



MISSOURI VALLEY  
HEART OF AMERICA

# USTA HEART OF AMERICA JUNIOR TEAM TENNIS 2019

<b>WINTER SEASON</b>	<b>JANUARY 19/20 TO MARCH 9/10</b>
Team Registration	Friday, December 21
Background Check Completed	Friday, December 21
Register & Complete "Safe Play"	Friday, December 21
Player Registration	Friday, January 4
Coaches Meeting	Friday, January 11

<b>SUMMER SEASON</b>	<b>JUNE 5 TO JULY 10</b>
Team Registration	Monday, May 13
Background Check Completed	Monday, May 20
Register & Complete "Safe Play"	Monday, May 20
Player Registration	Monday, May 27
Coaches Meeting	Friday, May 31
Sectional Championships	July TBA

<b>FALL SEASON</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER 14/15 TO OCTOBER 26/27</b>
Team Registration	Monday, August 26
Background Check Completed	Monday, September 2
Register & Complete "Safe Play"	Monday, September 2
Player Registration	Monday, September 2
Coaches Meeting	Monday, September 9

## DIVISIONS OF PLAY

**FOR EACH AGE GROUP – 10s, 12s, 14s & HIGH SCHOOL  
THERE WILL BE 2 DIVISIONS OF PLAY.**

<b>10s – Coed Play</b> Minimum of 6 Players to register a team of any combination of boys & girls	<b>Green Ball</b>	Players that have participated in the Youth Pathway progression tournaments, have played JTT previously. At least 50% of the team must meet this criterion.
	<b>Orange Ball</b>	Players NEW to match play. This is a player first season playing JTT. Players are looking to gain confidence and just starting in organized play.
<b>12s – Coed Play</b> Green Ball – Minimum of 6 players to register a team of any combination of boys & girls Open Division - Minimum of 6 players to register a team of any combination of boys & girls	<b>Green Ball</b>	Will use <b>GREEN</b> Ball for all JTT Match Play. This player has limited match play experience, may have played some JTT or JTL. No tournament experiences. Cross play will be allowed in this division.
	<b>Open Division</b>	Will use <b>YELLOW</b> Ball for all JTT match play. This player has played and has been successful at JTT match play in the past. This player has participated in USTA HOA Challengers and/or Open tournaments. At least 50% of the team must meet this criterion
<b>14s – Coed</b> Challenger Division – Minimum of 6 players to register a team of any combination of boys & girls Open Division - Minimum of 6 players to register a team of any combination of boys & girls	<b>Challengers Division</b>	Will use <b>YELLOW</b> ball for all JTT match play. This player has limited match play experience, may have played some JTT or JTL. No tournament experiences. Cross play will be allowed in this division.
	<b>Open Division</b>	Will use <b>YELLOW</b> Ball for all JTT match play. This player has played and has been successful at JTT match play in the past. This player has participated in USTA HOA Challengers and/or Open tournaments. At least 50% of the team must meet these criteria
<b>High School</b>  <b>Winter = Boys &amp; Girls Season</b> <b>Fall = Boys Season</b> Minimum of 6 players to Register a Team  <b>Summer = Coed</b> Minimum of 3 Boys & 3 Girls to Register a Team	<b>Varsity</b>	Will use <b>YELLOW</b> Ball for all JTT match play. This player has represented their high school at the Varsity level, participated in JTT with success previously and has tournament experience. At least 50% of the team must meet this criterion.

## SCORING FORMAT

<b>10s Division</b>	Will play best of 2 out of 3 shortened sets to 4. No Ad scoring for sets 1 & 2. In case of split sets players will play a set tiebreaker to 7 by 2 for the 3 <sup>rd</sup> set.
<b>12s, 14s &amp; High School</b>	Will play best of 2 out of 3 shortened sets to 4. No Ad scoring and a set tiebreaker will be played at 3 games all. For the 3 <sup>rd</sup> set players will play a match tiebreaker to 10 points by 2.

## AGE REGULATIONS

<b>10s Division</b>	In 2019, 10&Under players cannot play up in age groups per Youth Progression Pathway rule.	
	Winter Season	Player cannot age out before April
	Summer Season	Player cannot age out before August
	Fall Season	Player cannot age out before December
<b>12s, 14s &amp; High School</b>	Winter Season	Player cannot age out before April
	Summer Season	Player cannot age out before August
	Fall Season	Player cannot age out before December

## GENERAL REGULATIONS

There will not be any Mixed Doubles play in the Winter and Fall seasons.

It is the responsibility of the Home Team to enter the scores by the Monday after playing the match.

ALL teams – Home and Away – WILL have a Coach/Parent Representative. This person shall be knowledgeable of ALL JTT rules, scoring format, match format and have a line up sheet complete to hand to opposing team's representative.

For ALL matches in the 12s, 14s & High School divisions, NEW balls will be used.

