An NTRP grievance may be filed at any time prior to 48 hours after the completion of Sectional Championships. NTRP grievances will not be decided within 21 days of the start of the player's and/or captain's District or Sectional Championships, and will be administered after the event unless the section authorizes the administration of the grievance prior to that time. If the grievance is not administered until after the event, points won by the player will stand. Refer to [ULR 3.03E\(3\)](#).

Please refer to the "[Protocol for Filing a Self-Rate Grievance](#)" for more information on claim standards that have to be met for a self-rate grievance to be accepted.

Dynamic calculations will be run following the conclusion of Championships and disqualify those who meet the criteria for NTRP Dynamic Disqualification. Refer to [ULR 2.04B\(2\)b](#).

Championship Participation

The winner of playoffs will advance to [Championships](#). See attached for Districts and Sectionals Schedule. Updates to these schedules will be posted on our Championship page.

Men's 2.5+ & 3.0 will advance directly to Sectionals.

Please refer to [this page](#) for wildcard information.

The championship fee is **\$150 for 5-line leagues** and **\$90 for 3-line leagues**.

Good luck for the remainder of the season!