



GETTING STARTED in MALT

Welcome to Madison Area League Tennis, or MALT! We offer tennis leagues year-round, playing outdoors at local parks and schools in Madison and surrounding areas May-October, and playing indoors at TPC Wisconsin, Nielsen Tennis Center, and John Powless Tennis Center October-May.

AGE ELIGIBILITY: We offer leagues for adults of all ages - 18 & Over, 40 & Over, 55 & Over, and 65 & Over. For all age groups, you must turn the minimum age during the calendar year in order to be eligible to play in that league. For example, if you turn 40 years old in December, you ARE eligible to play in the 40 & Over league even though it begins in January.

LEAGUES OFFERED: Please refer to the [Madison Tennis](#) document for a summary of the various leagues and when they occur.

Players may join teams at their level and one higher. For instance, in the 18 & Over league, a 3.0 rated player may play on both a 3.0 team and a 3.5 team. A 3.5 player may be on a 3.5 and a 4.0 team if they want to play on two teams. Each level plays at different times and generally on different days to avoid any conflicts.

HOW TO GET ON A TEAM: Players are invited to join teams by Captains. MALT maintains a list of players looking for teams that Captains access when they need players for their teams. There are some steps to take before you can add your name to the list.

Step 1: NTRP Rating

If you already have an NTRP Rating, complete the [Players Looking for a Team](#) form. Captains will access this information and contact players directly. Be on the lookout for emails from captains and respond promptly.

If you DO NOT have an NTRP Rating, you must go through the [SELF-RATING process](#).

**If you are unsure of the rating process and need some guidance, please contact Kim Perna, District League Coordinator – kpernaustawi@gmail.com and she can walk you through the process.

Step 2: Complete the [Players Looking for a Team](#) form.

Step 3: Once you have been invited to join a team, you will need to sign up for a [USTA Membership](#).

**USTA memberships are available for different lengths of time with associated costs. Cost to join teams are in addition to the USTA membership fee and may vary with the league but generally run \$50-\$60 (estimate for outdoor season) and \$70-\$100 (estimate for indoor season) for approximately 10 weeks of match play.

**Players may join USTA without having a rating; however, players must have a rating in order to join a team.

**Players may wait until they are invited to join a team before they join USTA.

**USTA membership for a 2026 USTA/Wisconsin Madison League must be valid through the end of the local league season.

LEAGUE CONTACT for the following leagues is Jenny Liao – jpliao.tennis@gmail.com

Adult 40 & Over, Adult 55 & Over and Adult 65 & Over

Tri Level 18 & Over Women's Singles and/or Doubles (Low Tri 3.0, 3.5, 4.0)

Tri Level 18 & Over Women's Doubles (Mid Tri 3.5, 4.0, 4.5)

Tri Level 18 & Over Men's Single/Doubles (Hi Tri and Low Tri; Hi Tri and Mid Tri)

Tri Level 18 & Over Mixed Doubles (Low Tri and Mid Tri)

LEAGUE CONTACT for the following leagues is Kendra Heidel – kmh22.tennis@gmail.com

Mixed 18 & Over

Mixed 40 & Over

Combo 18 & Over

Combo Mixed 18 & Over

LEAGUE CONTACT for the following league is Sydney Verbauwhede - verbauwhedes@gmail.com

Adult 18 & Over