

To Captains of ALL TEAMS attending Sectionals, as advancing or as wildcard:

- 18 & Over Adult (**Albuquerque, AUG 9-11, 2024**)
- 55 & Over Adult (**Surprise, SEPT 13-15, 2024**)
- Mixed Doubles (**Tucson, SEPT 26-29, 2024**)

You have an important decision to make regarding the fall 2025 ES league season *without knowing the results of 2024 Sectionals*.

***How will you be prepared to comply with move up OR split up? (2.06 of National Regulations.)***

Your options for the fall season are:

- A. Keep players together and **move team to different age category** (if player eligible).
- B. Keep players together and **move team up one level**. If chosen, the 60% at level rule will be waived for the fall season. (The 4.5 men and women may have difficulty with this option, as the 5.0 leagues typically only play in the spring, when the league forms.)
- C. Keep only 3 players maximum together at the same age/level and **recruit other (non-nationally qualified) players to complete your team** and continue throughout the fall season.
  - **Teams are NOT permitted to withdraw from the fall season (or change age or level) after the deadline NOON AUG 1st for the 18&O Adult and All mixed leagues.**
  - **This deadline is NOON SEPT 2nd for the 55 & Over Adult leagues.**
- D. Sit out the fall season and regroup for the spring season (if your team does not win Sectionals)

I recommend option A, B or D.

**18 & Over AND 55 & Over Adult Captains:** If you choose "C" – 3 players is the maximum you may have on your fall team through Sectionals. If your team doesn't win sectionals (or advance to nationals in another team's place) then you may add more players from your 2024 advancing team after Sectional Championships. This will allow us to avoid refund/credit situations.

**Mixed Doubles Captains:** IF you choose "C" - Only play a maximum of 3 players from your 2024 advancing team this fall prior to Sept 30<sup>th</sup>. You will likely play multiple fall matches prior to 2024 Sectionals. If you do not follow this, you will risk me having to "freeze" players (beyond the 3 permitted,) should your 2024 team win sectionals. Any player (beyond the 3) who has played in a fall match for your team will not be able to join any other fall team, nor will they receive a credit/refund.

If you are worried about shoring up a fall team at the same age and level (if your 2024 team wins Sectionals) - I recommend NOT choosing "C."

**Move Up or Split Up requirement only applies to:**

- **teams that win Sectionals**
- **teams that advance to Nationals in another team's place**