UNNOFICIAL USTA SHREVEPORT BOSSIER REGULATIONS
For USTA League Tennis Adult and Mixed Divisions; USTA Southern Combo Division and Tri Level Division
League Year 2021

(Note: Paragraphs included herein are numbered according to pertinent paragraphs of the 2020 USTA League Tennis Regulations).
1.00 GENERAL The Regulations in 1.00 General in conjunction with USTA National, USTA Southern and USTA Louisiana regulations shall apply to all USTA League Divisions (Adult and Mixed) as well as USTA Southern Combo and Tri-Level.

1.02 Governance

1.02A Waiver of Rules and Procedures Prohibited Printed below are the USTA Shreveport - Bossier Regulations as authorized by the USTA National League Regulations, USTA Southern Section Regulations, and USTA Louisiana Regulations.

1.02B Amendments Local League Coordinators may amend these NWLACTA Local League Regulations with approval from the Local League Council.

1.02C Written Interpretation The Local League Coordinator, in conjunction with the NWLACTA League Council shall have the authority to interpret the Shreveport Bossier Regulations.

1.04B Administration

1.04B(3)c Local League Coordinators Local league administrators who include Local Coordinators and Board of Directors of the local Northwest Louisiana Community Tennis Association are responsible for administering and promoting the USTA League Programs in their area.

1.04B(3)c(i) League Code of Ethics All league administrators will adhere to the USTA Southern Section League Tennis Officials Code of Ethics (http://www.southern.usta.com/USA-League-Tennis-Pages/9305_USTA_Southern_Section_League_Tennis_Officials_Code_of_Ethics_As_of_21804/)

1.04B(3)c(ii) League Coordinator Responsibilities USTA League Tennis Regulations (National, Southern Section, State, Local) are available on www.nwlacta.com prior to the start of local league competition.

1.04B(3)c(iii) A mandatory team captain's meeting must be held prior to the start of league play for each local league program. Topics to be covered include local regulations (provide internet links to National, Sectional, State regulations), championships eligibility requirements, and deadlines. Local league coordinators should review all regulations and procedures with new team captains. The captains meeting may be held by any of the following methods; in person, conference call, video call, webinar or email communications.

1.04C Official Information System

League	Registration Start Date (team registration opens)	Initial Roster Deadline (team registration Closes)	End Player Registration (Last day to add players to existing teams)	League Season Start Date	League Season End Date
18 & Over Adult	Dec 8,2020	Jan 10,2021	May 7, 2021	January 25, 2021	May 21, 2021
40 & Over Adult	Dec 8,2020	Jan 10, 2021	April 16, 2021	January 25, 2021	April 30, 2021
55 & Over Adult	Dec 4, 2020	Jan 4, 2021	March 26, 2021	January 18, 2021	April 9, 2021
18 & Over Mixed Doubles	April 16, 2021	May, 14, 2021	July 30, 2021	May 24, 2021	August 13, 2021
40 & Over Mixed Doubles	April 16, 2021	May, 14, 2021	July 30, 2021	May 24, 2021	August 13, 2021
55 & Over Mixed Doubles	April 16, 2021	May, 14, 2021	July 30, 2021	May 24, 2021	August 13, 2021
18 & Over Tri Level	March 1, 2021	March 31, 2021	May 21, 2021	April 26, 2021	June 4, 2021
40 & Over Tri Level	March 1, 2021	March 31, 2021	May 21, 2021	April 26, 2021	June 4, 2021
55 & Over Tri Level	March 1, 2021	March 31, 2021	May 21, 2021	April 26, 2021	June 4, 2021
18 & Over Combo	July 1, 2021	July 30, 2021	October 8, 2021	August 16, 2021	October 22, 2021
40 & Over Combo	July 1, 2021	July 30, 2021	October 1, 2021	August 13, 2021	October 15, 2021
55 & Over Combo	July 1, 2021	July 30, 2021	October 8, 2021	August 16, 2021	October 22, 2021

