# General & Experienced Player Guidelines — Supplement to the NTRP Guidelines

## 6.0 - 7.0
- A ranking in the top 1000 in the ATP or WTA in the last five years
- A former World Class player ranked in the top 400 in the ATP or WTA more than five years ago
- A world class ranking outside the top 1000 in the ATP or WTA in the last five years

## 5.5
- Age 35 and under
- Age 36 - 45
- Age 46 to 55
- Age 56 and over

## 5.0
- Any Age

## 4.5
- Age 25 and under (Men)
- Age 25 and under (Women)
- Age 26 - 35 (Men)
- Age 26 - 35 (Women)
- Age 36 - 50 (Men)
- Age 36 - 50 (Women)
- Age 51 and over (Men)

## 4.0
- Age 25 and under (Men)
- Age 25 and under (Women)
- Age 26 - 40 (Men)
- Age 41 - 50 (Men)
- Age 41 and over (Women)
- Age 51 and over (Men)

## 3.5
- Age 35 and under
- Age 36 - 45
- Age 46 to 55
- Age 56 and over

## 3.0
- Age 30 and under
- Age 31 to 40
- Age 41 to 50
- Age 51 and over

## 2.5
- Age 25 and under (Men)
- Age 25 and under (Women)
- Age 31 to 40
- Age 41 to 50
- Age 51 and over

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### Phillips Tennis Centers

- **Tennis on Campus player (USTA sponsored program started in 2000)**
  - Men who played one or more matches at Nat’l Championships
  - Women who played one or more matches at Nat’l Championships; Men who played one or more matches at Sectional Championships
  - Women who played in TOC program

- **High School Players**
  - Advanced to state championship semi-finals or finals in singles or doubles
  - Normally play in the starting lineup of the varsity team
  - Normally play on the junior varsity/practice team or outside the starting lineup of the varsity team

- **Recreational Tennis Players**
  - Currently playing tennis 4 or more times per week
  - Currently playing 3 times per week
  - Currently playing 2 or less times per week

- **Players new to tennis who have had competitive experience in other sports should consider the rapid improvement anticipated and not rate below 3.0**

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**NOTES:**
For more details concerning specific playing characteristics, see NTRP Specific Characteristics on www.usta.com/league. All assigned ratings may be immediately appealed electronically on TennisLink. Individuals with expired NTRP ratings will be limited to their last published rating. Players in wheelchairs should use these same General Characteristics to determine their NTRP skill level. The only difference observed is mobility and power on the serve based on the severity of the injury. The very best World Class players in wheelchairs have an NTRP rating in the low 4.5 range.

The USTA League Committee has approved these guidelines as a tool for accurate self-rating and NTRP Self-rate Grievance decisions. These guidelines will be available to players and captains and will be considered fair warning to players and captains who commit or condone futures self rating abuses. USTA League Grievance Committees may suspend captains for condoning self rating abuses. Grievance Committees have the authority to dismiss complaints when they deem appropriate. The USTA League Committee asks all players, captains, coordinators, tennis professionals and volunteers to join the campaign to maintain the integrity of the NTRP Rating System. Current and past college team rankings for Div. I, Div. II, Div. III, NAIA and Junior Colleges may be found at www.itatennis.com. Updated: February 2015