

NTRP Grievances - Conditions to File

1. NTRP Grievance

Refer to National Regulation <u>3.02E/3.03E</u>. Also see <u>USTA League Suspension</u> Point System.

- Any grievance contending that a self-rated player is playing at a lower NTRP level than his/her actual skill level. A player with a valid NTRP Computer (C) rating or granted an Automatic Appeal (A) rating of a Computer (C) rating is NOT subject to an NTRP Grievance.
- May be filed by a team captain, league coordinator or member of a Championship Committee against a player <u>at any time up to 48 hours</u> <u>after the conclusion of the Sectional Championship</u> of the player's team, whether or not the player participated. NTRP Grievances will NOT be accepted at the National Championships.

2. Filing Conditions

• Conditions that must be present:

- A player must have an S, M, or T rating or have been granted a Medical Appeal. Please see 3.03E(1)b.
- The complaint must state that the player has self-rated or possesses a rating which is too low and may also include information that a team captain or other person conspired to obtain that incorrect rating.
- Factual information including the player's history that can be validated.

Conditions that lend credibility:

- The player has a history in league tennis and/or sanctioned tournaments that would substantiate a claim that the player has misrepresented their current skill level.
- The player has omitted information when self-rating **and** this can be substantiated with credible written or online documentation.
- The player may have produced one or more strikes in their current player record (an administrator should review match results within TennisLink for determination).
- The player participated on a college team at a significant NCAA level (note: age of player, injuries, position on team, and strength of

- tennis team at particular school could affect a significant change in rating over time).
- The player participated at the professional level (including tennis or other sports).
- The player has earned international, national, sectional or state/district rankings that would reflect a strong probability that the player should have a higher rating.
- The player has ratings equivalent to national or sectional in some other country.
- Conditions or claims that would not, on their own, be accepted as
 evidence in an NTRP Grievance. However, several of these presented
 with additional tennis specific information that clearly suggests a
 pattern of abuse, may be grounds for filing an NTRP Grievance.
 - I haven't lost a match all year and just got beaten badly!
 - My player is at the top of their level and the opponent beat them handily!
 - That player is a teaching pro!
 - This player won all of their matches by significant margins in straight sets!
 - My player is very strong and was beaten 6-0, 6-0!
 - This Captain is dishonest and has a history of putting ringers on their team!

For additional information please see the **USTA PNW Leagues** page.