



LEAGUE FACT SHEET

Richmond USTA Adult 55 & Over Men's 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
- Website: <http://www.richmondtennisleagues.com/>

LEAGUE FEES / COSTS:

- All fees are paid online in TennisLink when players register for teams.
- Registration fees are \$41 plus the TennisLink Transaction fee. Breakdown is as follows:
 - \$26.00 Mid Atlantic Section and Region fee (\$6 of this fee is non-refundable.)
 - \$15.00 local league fee
 - TennisLink Transaction fee of no more than \$4.00 will be calculated in TennisLink. (non-refundable)

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 7th 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 28:** Approximate date for match schedules to be posted in TennisLink.
- **June 14 through late August:** Approximate league season dates. Dates will vary for different levels.
- **2nd to last match of the local season:** Deadline for adding players to rosters in TennisLink.

MATCH FORMAT, LEAGUE SCHEDULE / MATCH TIMES:

- NTRP Levels – 6.0 thru 9.0 combined rating NTRP levels. Up to a 1-point rating difference between doubles partners allowed. Each team match will consist of 3 doubles matches.
- 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.
- 7.0 Level plays Tuesdays, 8.0 Level plays Thursdays, 9.0 Level plays Wednesdays. 6.0 level TBD if any teams sign up. Alternate weekday evenings may be required due to league size, court availability, and other league matches.
- Weeknight court availability is very limited. Teams may be required to play more than one match per week in order to complete the season on time and qualify for Adult 55 & Over Sectionals.
- Match start times will be between 5:30PM and 9PM.
- Matches are scheduled according to court availability at each team's club or facility. Teams are not guaranteed an even number of home and away matches.

REGIONAL & SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP INFORMATION:

- **No Regional Championship for Adult 55 & Over Age Group.**
- **Sept 9 – 12, 2022:** Mid-Atlantic Adult 55 & Over Sectional Championship
- 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. Register online [here](#).
- **Match Format:** Each 6.0 – 9.0 level team match will consist of 3 individual doubles matches using a combined rating format, with up to a 1-point rating differential allowed.
- **Age Limit:** Players must be 55 years old, or must turn 55 this calendar year.
- **Email:** All captains must provide an email address that they check regularly. The coordinators communicate 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 2020 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.
- Each player may play on **one team per level** within the same league.
- **Roster Limits:** Adult 55 & Over age group teams must have a minimum of 6 players. 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.