

2007 Louisiana Super Senior Local/State Championships Regulations
October 5-7, 2007
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ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

1. A minimum of 1 team match must be played locally at State Tournament
2. Team members are eligible to advance to championship level competition if that player has played on that same team in at least one match at the local/state tournament. A default received by the player during local competition shall count for advancing.
3. \$210.00 Team Registration Entry Fee must be paid on or before Sept 21, 2007 which covers the six (6) member team minimum. Additional TennisLink registered players may be paid for at the Tournament Team Registration Check-In Site. **CHECKS ONLY AT CHECK-IN—NO CASH**
4. Checks must be made out to USTA Louisiana and mailed to 5709 Flagler Street, Metairie, LA. 70003 and received on or before Sept 21, 2007. Note attached to check should list Captain's name, Team Name, Team #, and Level + Age covered by check.
5. 6 eligible team members are available to play
6. USTA membership current through October, 2007

CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE: The 2007 Louisiana Super Senior Local/State Championship Committee members are as follows:

Barbara Johnson (Tournament Director), Carrie Kimball (Tournament Referee), Dale Bibee, Pat Bibee, and Bruce Weaver.

PLAYER AGREEMENT: All players participating in the USTA League Tennis Program, as a condition of their participation, agree to abide and be bound by the USTA Constitution and By-laws, USTA League Tennis Regulations, the Rules of Tennis (unless modified by these USTA League Tennis Regulations); the USTA League Tennis Regulations and the standards of good conduct, fair play and good sportsmanship (N1.12)

TOURNAMENT FEE: The 2007 state tournament fee is \$35.00 per player. Additional players not covered in the \$210.00 (6 players) Registration Fee must be paid before the first scheduled team match. Team captains shall submit one check made payable to USTA Louisiana.

TEAM CHECK-IN: Team captains are required to register their team at the tournament headquarters prior to their first match. Please check in on **Thursday, October 4th from 5-8 pm at Hampton Inn, 56460 Frank Pichon Rd. Check in on Friday is from 7 am--4 pm at Cross Gates Athletic Club, 200 N. Military Rd. Slidell, LA 70461**

TEAM MATCH SCHEDULE: Team captains are responsible for confirming their next match time and locations with the site director after each and every team match.

MATCH WARM-UP: A ten (10) minute warm up will be observed with a fifteen (15) minute default. Lateness penalties will be assessed as outlined in Friend at Court.

SCORING & REST: Matches will be best of two tie-break sets with a set tie-break at 6-all (1st to 7 winning by a margin of 2). In the event of split sets, a match tie-break (1st to 10 by a margin of 2) shall be played in lieu of a third set with the two minutes set break with no coaching allowed. The championship committee may authorize alternate scoring at any time during the tournament to complete team matches.N6.03C

COMPETITION FORMAT: Round robin format shall be used for the tournament until the championship committee authorizes a format change in order to complete scheduled matches. The team with the most team points shall be the champion. If flights (divisions) are used, a playoff will be scheduled to determine the state champions. A team point will be awarded to the team who wins the majority of the individual team matches. N3.03D. The procedures outlined in the National regulations (3.03I) will be followed in the event of a tie; winner of most individual matches, loser of fewest set, loser of fewest game, winner of head-to-head or *coin toss*.

SUBSTITUTIONS: No substitutions may be made in an individual match after the lineups has been presented, except for injury to, illness of, or disqualification of a player, prior to the start of such match, and except under such further circumstances as the *championships committee may authorize*. N6.03G
Super Seniors playing their local league at state: Substitutions may be made in the event of illness, injury, disqualification or no-show of a player prior to the start of an individual match (once the lineup has been exchanged). A team may substitute a player in the affected position within the 15-minute default time, using a layer

not already listed on the lineup. If no such substitution can be made; the affected position only will be forfeited in local league. 3.01H (4) a

TEAM DEFAULTS: A minimum of six (6) team members who were on the final roster of their local league team must be available and eligible to compete. The Championship Tournament Committee, by majority vote, can reduce that number to not less than four (N6.03A(4))

A team may default a maximum of one position in a match without defaulting the entire match. Said position shall be the lower doubles courts (N6.03L)

If a team defaults an entire team match for any reason during round robin play, than all matches of that team played or to be played shall be null and void. If all teams in contention for the Championships have already played the defaulting team in good faith, the matches stand as played. The Tournament Committee (S6.03M) may impose further sanctions or penalties on said team. (N6.03M)

All National USTA League Tennis regulations must be met for local league competition:

A minimum of 3 team matches must be played N6.01H (1)

A player is eligible to advance to championship level competition if that player has played on that same team in at least one match during its local /state tournament. A default received by the player during local competition shall count for advancing. N 3.03A (2)

6.03A(3) A player is eligible to advance to national championship competition if that player has played on that same team in at least two (2) matches through section championships. A maximum of one defaulted match received shall count for advancing. A retired match shall count for all players involved. (See N 3.03.)

Team members may be added through Thursday, October 4, 2007.

CELLULAR PHONES: The tournament referee has banned the use of cell phones during tournament matches. Players must turn off their cell phones prior to the start of their match. Cell phone rings during a match will result in a point penalty for the first offense, a game penalty for the second offense and a default for the third offense.

SELF-RATE NTRP GRIEVANCES filed after October 4, 2007 against anyone participating in the LA State Championships will be administered after the state championships unless the USTA Southern Sectional Adult League Committee Chair, Vice-Chair and Sectional League Coordinator authorize the administration of the grievance prior to that time. If the grievance is not administered until after the State Championships, points won by players will stand. Disqualified players and/or captains that are suspended will not be eligible to advance to the Sectional Championships.

GRIEVANCE & APPEALS COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Dale Bibee will serve as the tournament committee grievance chairman and Referee Carrie Kimball will serve as the tournament committee appeals chairman.