

## **USTA Match Play Rules**

- All players must sign in at the desk using the USTA Match sheet.
- All players must sign a Winning Touch Tennis Lehigh Valley (WTTLV) Player Profile, which includes a general liability statement, the first time they play. WTTLV will keep the signed Player Profile on file for future reference.
- A guest fee of **\$30.00** for all players, home or visiting team players, who are non- WTTLV TAP members; a fee of **\$5.00** for all players, home or visiting team players, who are TAP players, must be paid prior to going onto the courts.
- WTTLV will reserve a 30-minute warmup court for a visiting team when a WTTLV TAP member of that team calls the desk and makes the request. TAP players on the visiting team are free; non-TAP players pay a \$5.00/player fee for a ½ hour of court time to warm-up.

If the visiting team has not reserved a 30-minute warmup court, WTTLV TAP players can “walk-onto” a court, if open, at no cost. Non-WTTLV TAP players must remain in the lounge area until 10 minutes prior to match time when they can go onto a court, if available, to warm-up or they can pay a \$5.00/player fee for a ½ hour of court time to warm-up if a court is available.

- WTTLV reserves 2 hours per court for USTA matches; if the court is open following the 2 hours, the players can play until the match is completed at no extra charge; if the court is reserved directly after the 2-hour match reservation, the match must finish by the end of the 2-hour reserved time by using the **Timed Match Rules** as per USTA Middle States Section Regulations. At time of check-in, the desk can let the team captains know the court status beyond the 2-hour reservation.
- **Reschedule Policy:**
  - All WTT captains must get management approval to reschedule a court(s) for a USTA match. Only the management team can determine if/when the courts will be rescheduled. Do not make this request to a desk associate.

- If a reschedule request is approved for a reason(s) other than those listed in the USTA Middle States League Policy as outlined below, a player from either team must pay a \$20.00 per court administrative fee prior to the rescheduling of the court(s).
- **Cancellation Policy:**
  - If a court(s) is/are released 48 hours in advance, there is no fee charged.
  - If a court(s) is/are released 24 hours prior to a match, a fee of \$36.00 per court will be charged to the team who cancels, whether home or visiting. This charge must be paid when the cancellation is made or prior to the match, either in person or by credit card via phone.
  - **Once the match begins, no refunds will be given for any reason.**
- **Winning Touch Tennis will follow and strictly adhere to the USTA Middle States League Policy for postponing/rescheduling any court reservations made for USTA matches.**

Therefore, USTA matches will **ONLY** be rescheduled for the following situations:

- Adverse weather conditions.
- Unexpected court availability issues that might arise at Winning Touch Tennis.
- USTA league playoff matches.
  - Eastern PA District league matches can be re-scheduled, upon request, if a team has 4 players in a 4 or 5 court league or 3 players in a 3-court league who are involved in a district, section, or national championship.
  - Teams should play as many courts as possible on the scheduled match day.
  - The players in question must be representing Middle States or a district within Middle States. Four days' notice, in writing (email), to the opposing team captain is required.
- If WTTLV closes due to inclement weather, the home captain will be notified; it is their responsibility to notify the captain of the visiting team.
- All USTA rules and etiquette guidelines must be followed.