1.04C(1)a Team Registration Dates/ Deadlines The deadline date must be prior to the start of the local league season and must be no later than one (1) month prior to the state championship with local league schedules published. **See Chart Above**

1.04C(1)b Player Registration Dates / Deadlines – All player additions to existing registered team rosters must be made no later than 14 days prior to the amended league season deadlines for 2021. Local leagues may set a deadline date that is more than 14 days prior to the amended league season deadlines for 2021 for player additions to existing teams.
See Chart Above

1.04C(1)c League Fees & Financial Statement

1.04C(1)d The local Northwest Louisiana Community Tennis Associations is responsible for making available a financial statement to the local team captains at the conclusion of each league year. Any fees paid to the local league coordinator, level coordinators, league assistants, and/or league secretary must be itemized on the financial report. These financial statements can be found on www.nwlacta.com under CTA minutes.

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1.04C(1)e Enrollment Fees The 2021 USTA Shreveport - Bossier league year enrollment fees.

Any increase to Local League head tax must be approved by the USTA Louisiana Adult League Council prior to the start of the leagues team registration.

League	USTA Louisiana Head Tax	(Local League) Head Tax	TennisLink Fee	Enrollment Fee
18 & Over Adult	$15.00	$9.00	$3.00	$27.00
40 & Over Adult	$15.00	$9.00	$3.00	$27.00
55 & Over Adult	$10.00	$9.00	$3.00	$22.00
18 & Over Mixed Doubles	$15.00	$9.00	$3.00	$27.00
40 & Over Mixed Doubles	$15.00	$9.00	$3.00	$27.00
55 & Over Mixed Doubles	$10.00	$9.00	$3.00	$22.00
18 & Over Tri Level	$15.00	$9.00	$3.00	$27.00
40 & Over Tri Level	$15.00	$9.00	$3.00	$27.00
55 & Over Tri Level	$10.00	$9.00	$3.00	$22.00
18 & Over Combo	$15.00	$9.00	$3.00	$27.00
40 & Over Combo	$15.00	$9.00	$3.00	$27.00
55 & Over Combo	$10.00	$9.00	$3.00	$22.00
Flexible Format	$2.00	$9.00	$3.00	$14.00

1.04 C(1)f Local League Refunds: Local League player refunds will only be issued for the following:

- League did not make, injury, illness, or permanent move from local league area.
- If player participated in a later league where registration could have been transferred, a refund will not be issued.
- Refund request must be made prior to the state championship for league in which refund is being requested.
- Refund request must be documented via email to the LLC and that request may be required for refund.
- Local league coordinators may move player registration to another league/team if player has not played any matches on team which requesting refund. Transfer of player registration can only be between 18/40 age group registrations to 18/40 age group team, 55 age group to 55 age group team.
- Refunds will be administered once a year in December for all qualifying refunds request that could not be transferred.

1.04C(2) Official Score Reporting and Standings System –If completed match scores not recorded on TennisLink within 48 hours of the completion of the match, the Local League Coordinator may issue a warning via email to both team captains to enter match scores by a specified date and time. If scores are not entered on TennisLink by the specified date and time, the match may be recorded and confirmed on TennisLink as a double default. Local Area Team Default penalties may be applied. **1.04D LOCAL LEAGUE**

1.04D(3) Local League Season All local league matches shall be completed two (2) weeks prior to the state championship.

- Any Local Leagues whose matches are published in TennisLink beyond the Local League deadline date set by the USTA Louisiana will be ineligible to advance to the leagues USTA Louisiana State Championship.

1.04D(4) Team. A team shall consist of players eligible to compete at a specific NTRP level of competition in accordance with the following table.

