Skyline 2022 Adult Tennis League Guidelines

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Participation in interclub leagues is a great opportunity for members to socialize and play tennis at any level. Skyline is known throughout the area for high-quality play, sportsmanship and unsurpassed hospitality. Thank you for being an important part of our tennis community.

2022 Deadlines

A master schedule for all 2022 leagues and days of week schedule are <u>available here</u>. You can find the league start dates and deadlines <u>here</u>. All captains and members should note and meet/beat the appropriate deadlines. Skyline registration deadlines will generally be 10 days earlier than the USTA deadline. Missing a registration may result in not playing that season.

Tennis Communication

Skyline maintains a variety of email distribution lists for things including adult tennis, junior tennis, swimming and more. Members can update their email preferences for mailing lists on the homepage of Skyline's website.

Registration Process for 2022

Registration for leagues will open on 2/3/22 for TRIO and USTA 18+ Mixed adult leagues.

All other leagues will be opened one month prior to Skyline deadlines in order to give new members time to get familiar with the Skyline Tennis Program.

Availability for many leagues is limited by our court capacity. If a team or level is maxed out, it will be filled based on the date people registered, so members are encouraged to register when leagues open. Paid Skyline dues and an active USTA membership that runs through the duration of a season are required to register for any league. Priority for filling rosters is based on:

- 1. Current and new members playing at NTRP level
- 2. Players on membership waitlist playing at NTRP level (Note: the guest fee is 1.5x the Skyline member fee)
 - a. This does not apply to male Skyline members rated at NTRP 2.5. They will get priority to play on the Skyline Men's 3.0 teams before male NTRP 3.0 players on the waitlist
- 3. Current and new members playing up one NTRP level (no more than 25% of roster can play up)
- 4. Non members playing at level needed to reach roster minimum (Note: the guest fee is 1.5x the Skyline member fee)

If a member wants to play up one NTRP level, they must make it known to a Tennis Committee member and the Captain of the team they wish to play on. Member must also have Andrew Green's approval. It is then up to the Captain if they have room on their roster and the addition will maintain a competitive balance. It is also expected that the Captain of the team you would be potentially leaving is not left in a position where the team would be short players.

Registration will again be a two-step process. Members first register via Skyline CASA. Captains will receive notification regarding players registered and will then notify their team members of the team number for USTA registration. Players must register and pay both fees to participate. Players should not share USTA team numbers with other members so team size can be effectively managed.

Roster Size

Skyline teams will be formed under the following guidelines for roster size minimums and maximums:

- 3-line leagues 6-player minimum; 10-player maximum
- 4-line league (USTA 40+ league has changed for 2021 to 3 doubles lines and 1 singles line) 7 player minimum; 11-player maximum
 5-line leagues 10-player minimum; 16-player maximum
 3-line mixed doubles leagues 6-player minimum; 12-player maximum
- The tennis committee will coordinate with captains at least one week in advance of the deadline to confirm appropriate team sizes. Captains are encouraged to have their players register early for each season.

Court Capacity & Scheduling

The tennis committee will distribute a Facilities Report to captains for each season once USTA publishes schedules. There will be times when Skyline will have more home matches scheduled than there are courts available. In that event, each home team will receive a pro-rated share of the courts and will need to coordinate with their opponents and other captains to play matches offsite or stagger matches to earlier or later times. Skyline will try and reserve additional, off-site courts as needed, but such courts are not always available.

Per USTA guidelines, all matches are considered forfeits if not completed on the scheduled date for reasons other than weather/darkness. Upon request, Skyline courts can be reserved on Fridays from 5 - 8 pm for weather-related league makeup matches. Members can also use CASA to schedule available court time for makeups.

Captain's Meeting

A meeting for all 2022 league captains will be held on Wednesday, February 2, 2021 at 7:00 pm via Zoom. If you are interested in captaining a team and have not yet expressed that interest, contact Amy Raval at tennis@skylineacres.org.

League Balls

Captains can obtain their league balls prior to the start of each season from the tennis Pro staff. Please collect all used balls after matches and return them to the Tennis Office using the window slot on the north side.

Post-Match Socializing

The post-match social is one thing that makes Skyline a favorite of both our members and our opponents. Please remember to clean up all courts as well as the picnic areas when your day/night is finished.

Skyline Contacts

Should you have questions regarding leagues that your team captain cannot answer, the following people are available to you:

Director of Tennis

Andrew Green

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