



## LEAGUE FACT SHEET Richmond USTA Adult 40 & Over Weekend League

Welcome to the 2022 season! The information below will help captains with planning.

Contacts for League matters:

- Local League Coordinator (LC) - Patty Smith - [info@richmondtennisleagues.com](mailto:info@richmondtennisleagues.com)
- Website: [richmondtennisleagues.com](http://richmondtennisleagues.com)

### LEAGUE FEES / COSTS:

- All fees are paid online in TennisLink when players register for teams.
- League fees are \$41 consisting of \$26.00 Mid Atlantic Section/Region fee (\$6 of this fee is non-refundable), \$15.00 local league fee and non-refundable TennisLink Transaction fee of no more than \$4.00.

### IMPORTANT DATES:

- **April 1 through 30:** Local Team Registration. Register online [here](#).
- **May 7:** Dropout deadline. **Notify the league coordinator by email before May 7 to drop out.** Registered teams who drop out of the league after May 7<sup>th</sup> will be charged a \$75 fee to cover processing costs to re-create the match schedule.
- **May 7:** TennisLink Player registration begins. Players may register in TennisLink any time before their first match and until the next to last match of the league season.
- **May 26:** Approximate date for Match Schedules to be posted in TennisLink.
- **June 11 through July 31:** Approximate dates for Local League Season. Dates may vary for some levels.
- **2<sup>nd</sup> to last match of the local season:** Deadline for adding players to rosters in TennisLink.

### MATCH FORMAT, LEAGUE SCHEDULE / MATCH TIMES:

- NTRP Levels – 2.5, 3.0, 3.5, 4.0 and 4.5 NTRP levels for both men's and women's teams. The 4.5 NTRP level is no longer a "+" league, meaning 5.0's cannot participate at this level.
- Each 3.0 – 4.5 level team match will consist of 4 individual matches, 1 singles & 3 doubles. The 2.5 NTRP level will use 3 courts, 1 singles & 2 doubles.
- The number of matches will depend on the number of teams in the level or flight and the number of weekends available for league play. 7 to 10 matches is a normal league season.
- Local league playoffs may be required in some levels. Playoff formats will be determined by the Local Coordinator.
- Women's 2.5 through 4.5 levels play Saturdays and Men's 2.5 through 4.5 levels play Sundays.
- Some levels may occasionally require 2 matches per weekend and/or a weeknight match.
- Match start times are between 8AM and 7PM. Home clubs/facilities set match times based on their court availability. Teams are not guaranteed an even number of home and away matches.

### REGIONAL & SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP INFORMATION:

- No Regionals in 2022. Teams advance to Sectionals.
- **August 16-22, 2022:** Mid-Atlantic Adult 40 & Over Sectional Championship for .0 NTRP levels.
- **August 26-29, 2022:** Mid-Atlantic Adult 40 & Over Sectional Championship for .5 NTRP levels.
- Regional and Sectional Championship information will be posted [here](#) on the USTA Mid-Atlantic website.



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### OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- **Online Local League Team Registration Form:** Local League Team Registration is the process of team captains letting the coordinator know that they will have a team in the league. It also allows the coordinator to gather team information that is needed to produce the match schedule. Teams are not considered “registered” until the online form is completed. The registration form will be available [here](#).
- **Age Limit:** Players must be 40 years old, or must turn 40 this calendar year.
- **Email:** All captains must provide an email address that they check regularly. The coordinator communicates league information by email and the league website.
- **Tennis Link Captain Report (Captain Contact List):** The TennisLink Team Captain Report provides the contact information for all captains in your level or flight. The Captains Report uses the name, address, email address and phone number listed for your USTA Membership. If the information on the Captain’s Report is not accurate, you must update it by contacting [USTA Customer Care](#).
- **League Rules & Procedures:** Please visit the League Rules and Forms page on the local league website and review the 2022 Local League Rules and Local League Procedures. Captains should use the rules and procedures as a reference throughout the season.
- **The 4-Player Rule / USTA Mid-Atlantic Rule 1.04G:** Only four (4) players may be members together on another team in the same Division, within an age group, at the same team NTRP level, during the same season. That means only 4 players may be members together on an 40 & Over Weekend Women’s Team and an 40 & Over Weekday Women’s team at the same NTRP level.
- Each player may play on **one team per level** within the same league.
- **Roster Limits:** Adult 40 & Over age group teams must have a minimum of 7 players for 3.0 – 4.5 levels and 5 players for 2.5 level. **Team rosters are limited to 22 players.** The deadline for adding players to your roster is the next to last match of your level’s local league season.
- **Players Seeking Teams:** Captains/Teams who need additional players should visit the local league website and click on the “Need a Team or a Player” page. The list of players seeking teams is updated frequently throughout the season.
- **Team Match Scoring for 4 Courts:** If tied 2-2, the tie shall be broken by the first of the following methods to do so:
  - a) Sets: Loser of the fewest number of sets.
  - b) Games: Loser of the fewest number of games.
  - c) Game Winning Percentage: Total games won divided by total games played
  - d) Winner of No. 1 Doubles