TEAM COMPOSITION				
DIVISION	**Age Group**	**MINIMUM NUMBER OF PLAYERS**	**GENDER**	**NTRP LEVEL**
Adult	18 & Over 2.5 women, 2.5 men, 5.0 & Open	5	Same Gender	A player's NTRP rating level shall not exceed the team NTRP level
	18 & Over 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5	**8**		
	40 & Over 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5 & Open	**7**		
	40 & Over Open	**6**		
	55 & Over Straight Levels 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5 Combined Levels 9.0			When using straight NTRP rating levels, player's NTRP rating shall not exceed the team NTRP level. Combined NTRP rating levels of partners shall not exceed the team NTRP level.

	*65 & Over Straight Levels 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5 Combined Levels 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0	**6**	Same Gender	NTRP rating level difference between partners shall not exceed 1.0 The minimum NTRP Level for: 6.0 is 2.5; 7.0 is 3.0; 8.0 is 3.5 9.0 is 4.0.
Mixed	18 & Over Straight Level 2.5, Combined 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0, 10.0 40 & Over 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0 **55 & Over 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0	3 men 3 women	Men and Women	When using straight NTRP levels, player's NTRP rating level shall not exceed team NTRP level. Combined NTRP rating levels of partners shall not exceed team NTRP level. NTRP difference between partners shall not exceed 1.0. The minimum NTRP Level for: 6.0 is 2.5; 7.0 is 3.0; 8.0 is 3.5; 9.0 is 4.0; 10.0 is 4.5.
Combo	18 & Over Straight Level 2.5, Combined 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0, 10.0 40 & Over 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0 **55 & Over 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0	6	Same Gender	When using straight NTRP rating levels, player's NTRP rating level shall not exceed the team NTRP level Combined NTRP rating levels of partners shall not exceed the team NTRP level. The maximum NTRP Level for: 5.5 is 3.0; 6.5 is 3.5; 7.5 is 4.0; 8.5 is 5.0; 9.5 is 5.5; 10.5 is 6.0
Tri Level	**18 & Over Div I – 2.5,3.0,3.5 (Women) Div II – 3.0, 3.5,4.0 Div III – 3.5,4.0,4.5 **40 & Over Div I – 2.5,3.0,3.5 Div II – 3.0, 3.5,4.0 **55 & Over Div II – 3.0, 3.5,4.0	6	Same Gender	When using straight NTRP rating levels, player's NTRP rating level shall not exceed the team NTRP level NTRP rating level difference between partners shall not exceed 1.0
* Division, League Types and Levels that USTA Southern will use. ** League Types and Levels that USTA Louisiana will use.				

1.04D(6): Courts for Local League Play. "Home teams" will have the choice of court surface for which they wish to play their home matches. The use of tennis-related blended lines are permitted on courts used for local league matches. The use of other lines for another sport, such as Pickleball, are not permitted on courts used for local league matches.

1.04E Player Eligibility

1.04E(1) Domicile and Residency Requirements USTA Louisiana will have no residency requirements for local league play. Exception: A state may regulate residency requirements for teams that play a local league at a state championship ,advance directly to a state championship (if applicable for the Adult 65 & Over league) and/or play in a single-weekend local league tournament may have players from areas as long as the majority of players reside in the state of Louisiana.

Bossier Tennis Center	1651 Mondello Way	Bossier City LA 71111	318-213-2108
Cockrell Tennis Center	4109 Pines Road	Shreveport LA 71119	318-673-7790
Eastridge Country Club	1000 Steward Drive	Shreveport LA 71106	318-751-3331
Indoors	8201 Tennis Court Lane	Shreveport LA 71106	318-869-3303
Pierremont Oaks Tennis Club	578 Spring Lake Drive	Shreveport LA 71106	318-868-8118
Querbes Tennis Center	3507 Beverly Place	Shreveport LA 71104	318-673-7787
Southern Hills Tennis Center	1000 Bert Kouns Industrial Loop	Shreveport LA 71118	318-673-7784
Southern Trace Country Club	200 Southern Trace Pkwy	Shreveport LA 71106	318-798-8302
Stone Bridge Tennis Club	350 Stonebridge Blvd	Bossier City LA 71111	318-746-0250

1.04E(2) Electronic Devices. A player may not use electronic devices such as cell phones, smart watches, digital messaging systems, radios, mp3 players, or any device capable of receiving communication during USTA League (FAC USTA Comment 30.1.). If a cellphone rings during a point, the opponent may stop the point and claim the point based on deliberate hindrance (FAC USTA Comment 26.3).

