

*USTA Texas Sanctioned Tournament Update, May 21, 12:00pm*

Due to the ongoing situation regarding COVID-19, USTA Texas sanctioned tournaments scheduled for June 2020 have been canceled. Please check your tournament homepage for more information.

*Update on The Texas Slam, May 1, 12:00pm*

Due to the continued uncertainty surrounding COVID-19 as well as ongoing concerns regarding large gatherings, the 2020 Texas Slam and Championship Masters as previously scheduled are postponed until further notice.

USTA Texas is exploring all options for possibly hosting this event later in the year. If a future date for the 2020 Texas Slam and Championship Masters can be secured, it will be communicated at least 60 days prior to the rescheduled start date to allow for registration and travel arrangements.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation during this time.

*Update on Suspension of Play and Rankings - Texas Junior Tournaments , April 15, 1:15pm*

The USTA Texas junior rankings and standings will be frozen based on the last rankings list published on March 11, 2020.

At this time, any endorsement lists or summer team selections during this time period will be based on the frozen ranking lists. Because of the unprecedented and fluid nature of the COVID-19 pandemic, it is not known when and how play will resume, but we will continue to monitor the situation and communicate any updates as they are available on this page.

*League Update, April 14, 3:30pm*

Following the lead of USTA, the Texas Sectional Championships for Adult Leagues for 2020 have also been canceled. Once the pandemic subsides, our focus and support will be on local facilities and local league play.

*Nationals Update, April 13, 3:00pm*

To ensure that play taking place at local facilities will be the focus once the pandemic subsides, the following events will be canceled for 2020:

- USTA League National Championships
- USTA Junior Team Tennis National Championships

- USTA Junior Intersectional Team Championships

*League Update, April 2, 2:00pm*

During this uncertain and ever changing time, USTA and USTA Texas are exploring all options for the League tennis season, including modified formats and adjusting eligibility requirements. Once the suspension is lifted, any approved changes will be communicated.

*Refund and Withdrawal update, March 18, 1:45pm*

USTA Texas has begun the process of issuing refunds (for applicable events) and withdrawing players for the tournaments impacted by the current USTA play suspension (through April 20, 2020). We appreciate your patience as we are working as quickly as possible through this process.

Please refer to the tournament homepage for more information.

*A Message from USTA Texas Executive Director Van Barry, March 13, 3:30pm*

Dear Texas Tennis Family,

Thank you for your patience during what truly is an unprecedented time for us all.

In the past few days, we have been in constant communication with the USTA national office with respect to any suspensions of play because of the fluid nature of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19). As more information has become available, the guidance has evolved from day to day.

Decisions by the USTA and USTA Texas were, first and foremost, made with every consideration for the health and safety of our players, staff, volunteers and all the behind-the-scenes workers that make the sport and USTA products possible. We do not make these decisions lightly, and we certainly appreciate your understanding of the challenges we collectively have faced.

We have been – and will remain – transparent about next steps moving forward for our programs and events. As a staff, we are continually monitoring the situation and will be in contact with our Community Tennis Associations (CTAs) and members of our Texas Tennis Family when we have additional information.

Regards,

Van Barry

USTA Texas Executive Director

*Update as of March 12, 2020; 2:05 pm; Revised 4:00 pm*

Due to rising concerns and uncertainty surrounding COVID-19, USTA Texas has decided to suspend Texas sanctioned tournament play through the end of March 2020.

We will update this information weekly to keep you informed regarding upcoming events in April 2020 and beyond.

All entry fees will be refunded for the suspended events through March 2020. Please be patient as we work to issue refunds over the coming weeks.

Thank you for your understanding as we work through this unprecedented situation.

For decisions and updates regarding local play (Leagues and JTT), please contact your CTA.

For decisions and updates regarding national tournaments, please visit the tournament homepage.

*Update as of March 11, 2020; 3:45 pm*

USTA Texas continues to monitor the ever-evolving situation associated with the COVID-19 outbreak.

Based on the latest information, we are currently continuing play as scheduled throughout the section. However, we encourage you to consider all of the facts available to you when deciding whether to participate in an event and do what is right for you and your family, including taking all appropriate precautions advised by the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and other local authorities.

**For Players (Adults and Juniors) Competing in USTA Sanctioned Tournaments:**

If a registered player decides to withdraw from a sanctioned tournament, please contact your local Tournament Director (contact information can be found at the tournament homepage on TennisLink).

As a reminder, for both adult and junior sanctioned tournament play, you are able to withdraw before registration closes without penalty and receive a refund of the tournament fee (minus the processing charges).

**For USTA (Adult) League Team Captains and Players:**

Please contact your CTA's Local League Coordinator.

**USTA Junior Team Tennis Team Captains and Players:**

Please contact your CTA's Area League Coordinator for JTT.

**General Information:**

If any individual has any of the symptoms (including but not limited to runny nose, headache, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath, fever, lower respiratory symptoms), please stay home, do not play tennis, and seek medical guidance. For those who feel healthy and desire to play, please suspend pre and post match handshakes.

We encourage everyone to use the following practices, similar to protecting yourselves and others from a cold and flu:

- Sneeze or cough into a tissue or upper sleeve;
- Wash your hands with soap and water frequently (for 20 seconds or longer), or use hand sanitizer if soap and water is not readily available, especially after sneezing or coughing;
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth with unwashed hands, and wash your hands promptly if you have touched your eyes, nose or mouth;
- Limit close contact (e.g., hand-shaking, hugging, kissing) and avoid sharing food, drinks or towels with people, especially with people and animals who are sick;
- Clean and disinfect objects and surfaces.

The most up to date and credible resource for information on the 2019 Novel Coronavirus is the [CDC](#).

Please be assured that USTA Texas will continue to monitor the situation and provide updates as needed.