



LEAGUE FACT SHEET Richmond USTA Mixed 40 & Over League

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

- Local League Coordinator (LLC): Patty Smith- info@richmondtennisleagues.com
- Website: 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:

- **March 1 through 31:** Local Team Registration. Register online on the [Local League Website Leagues](#) page and click on Mixed 40 & Over League.
- **April 7:** Dropout deadline. **Notify the league coordinator by email before April 7 to drop out.** Registered teams who drop out of the league after April 7th will be charged a \$75 fee to cover the processing costs to re-create the match schedule.
- **April 7:** Player registration in TennisLink opens.
- **April 18 (approximately):** Match Schedules will be posted in TennisLink.
- **May 2 through July 22:** Local League Season approximate 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:

- Each **mixed 2.5**, and 6.0 - 9.0 team match will consist of 3 mixed doubles matches.
- NTRP levels 6.0 - 9.0 are combined rating and allow up to a 1-point rating difference between doubles partners. **NTRP 2.5 level is available for 2.5 rated players only. It is not a combined rated level.**
- The number of matches will depend on the number of teams in the level or flight and the number of weeks available for league play. 7 – 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.
- Matches are played Monday, Wednesday & Friday evenings. Matches for all levels will be scheduled on any of the 3 nights based on court availability at the home clubs. Additional evenings may be required depending on the overall size of the league and court availability.
- Teams may have more than one match per week.
- Match start times will be between 6PM 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:

- **Teams advance to Sectionals. Levels with 1-12 teams can advance 1 team to Sectionals and levels with 13-24 teams can advance 2 teams to Sectionals.**
- **Sept 9-12, 2022: Mid-Atlantic Mixed 40 & Over Sectional Championships**
- 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. The coordinator gathers 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](#).
- **Match Format:** Each 2.5 level and 6.0 – 9.0 level team match will consist of 3 mixed gender (1 man, 1 woman) doubles matches using a combined rating format, with up to a 1-point rating differential allowed.
- **Age Requirement:** 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 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 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. Since Richmond has only 1 Mixed 40 & Over league, this rule would not impact teams in this area.
- Each player may play on **one team per level** within the same league, **but may play on multiple teams as long as teams are a different NTRP level.** For example, Jane Smith is a 4.0 player. Jane Smith could play on an 8.0 team with a 4.0 (or below) partner, a 9.0 team with a 5.0 partner and a 7.0 team with a 3.0 partner.
- **Roster Limits:** Mixed 40 & Over age group teams must have a minimum of 6 players, 3 women and 3 men. **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 looking for teams:** Captains/Teams who need additional players should visit the local league website and click on the “Players Looking for Teams” page. The list of players looking for teams is updated frequently throughout the season.