1.04E(3) Age. Players must be 18 years of age prior to participating in the USTA League program. Each player over the age of 18 shall have reached the required minimum age prior to or during the calendar year in which such player participates in his or her first local league.

1.04F Official League Rating Program

1.04F(1) Entry A player without a valid NTRP rating level in TennisLink, a returning player with an expired NTRP rating level, a Tournament Exclusive (T) rated player or a Mixed Exclusive (M) rated player who does not have a valid computer (C) rating from a previous year and chooses to participate in the Adult Division, must self-rate to be assigned a new rating, reassigned to their last expired rating or a higher rating based on their playing history to enter the USTA League Program. A player must enter league play in accordance with the following table.

NTRP RATING LEVEL FOR ENTRY INTO LEAGUE PLAY		
DIVISION	**Age Group**	**PLAYER'S NTRP RATING LEVEL**
Adult	Straight NTRP levels 18 & Over[1] 40 & Over[2] 55 & Over *65 & Over	Current NTRP rating level and/or up to one level above the player's current NTRP level.
	Combined NTRP levels 55 & Over *65 & Over	Combined NTRP rating levels of partners shall not exceed the team NTRP Level. NTRP rating level difference between partners may not exceed 1.0 The minimum NTRP Level for: 6.0 is 2.5; 7.0 is 3.0; 8.0 is 3.5; 9.0 is 4.0
Mixed	18 & Over *2.5 Straight NTRP levels	Limited to 2.0 and 2.5 NTRP rated players
	18 & Over 40 & Over **55 & Over Combined NTRP Levels	Combined NTRP rating levels of partners shall not exceed the team NTRP level. NTRP rating level difference between partners may not exceed 1.0 The minimum NTRP Level for: 6.0 is 2.5; 7.0 is 3.0; 8.0 is 3.5; 9.0 is 4.0; 10.0 is 4.5
*Combo	18 & Over 2.5 Straight NTRP level	Limited to 2.0 and 2.5 NTRP rated players
	18 & Over 40 & Over 55 & Over Combined NTRP Levels	Combined NTRP rating levels of partners shall not exceed the team NTRP level. The maximum NTRP Level for: 5.5 is 3.0; 6.5 is 3.5; 7.5 is 4.0; 8.5 is 5.0; 9.5 is 5.5; 10.5 is 6.0
Tri Level	**18 & Over Div I – 2.5,3.0,3.5 (Women) Div II – 3.0, 3.5,4.0 Div III – 3.5,4.0,4.5	Current NTRP rating level and/or up to one level above the player's current NTRP level When using straight NTRP rating levels, player's NTRP rating level shall not exceed the court NTRP level. NTRP rating level difference between partners shall not exceed 1.0
	**40 & Over Div I – 2.5,3.0,3.5 Div II – 3.0, 3.5,4.0	
	**55 & Over Div II – 3.0, 3.5,4.0	
Southern Notes: [1] 5.0 minimum NTRP & higher to participate in Adult 18 & Over "Open" [2] 4.5 minimum NTRP & higher to participate in Adult 40 & Over "Open" *Assigned and/or additional Divisions, Age Groups and Levels that USTA Southern will use. **Assigned and/or additional Divisions, Age Groups and Levels that USTA Louisiana will use.		

1.04G PLAYER PARTICIPATION ELIGIBILITY.

