



Jackson
2012 Adult, Senior, Mixed Doubles, and Combo Local League Regulations
Subject to change based on National/Sectional or State Regulations
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USTA League Tennis National, Southern, and Mississippi Regulations have full force and applicability at all levels of play in USTA League Tennis in Mississippi and there is no authorization to modify, amplify or change them by local or State League Coordinators, or Grievance or Grievance Appeals Committees. Any violation of these regulations shall be subject to such sanctions as may be imposed by League Grievance or Grievance Appeal Committee procedures outlined in the USTA League Regulations. USTA Southern is the final authority on such actions unless otherwise specified in Bylaws of the USTA or USTA Southern. The State League Coordinator, in conjunction with USTA Mississippi Adult League Committee Chairman, shall have the authority to interpret the USTA League Tennis Mississippi Regulations. USTA League Tennis Regulations (National, Southern and Mississippi) are available on the Mississippi Tennis Association website: www.mstennis.com.

All USTA, Southern, and Mississippi Regulations with the modifications listed below, shall apply to the League Name League Programs. (Note: information included herein should be applied in conjunction with all applicable USTA, Southern, and Mississippi League Regulations)

OUT OF STATE/AREA PARTICIPATION

The maximum number of out-of-state players on a team roster shall comply with the table below:

# of players on roster	# from out of state
14-16 on the roster	4 may be from out of state
10-13 on the roster	3 may be from out of state
6-9 on the roster	2 may be from out of state

TEAM MATCH FORMAT

All individual matches shall be the best of three sets, regular scoring, with a set tiebreak (first to 7 by 2) at six all in each set. In lieu of a third set, a match tiebreak (first to ten by 2) shall be played. The COMAN tiebreak procedure will be used.

MATCH PLAY, LINEUP EXCHANGE, and FORFEITS

Players participating in a league match must be registered in Tennis Link prior to participation.

Team captains should exchange scorecards with a completed line-up by match time.. There is a fifteen minute default rule in effect for all scheduled matches.

An individual default occurs when a player(s) fail to appear properly clothed, equipped and ready to play within 15 minutes of the scheduled match time

Visitors will furnish balls

Teams may not forfeit an entire match. For a five court match, a maximum of two courts may be defaulted; for a 3 court match, only one court may be defaulted. Please see state regulations for further information concerning penalty for match forfeits.

In the spirit of good sportsmanship and fair play, a team should be advised by its opponent of a known default. The defaulting captain will be able to designate at what position (2nd Singles or 3rd doubles) a known default will occur.

In the event of illness, injury, disqualification, or no-show of a player prior to the start of an individual match (once the lineup has been exchanged) a team may substitute a player in the affected position within the 15 minute default time, using a player not already listed in the lineup. If no such substitution can be made, the affected position will be forfeited. If a team cannot field an entire match, they must forfeit beginning at the bottom of the score card (either singles or doubles) and work upward.

Incomplete matches that in any way affect the outcome of the standings for teams in contention for 1st-3rd places must be completed by the date specified by the LLC or the security deposit may be taken and further sanctions may be imposed.

SCORE REPORTING

Match scores should be recorded in Tennis Link within 48 hours of completed match. The winning team is responsible for reporting match scores and the opposing team shall confirm. Tennis Link will automatically confirm scores after 48 hours.

RESCHEDULING MATCHES

A team may reschedule only under the following circumstances: rain or severe temperatures (40 or below), wind chill is a factor for severe temperatures. In the event that inclement weather forces the cancellation and rescheduling of a team match, substitutions may be made in any individual matches that had not begun. Points awarded for forfeits during the original lineup exchange will stand. All players involved in such forfeits cannot participate in the rescheduled match. Verbal forfeits offered prior to the original written lineup exchange are nullified when the match is rescheduled due to inclement weather. A match may not be cancelled until 3 hours prior to the scheduled match due to inclement weather. Matches should be made up within two weeks of the scheduled match. Once teams agree on a rescheduled date and time the match must be played unless inclement weather occurs. If teams cannot agree on a rescheduled date, the LLC will choose a date.

DETERMINATION OF LEAGUE WINNER

The team with the most team wins will be the league champion and advance to the State Championship. In the event of a tie, USTA procedures shall govern as follows:

1. Team with most individual match wins.
2. Team with fewest sets lost.
3. Team with the fewest number of games lost.
4. Winner of the head to head match.
5. A method to be determined by the Local League Coordinator

TEAM CAPTAIN RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Attend the mandatory meeting or have a team player attend.
2. Insure that all team members meet eligibility requirements.
3. Verify match schedule on Tennis Link one week prior to **each** scheduled match.
4. Call and confirm courts at each facility at least two days before each match.
5. Enter or confirm the match scores within 48 hours of playing the match.
6. Know the rules and educate your team members.
7. **Be a good sport and encourage your team members to do the same! Always remember this is a fun, recreational league!**
8. Have fun!

GENERAL

1. Coaching is not permitted at any time.
2. Cell Phones: If a player's cell phone rings during match play, that player automatically loses the point. A player may not use or talk on the cell phone while on the court
3. Bathroom Breaks may be taken as needed during the match
4. Only new balls that are approved by the USTA for championship play may be used.
5. There will be no refund for players who register on the wrong team. In some cases, the LLC can move players from one team to another. If a player makes an error, call the LLC before re-registering.

GRIEVANCES

Please refer to National Regulations 3.00 for full details on Grievance Procedures

1. All complaints alleging a violation by an individual or team during local league competition shall be filed in writing with the Local Coordinator. The complaint must be filed prior to the commencement of the next team match in that flight involving such individual or team, or within twenty-four hours after the end of local league play, whichever occurs first.
2. A complaint against an individual or team may only be filed by (a) the team captain of the team who has competed in the match where the alleged violation occurred, (b) a league coordinator, or (c) a member of a Championships Committee.
3. NTRP grievances shall be filed in writing with the State League Coordinator. NTRP grievances may be filed at any time up to forty-eight hours after the conclusion of a player's Section Championships. NTRP grievances shall be handled by a Section committee

COMMITTEES

Grievance Committee: James Brown, Ashley Pullen, Lynne Smithhart, Jimmie Coins, Barbara James, Jeff Boyles

Grievance Appeals Committee: Trey Woodruff, Rejohnna Mitchell, Moin Imran, Chuck Dunn, Dara Bariola, Malinda Warren

Local Overview Committee: Debbie Bryant, Michael Boerner, Pshan Baine, Mark Maxwell