

2022 National Invitational 55 & Over Mixed Doubles

April 21-23, 2023, Scottsdale, AZ

Fact Sheet

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Location: Scottsdale Ranch Park, Scottsdale, AZ

Dates: April 21-23

Tennislink: All teams must be set up in the 2022 Championship year; we are not able to move teams in from previous years or pull teams in from the 2023 Championship year. If you are hosting a sectional in early 2023 please make sure that you set it up in the 2022 Championship year.

Website: Information for this event will be posted up on our [website](#) as it becomes available.

Registration: Opens Jan 1, 2023

Format: Each team will play 4 un-flighted matches, the top 4 teams based on Tennislink Standings will move on to the semifinals on Sunday. Modifications may be made if there are less than 6 teams in a division.

Team Eligibility: A minimum of six (6) players who were on the final local roster must be available to compete at nationals. Teams are expected to come with enough qualified players to field all three courts for every Invitational match.

Minimum Match Requirement/Player Eligibility: A player is eligible to advance to the USTA Mixed 55 and Over National Invitational if that player has played on that same team in at least two (2) matches through section championships with one default received that may count for advancing. A retired match shall count for all players involved. All individual team members must be from the appropriate level of play in accordance with the NTRP system, players will play at the NTRP level that they were assigned/ played the 2022 Championship year at. Captains will receive a roster email for their team prior to their event with the NTRP ratings that each of the players are eligible to play at.

Individual Eligibility Waiver Requests: Individual Eligibility Waivers will not be accepted for the 2022 Mixed 55 and Over National Invitational. Players that do not meet the match requirements will not be eligible to participate in the National Invitational.

Team Waivers:

For sections that are unable to produce at least 2 teams in local league play for any division, the Tournament Committee will allow those sections to form and send one team each as a representative of that section. Waivers must be submitted by the SLC by the deadline. Deadline will be sent out to SLCs with appropriate forms by October 1st, 2022.

Players or teams interested in participating in the Mixed 55 and Over Team Waiver Program need to contact their SLC. Visit the [Mixed 55 and Over Invitational Website](#) to find your SLCs contact information. SLCs will submit the team captain's name and contact information to Matt Gleason (Tournament Director) and Brandon Buksbaum (USTA National Staff) by the deadline. Only teams submitted by a section's SLC will be considered for the Mixed 55 and Over Team Waiver Program. Sections that have more than 2 teams are strongly encouraged to continue to hold and support local play in order to determine a winner for advancement from their section. Local and sectional play is determined by each section's SLCs.

Any team coming via waiver must be comprised of at least 60% of at level players. For example, a team made up primarily of 4.0 players is not an at level 9.0 team. Teams that are receiving a waiver are limited to a maximum of 10 players.

For any team that will be advancing directly to the National League Invitational via team waiver with no local or sectional play, those teams may only have up to two (2) players from outside the section that they are representing at the National Invitational listed on their roster. A player's Section residency association will be based on the player's listed section on their USTA account and the National Invitational tournament committee will verify those player's section residencies.

Ratings

The USTA National Staff Representative will verify all player ratings and eligibility prior to the start of the Invitational once rosters have been received from the respective Section offices.

Accepted Rating Types:

Computer "C", "S" Self Rate and "A" Appealed are all accepted at this invitational.

The rating the player played at during the 2022 Championship Year/local season is the rating they must play at in this event.

Examples:

A player played during the 2022 Championship year as a 3.5 rated player. When YER were released they were moved up to a 4.0. The player will play at the Mixed 55 & Over National Invitational held in 2023 as a 3.5 rated player.

A player played during the 2022 Championship year as a 4.0 rated player. When YER were released, they were moved down to a 3.5. The player will play at the Mixed 55 & Over National Invitational held in 2023 as a 4.0 rated player.