1.04G(6). Any player who qualifies to advance to the USTA Louisiana State Championship in the Adult, Mixed, Southern Combo or Tri Level division may advance on more than one team within an age group only if they are different NTRP Levels. No accommodations for scheduling will be made at the USTA Louisiana Championships for teams with players that may be competing on two or more teams during a state championship.

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2.00 USTA LEAGUE REGULATIONS All USTA League Regulations in 1.00 GENERAL and 3.00 GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES and the following regulations in this section shall apply to all USTA League Divisions (Adult and Mixed) as well as USTA Southern Combo and Tri-Level except for Reg. 2.04 NTRP Dynamic Disqualification and Review Procedures which shall apply only to the USTA League Adult Division.

2.01 A NTRP Levels of Play

- **Adult 18 and Over:** 2.5, 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, and 4.5 **40 and Over:** 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, and 4.5+ **55 and Over:** 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, and 9.0 (men and women); Adult 18 and Over DAY (women only) 2.5,3.0,3.5,4.0
- **Tri-Level 18 and Over:** 2.5-3.0-3.5 (women only) 3.0-3.5-4.0 and 3.5, 4.0 and 4.5 (men and women) **40 and Over:** 3.0-3.5-4.0 and 3.5-4.0-4.5 (men and women) **55 and Over:** 3.0-3.5-4.0 (men and women)
- **Mixed: 18 and Over**: 2.5, 6.0, 7.0, 8.0 and 9.0 **40 and Over**: 6.0, 7.0, 8.0 and 9.0, **55 and Over:** 6.0, 7.0 and 8.0
- **Combo 18 and Over:** 2.5, 5.5, 6.5, 7.5, 8.5 and 9.5 **40 and Over:** 5.5, 6.5, 7.5, 8.5 and 9.5 **55 and Over**: 6.5, 7.5, and 8.5

2.01A(1) When using straight NTRP levels, a player cannot have an NTRP rating higher than the NTRP level in which the player is competing

2.01C(2) – Team Match.

DIVISION	AGE GROUP	LEAGUE FORMAT	Points Awarded For
Adult	18 & Over 3.0, 3.5, 4.0 and 4.5	2 Singles 3 Doubles	3 Individual Wins
	18 & Over 2.5 & 5.0 2.5 Women's DAY	1 Singles 2 Doubles	2 Individual Wins
	18 & Over 3.0,3.5,4.0 Women's DAY	3 Doubles	2 Individual Wins
	40 & Over	1 Singles / 3 Doubles	3 Individual Wins If tied 2-2, the tie shall be broken by the first of the following methods to do so: a) least sets lost; then least games lost; then game winning percentage; then winner of 1st court doubles.
	55 & Over	3 Doubles	2 Individual Wins
	65 & Over	3 Doubles	
Mixed	18 & Over	3 Doubles	2 Individual Wins
	40 & Over	3 Doubles	
	55 & Over	3 Doubles	
Combo	18 & Over	3 Doubles	2 Individual Wins
	40 & Over	3 Doubles	
	55 & Over	3 Doubles	
Tri Level	18 & Over	3 Doubles	2 Individual Wins
	40 & Over	3 Doubles	
	55 & Over	3 Doubles	

2.01C(2) Team Match. Each team match in a local league shall consist of such number of individual matches of singles, doubles, or any combination thereof as determined by the local league. For each team match, a majority of the individual matches must actually be played to constitute a valid team match. The following procedure should be used when the combination of individual match defaults given by the two teams in the team match results, or would result, in a situation where the majority of the individual matches would not be played.

The first course of action would be for both captains to agree on what individual matches, based on the number of players present, or to be present, that can be played to constitute a valid team match. Once that is determined, both captains will re-exchange scorecards.

