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**Spring League Update And Schedule Publishing Notice**

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Bcc: All Spring League Captains

Hello Team Captains:

Please read this entire message. Check out our [Captains Guide](#) - found in our resources section of the [Captains' Corner page](#).

**Did it Rain?**

1. Get your match rescheduled within a week.
2. Play the match and enter scores by Last Match Deadline "LMD" see below.

**ALL TEAM MATCHES MUST BE PLAYED (majority of courts, not half)****Teams may not abandon their league after the drop deadline (which has passed)**

All \* 18 Men/Women/Mixed \* and \* 40 Men/Women/Mixed \* schedules are published.

All \* 55 Saturday \* schedules and the \* 65 Men 8.0 \* schedule will be published **by noon Tuesday the 13th.**

These schedules below will be published by the **end of the day today**.

55 Men 9.0 \* 65 Women 6.0 \* 65 Men 7.0 \* 65 Women 7.0 \* 65 Women 8.0 \* 70 Women 7.0

### **Schedules & Deadlines**

View your team schedule: [log in to tennislink](#), select your team under the "USTA League" tab, and scroll down to the "match Schedule" tab below your team name.

Fulfill your home facility requirements to solidify your court reservations within the next week. Your courts ARE NOT RESERVED until you do this.

- DO NOT PRINT the schedule. **Always check it in tennislink (not 3rd party sites.)** Start times may continue to be updated.
- All teams have between 8 and 12 team matches. Partial rounds are permitted per USTA National League Regulations.
- Schedules are crowded. You could see varied start dates within the same league, bye/skip day for some teams and not others, and match numbers/rounds listed "out of order."

### **Last Match Deadlines "LMD"**

18 & Over Women 3.5 - **April 11**

18 & Over Men 3.5 - **April 9**

18 & Over Women 4.0 AM - **April 4**

18 & Over Women 4.0 PM - **April 10**

18 & Over Men 4.0 - **April 15**

40 & Over Women 3.5 - **April 8**

**ALL OTHER LEAGUES - April 25**

**"R" INDICATED "OVERFLOW" MATCHES:** See the match schedule tab in the full TL website, not the app. An "R" means you have no home courts. Individual notifications will not be sent. Options:

- Reserve Alternate Courts - Home captain must notify JJ Witter and the visiting captain in writing at least 2 weeks before the original match date with all details. If these deadlines are not met, the visiting team has the option to host.
- Reschedule the Match - Home captain must notify the visiting captain at least 2 weeks prior to the original match date. The two captains must agree on a date and location and the match must be played by the last match deadline (listed above).

**Start Times** Any adjustments needed to start times, please notify JJ Witter and your opposing captain. To update a match start time please:

- 1. Make sure it is at least 2 weeks before the match, 2. Confirm the time change is permitted by regulations, 2. Clear it with your home facility director, 3. Last, notify your opposing captain and JJ Witter. ALL TWO OR MORE weeks in advance.
- **Staggered start times** are indicated in tennislink. Click and open the match to see how many courts play at which start time. Visiting captains declare to home captains 48 hours or more in advance which courts play earlier. If not declared 48 hours or more in advance, the home captain may declare.

### **Facilities & Captain Responsibilities**

#### **Hard Closing/Stop times:**

- It is the Home Captain's Responsibility to know if their facility requires a "hard stop" to a match. Home captain must inform the visiting captain prior to line-up exchange of hard stop time.
- Either Captain may declare to use Timed Match Rules for any courts in a team match (found in our Phoenix Regulations.) If either captain (or acting captain) chooses to use TMR, they must be used. If elected, TMR must be declared at time of (or prior to) line up exchange.

- If neither team elects to utilize “Timed Match Rules,” the visiting players of any incomplete courts must travel to the same facility for reschedule and match completion (or may decide to retire.)
- If the home Captain fails to inform visiting captain of hard closing time and “Timed Match Rules” options, the visiting team will choose the facility location for reschedule and match completion.

**Warm-up is not practice.** Players take their court at match start time and warm up with each other for 10 minutes maximum including serves. Facilities may, *but are not required to*, provide courts prior to match start time.

**Captains, players, and spectators** must follow facility rules and policies. Facility damage or destruction will NOT be tolerated and will be reported to police.

**Check the schedule online regularly.** Do not print the schedule. Start times could change as updates are made.

### **Team Advancement & Spring Playoffs**

- 18&O Women 3.5 - The one Day flight winning team and the one night flight winning team play on April 18th.
- 18&O Men 3.5 - Top 4 finishing teams play April 16th. Winners from April 16th play on April 23rd.
- 18&O Women 4.0 -
  - AM playoff - The one East flight winning team and the one north/central flight winning team play each other on April 10th.
  - PM playoff - The one East flight winning team and the one west flight winning team play each other on April 14th.
  - The AM playoff winning team and the PM playoff winning team play each other April 18th.
- 18&O Men 4.0 - Top 4 finishing teams play April 22nd. Winners play April 29th.

- 40&O Women 3.5 - The one Day flight winning team and the one night flight winning team play each other on April 11th.
- ALL OTHER LEAGUES - no playoff. The league winning team advances to District Championships.

Winning League team advances to the District Championships on May 2nd, 3rd, or 9th. Details to be published by mid April.

Save the Date!

**Tri Level Tournament**

**Scottsdale Ranch Park**

**April 24-26.**

More information will be available on our [captains corner page](#) in February.

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