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## **2024 USTA Jr. Team Tennis Ohio Valley District Championship Columbus, OH July 13-14, 2024: The Racquet Club of Columbus**

Juniors wishing to participate in USTA Junior Team Tennis throughout the USTA/Ohio Valley District will have an opportunity to participate in the *2023 USTA Junior Team Tennis Ohio Valley District Championships, July 13-14, 2024*.

**Registration for team commitments will open June 6th, at 12:00 P.M.**

<https://form.jotform.com/231105677685159>

The deadline for team commitments will be noon, June 21, 2024, or until the maximum number of teams in that division is full.

- **Each age division will be limited to a maximum of 8 teams.** The first 8 teams to register in a division, with a Safe Play compliant coach, will be accepted in the tournament. Here is the link to become Safe Play Compliant [USTA Safe Play | Safety in Tennis | USTA.com](#). Once the 8 team limit is reached in a division, teams will be added to a wait list.
- **Each team must have their own coach.** No coach may coach multiple teams.
- **Team numbers** will be emailed to the coach after registration closes. The coach will then be able to register the team.
- **Teams and players must be registered on TennisLink** for the event by noon, June 28, 2024, for entry into the District Championship. Entry fee will be \$35.00 per payer plus TennisLink fees.

### **Team Makeup:**

- Teams for the OV District Championship must consist of a minimum of three boys and three girls in the 14U and 18U divisions.
- In the 12U division, teams must have a minimum of two boys and two girls.
- For the 10U green ball division, teams must have a minimum of four players (Gender Neutral).

If a team falls short of a boy or a girl after starting the event, they will be required to forfeit the singles match for that gender. A team may not start the tournament if they are below the required minimum.

### **Player Registration/Eligibility:**

All participants in the USTA/Ohio Valley District Championship must be registered on TennisLink for USTA Jr. Team Tennis. To be eligible, a player must be registered by noon, June 28, 2024.

**Age:** The cutoff date for age eligibility is August 31, 2024.

### **Player Ratings and Divisions:**

For 2023, the district championship will use the World Tennis Number (WTN) for player ratings to determine the intermediate and advanced division levels. These rating bands are for the 14U and 18U divisions only: The 12U and 10U green ball divisions will not use ratings.

- 14U Intermediate Division WTN:  
Players must have a WTN between 40.0 and 28.0
- 14U Advanced Division WTN:  
Players may have a WTN between 40.0 and 1.0
- 18U Intermediate Division WTN:  
Players must have a WTN between 40.0 and 25.0
- 18U Advanced Division WTN:  
Players may have a WTN between 40.0 and 1.0

### **Ranking Points:**

With the recent elimination of JTT nationals, all levels of JTT events have lost the ability to offer ranking points based on tournament regulations. This applies to Section and District Championships. USTA National and Section staff around the country are in talks on how to allow ranking point for the Section event only.

### **Match Format 14's and 18's:**

- Matches will consist of one set of no-ad scoring. A 12-point tiebreaker will be played at 5 games all. The total number of games won by each team will decide the overall match winner. If the total number of games won results in a tie, a 12-point tiebreaker will be played by a mixed doubles team. The mixed doubles team may be any two players, one boy and one girl, from each team. This 12-point tiebreaker will count as one game and decide the overall match winner.
- Each team match will use two courts. Matches will start with girls' and boys' doubles, followed by girls' and boys' singles, and then finish with one mixed doubles match. A total of 5 matches. **(Only one girl & one boy may play two matches within a team match. The two players playing twice must play singles and mixed or doubles and mixed.)**

### **Match Format 12's:**

- Matches will consist of one 6 game set of no-ad scoring. A 12-point tiebreaker will be played at 5 games all. The total number of games won by each team will decide the overall match winner. If the total number of games won results in a tie, a 12-point tiebreaker will be played by a mixed doubles team. The mixed doubles team may be any two players, one boy and one girl, from each team. This 12-point tiebreaker will count as one game and decide the overall match winner.
- Each team match will use two courts. Matches will start with girls' and boys' doubles, followed girls' and boys' singles, and then finish with one mixed doubles match – a total of 5 matches. **(A boy and girl may play in all 3 match lines within a team match due to team minimum requirements of only 2 boys and 2 girls.)**

### **Match Format 10's Green**

Matches will consist of one six game set. A 12-point tiebreaker will be played at 5 games all. The total number of games won by each team will decide the overall match winner. If the total number of games results in a tie, a 12-point tiebreaker will be played by a gender-neutral doubles team. The doubles team may be any two players from the team. This 12-point tiebreaker will decide the overall match winner.

- Each team will use two courts. Matches will start with (2) gender neutral singles, followed by (2) additional gender-neutral singles and finish with (1) gender neutral doubles. A total of 5 matches. **\*Note, a player can only play 1 singles match within a team match.**

### **Pre-Tournament Zoom Call:**

A coach's informational Zoom Call will take place on Thursday, July 11, 2024, at 12:00 P.M. and 7:00 P.M. It is mandatory for the coach of each team to be on at least one of these calls. Zoom details will be sent out to coaches closer to the meeting date.

### **Awards:**

Awards will be presented to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place teams. A sportsmanship pin will be presented to one player from each team per every team match including the playoffs. A T-shirt will be given to each participant.

### **Tournament Schedule:**

The tournament schedule will be available on TennisLink, July 10, 2024, at 6:00 P.M. Once the schedule has been posted, it cannot be changed.

### **JTT USTA/Midwest Section Championship**

The USTA/Midwest Section Jr. Team Tennis Championship for the 10U Green Ball, 12U, 14U Advanced and Intermediate and 18U Advanced and Intermediate Divisions, will be held at North Central High School, Indianapolis, IN, on July 26-28, 2024