If both captains cannot come to an agreement on what individual matches will be played to constitute a valid team match, based on the number of players present, or to be present, then the following individual matches will be assigned in sequential order to be played:

Format	Required Matches in sequential order	Minimum # of Players Required for Each Team in Valid Team Match
2 singles, 3 doubles	#1 and #2 singles, and #1 doubles (priority); #2 doubles if enough players present	4
1 singles, 4 doubles	#1 singles, #1 and #2 doubles (priority); #3 doubles if enough players present	5
2 singles, 2 doubles	#1 singles and #2 singles and #1 doubles (priority)	4

1 singles, 3 doubles	#1 singles and #1 doubles and #2 doubles (priority)	5
1 singles, 2 doubles	#1 singles and #1 doubles	3
3 doubles	#1 and #2 doubles	4

If both teams have enough players to play the match and it's discovered after-the-fact that a majority of the matches were not played to constitute a valid team match, both captains need to come to an agreement of what lines will be played to make the team match valid. If captains cannot come to an agreement, then the individual match(es) to be played will be assigned in sequential order in the above-mentioned table. If a captain does not comply with this regulation, then it may be considered a full-team default in favor of the opponents If a team shows up without the minimum # of players required for the team match based on the number of players present, or to be present, it will be a full team default in favor of the opponents. Please refer to national regulation 2.01C(5) on team default procedures.
2.01C(2)a- When the combination of individual match defaults given by the two teams in the team match results, or would result, in a situation where the majority of the individual matches would not be played, captains shall notify the Local League Coordinator who will reschedule the remaining un-played individual matches.

2.01C(3) Match Scoring and Formats All matches in USTA Leagues and Southern Leagues shall be the best of three tiebreak sets with a set tie-break at 6-all. In the event of split sets, a match tie-break (10-point) shall be played in lieu of a third set with the two minute set break with no coaching allowed The Coman tiebreak procedure shall be followed in all tiebreaks.

- The team winning the majority of the individual matches shall be awarded one team point.
    - For a 4 court match: If tied 2-2, the tie shall be broken by the first of the following methods to do so: a) least sets lost; then least games lost; then game winning percentage; then winner of 1st court doubles.
- If a Local League has a playoff, championship procedures must be used in the event of a tie. Please refer to national regulation 2.03H.At the end of the Local League Season
- In the event of a tie, the tie shall be broken by the first of the following procedures that does so: Winner of the most individual matches (courts); then winner of Head-to-head (only if all tied teams have played each other and one team defeated all the teams that are tied); then least sets lost; then least games lost; then highest game winning percentage; then a coin toss.

2.01C(5) Team Lineups The team captains shall exchange their lineups simultaneously prior to the start of team match. No substitution may be made in an individual match after the lineup has been presented, except for injury, illness or no-show of a player prior to the start of an individual match. A team may substitute a player in the affected position within the 15 minute default time, using a player not already listed on the lineup. The substitute player is entitled to a five (5) minute warm-up. A player's name must be listed on the team roster, as shown in TennisLink, prior to participation in any match.

2.01C(5)c Rescheduling Matches due to Inclement Weather: A match will be rescheduled if the wind chill is below 39 degrees one hour before the match is scheduled to begin, or if the courts are unplayable due to weather related causes (rain, snow, sleet, ect.), one hour before the match is scheduled to begin, as determined by the Head or Assistant Tennis Pro at the host facility It is the responsibility of the hosting team's Captain to contact the Tennis Pro at the Host site to determine playability AND notify the Visiting Captain 1 hour before the match is scheduled to begin if the Match is to be rescheduled due to wind chill or weather. Cancelled matches cannot be rescinded.

Known Defaults- In the spirit of good sportsmanship and fair play, it is **recommended** that the opposing team should be advised of a known default as soon as it is known and before players are driving to the match. If a captain fails to inform the opposing captain of a known default, a warning could be given and/or the Local League Council could file a grievance against the captain.

Rescheduled matches should be made up within 2 weeks of the scheduled match date, unless the state deadline date for the league is prior to 2 weeks, then matches need to be completed prior to the state deadline date. Both captains are responsible for ensuring matches are completed within the 2 week period. **If match is not made up within the 2 week period or prior to state deadline dates, a league administrator may schedule the match**. The host captain is responsible for reserving courts at the facility where the match was originally scheduled. It is recommended the details for all rescheduled courts be documented in writing/email (i.e. date/time) between the 2 captains. Once both captains agree on make-up date(s) and times, it is considered a scheduled match and default principles shall be applicable. In the event of continuous inclement weather, which causes make-up matches to back up, the pro may make a decision to allow matches to be rescheduled at sites different from the originally scheduled site. If this decision is made, the pro will notify the local league coordinator. The host team will be responsible for any extra court fees due to change in location. When rain or inclement weather forces the cancellation and re-scheduling of a team match, line-ups would stand only for those individual courts that have already started (first serve attempt) their match. All other individual courts, even those that were in warm-up may be

changed including defaulted courts. When determining weather, related to a match cancellation, go to www.nwlacta.com and click on the weather channel icon located on the bottom of the home page. You must enter the host facility zip code, which can be found on the link called Facility Map on the left side of the home page. This will be the universal weather source used by local facilities and pros.

2.01C(5)c(i) Rescheduling of Matches - Advancing Teams. A Local League match shall be rescheduled upon request if 50% of the minimum required players for the match are registered players on a team attending a National, Sectional or State Championship (See Chart Below). Consideration will be given for appropriate travel time to the Championship. All scheduled courts not affected should be played as scheduled. It is recommended to reschedule matches prior to the originally scheduled date and the two (2) week make up regulation will apply.

Division	Age Group	Minimum # of Players	# Players = 50% Minimum Required Players
Adult	18 & Over: 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5	8	4
	18 & Over: 2.5 and 5.0	5	2
	18 & Over Women Day 2.5,3.0,3.5,4.0	6	3
	40 & Over 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5	7	4
	55 & Over 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 9.0 combined	6	3
Mixed	All Age Groups/Levels	3 men and 3 women able to combine and compete	1 man or 1 women
Combo	All Age Groups/Levels	6 players able to combine and compete	1 player from any NTRP
Tri-Level	All Age Groups/Levels	6 players able to combine and compete	1 player from any NTRP

2.01 C(5)e. Team Defaults - When a team default (As defined by 2.03K Team Default regulation) occurs in local league play the Local League Coordinator shall submit to the State League Coordinator a recommendation on how the default should be handled.

Exception for two team leagues: No team may advance beyond local league play if a team default occurs regardless of the number of team matches scheduled.

The recommendation should support the answer to the following question:

Should the team default stand (scored as a 6-0, 6-0 loss on each individual match forfeited) thus allowing the team to remain eligible to advance beyond local competition?

If the answer is yes:
The default will stand, allowing the team to advance beyond local play.

If the answer is no:

- For leagues playing a single round robin:
  - The team will be removed from standings in round robin play unless all teams with a mathematical chance to advance have already played the defaulting team in good faith, in which case, the matches shall stand as played when determining standings.

- For leagues playing multiple round robins (choose one):
  - The team will be removed from standings in the affected round only, or
  - The team will be removed from standings in all round robins

The defaulting team may be ineligible to advance beyond local league but remains obligated to play the remainder of all local league matches. These matches will be recorded in TennisLink for the purposes of satisfying match play requirements for opponents and NTRP calculations for all players involved

The State League Coordinator, upon review of the facts and circumstances presented by the Local League Coordinator shall approve or deny the local league recommendation.

2.02 Progression

2.02A(1) Local Competition All local matches should be completed two (2) weeks prior to the USTA Louisiana State Championship.

If a Local League has a playoff, championship procedures must be used in the event of a tie. Please refer to national regulation 2.03H.

The team with the most team points shall be declared the local league winner. All local matches should be completed two (2) weeks prior to the state tournament.

2.02 A(2) Local Champion Advancing teams are required to register and pay entry fee for at least the leagues minimum number of players online through the championship website 10 days prior to the start of the state championship to guarantee spot in the state

championship draw. See USTA Louisiana Championship Website for additional details and deadline dates for player registration.

2.03 A Eligibility

2.03A. At all Championships, a minimum number of team members as shown in the table below, who were on the final roster of their local league team at the conclusion of local league play must be available and eligible to compete or to combine and compete, as appropriate. The required minimum number of team members may be reduced with an approved waiver, but to not less than the minimum as noted in the following table. At Sectional Championship level and below, the Championship Committee may grant such a waiver.

2.03A(4) Eligibility to advance to National Championships for self-rated and computer-rated appealed players requires playing at least four (4) matches on the same team at the same level in the same Age Group. No defaults received count.

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3 matches on the same team.

Self-rated and computer-rated appealed players

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Self-rated and computer-rated appealed players

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Adult 18 & Over “Open” and Adult 40 & Over “Open”: State associations have authority to mandate advancement requirements to their applicable state championship. For 2021 only, one “Open” team per state will be permitted to advance directly to the Southern championships if there was no local or state play.</td></tr>
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2.05C Appeal of Year-End Ratings.

Year-end NTRP valid computer rating levels may be appealed or denied through TennisLink except for 2.05D *Medical Appeals.*

3.00 GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES The Regulations in 3.00 GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES shall apply to all USTA League Divisions (Adult and Mixed) as well as USTA Southern Combo and Tri-Level.

ADMINISTRATION.

A $100 filing fee will be required for all General/Sportsmanship, Championship and/or Administrative Grievance and Grievance Appeals that are heard at the USTA Louisiana state level. The filing fee will only be returned to the grieving party if a penalty is imposed. The filing fee will take effect on the date the Louisiana State Regulations are approved by the USTA Louisiana Executive Board.

3.01A(1) Local Grievance Committee Grievance committees will be chosen from the list of NWLACTA USTA League Players listed at end of these regulations. Additional members may be added as needed.

3.01B(1) Local Grievance Appeals Committee Grievance appeal committees will be chosen from the list of NWLACTA USTA League Players listed at end of these regulations. Additional members may be added as needed.

3.03 Grievance Complaints

3.03B(1) Local League Procedures All local grievances, appeals and NTRP complaints and appeals will be submitted in writing or by email to the local coordinator. See USTA National League Tennis Regulations 3.00 for procedures that must be followed to file local grievances, appeals and NTRP complaints. (see list of coordinators and email addresses below)

3.03E(4) NTRP Grievance Complaint. NTRP Grievances shall be filed in writing with the Local/District/Area League Coordinator or designee having jurisdiction. NTRP Grievances shall be administered by the USTA Southern NTRP Grievance Committee

2021 USTA Shreveport -Bossier League Committees:

NWLA Community Tennis Association www.nwlacta.com
Shreveport-Bossier Local League Administrator: Tammie Harris- Mixed, Rhonda Rubben-Adult and Combo
Shreveport-Bossier League Finance Administrator: John Liles
Coordinators
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Flex League Singles Coordinator Rhonda Terracciano /318-347-8052/jterracciano@yahoo.com
Tri Level Coordinator: Kirita Windham/ 318-560-1206 / kfwindham@gmail.com
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Combo Coordinator: Rhonda Rubben/ 318-423-3259 / rrubben8@gmail.com

Grieva**nce Committee Chair:** Danny Roemer

Grievance and Grievance Appeals Committees will be chosen from the following: Terri Bianca, Jay Boyd, Kaye Cochran, Bonnie Cox, Tammie Harris, Gary Killen, Todd Killen, Rachel Lawler, John Liles, Bob Patterson, Gary Procell, Christi Pylant, Anthony Spano, Grady Wilson

Local League Council Members: Tammie Harris, chair, Sue Allender, Bonnie Cox, Bob Patterson, Dede Plette, and Gary Procell.