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## 2014 USTA National Women's Intersectional Team Event

### **PROCEDURES FOR Women's and Men's INTERSECTIONAL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS**

All USTA Sections are eligible to field a team in each age division as follows: 35s, 45s, 55s, 65s, 75s, and 80s.

These events will count for USTA National ranking purposes. Players shall earn Ranking Points in National Ranking tournaments based on a Points Per Round ranking system. This information is published on the USTA website.

#### **National Intersectional Team Event Points Table as of January 29, 2009.**

<i>Total Maximum Points Possible</i>	<i>Position Played</i>	<i>Points earned per win at Intersectionals</i>	A player can only accumulate the maximum number of points possible for that position. If a player played in different positions he would receive the corresponding points for that position. E.g., a player who wins two rounds at #1 and two rounds at #2 would receive 166 + 166 + 133 + 35 points. There is an additional limitation—although a player's results in multiple divisions may provide a total greater than the maximum number of points for the lowest division a player plays, a player's results in different divisions may not be combined to earn more than the maximum number of points allowed in the highest division the player played.
500	#1	166	
400	#2	133	
300	#3	100	
175	#4	75	

### **TEAM SELECTION**

Each USTA Section shall have the sole responsibility for selecting team members by whatever criteria it deems appropriate. **Players must be members of the USTA through the Section for which they play.** Sections are strongly encouraged to have written selection procedures.

### **TEAM FORMATS**

**75s: 2 singles and 1 doubles – a maximum of 5 players per age division team**

**80s: 1 singles and 2 doubles – a maximum of 5 players per age division team**

**35s, 45s, 55s, 65s: 3 singles and 2 doubles – a maximum of 7 players per age division team**

- Players may compete in both singles and doubles. A player may play in two different age divisions if eligible, but may play in only one age division in singles and only one age division in doubles **on the same day.**
- Furthermore, a player may compete in two different age divisions if eligible, under the following team-listing constraints:
  - For divisions with format of 3 singles/2 doubles (35-65), the top 3 singles players cannot be double-rostered.
  - For the division with format of 2 singles/1doubles (75), the top 2 singles players cannot be double-rostered.
  - For the division with format of 1 singles/2 doubles (80's) the top singles player cannot be double-rostered.



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### **TEAM CAPTAINS**

The sections must designate captains before the competition begins. Captain must attend the on-site Captains' Meetings. The Captain may be a playing captain or a non-playing captain. An individual may captain more than one age group.

### **COMPETITION FORMAT**

The competition in each age category may be a compass draw, a modified compass draw, or a round robin. The tournament committee will determine which format to use, so that each team will play a minimum of three team matches.

A team member will not be required to play more than the number of matches per day allowed for his/her age division according to the regulations for USTA Adult and Senior National Championships. In general, this means a team will play only one (1) team match per day. The referee can alter this if she/he determines that the event cannot be completed on time because of weather delays or other unforeseen circumstances.

**Scoring:** One point for each court win. The team with the majority of the points shall be the winner of the Team Match. All matches will be played even if a team winner has been established (time, weather, and courts permitting). A winner or "champion" team will be determined in each age category. If an overall sectional winner is to be determined, the captains will vote for one of the two following options

Option one: The section with the greatest number of **individual** matches won throughout the entire competition will be named the overall sectional winner.

Option two: The section with the greatest number of **team** matches won throughout the entire competition will be named the overall sectional winner.

- Note:**
- 1) Team(s) receiving a bye will receive the average number of individual points won that they have earned in the entire competition (for the bye round)
  - 2) In the event a team defaults an entire team match, the opposing team will receive 5 individual points (35s, 45s, 55s, 65s) or 3 points (75s, 80s)

### **LINE-UP AND DRAW**

A roster shall be submitted by the section for each team in each age category represented. Players must be listed in order of strength as singles players. All team members shall be listed on the singles roster even if they plan to play only doubles.

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**Seeding:** A seeding committee will determine preliminary seeding prior to the captains' meeting. All current player information (significant wins, losses, rankings) must be submitted to the tournament committee with the player information sheets in order to formulate preliminary seeding. Any questions concerning seeding will be resolved prior to the making of the draw. One team in four will be seeded; however, in an age category where there are 12 or more teams, four seeds will be allowed.

**Substitutions:** A substitution in the daily singles line-up may be made at the discretion of the captain. A substitute must be placed in accordance with the team rosters' order of strength.

#### **Doubles Teams**

Doubles teams are formatted at the discretion of the team captain, but **must** be set up in order of strength. The tournament committee has the right to review questionable doubles combinations and take appropriate action.

#### **Daily Line-ups**

The time frame for turning in the daily singles line-ups shall be determined by the referee and announced at the Captains' meeting. Doubles line-ups do not have to be turned in until 15 minutes after the last singles match has been completed for that particular team match.

**TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE AND REFEREES MAY ISSUE APPROPRIATE PROCEDURAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR EACH SPECIFIC EVENT.**

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*Adopted by the USTA Intersectional Subcommittee in accordance with USTA Tournament Regulations May, 1997, V.C.*



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## UNITED STATES TENNIS ASSOCIATION

### 2014 USTA NATIONAL WOMEN'S INTERSECTIONAL TEAM EVENT

McFARLIN Tennis Center ♦ San Antonio, Texas

#### REFEREE'S NOTES

1. **FORMAT:** USTA Rules and Regulations govern all play.
2. **COMPETITION:** Best of 3 tiebreak sets with regular scoring. **The Coman Tiebreak Procedure will be used in all matches.** Default time will be 15 minutes. It is always the player's responsibility to find out the time of her match. The referee can switch to alternate scoring systems in order to complete the tournament if necessitated by inclement weather.
3. **TEAM CAPTAINS:** Meeting daily at 6:00 p.m. (if necessary) and if different time is not posted.
4. **HOST CAPTAINS:** The Captain of the team listed on the left side of the line up sheet will be the Host Captain responsible for administration of the new and used balls and for general court tidiness throughout the daily team competitions.
5. **COURT USAGE:** There are several days where court usage is at the maximum. Therefore, the winner(s) of each match is responsible for reporting the score and returning the balls within 10 minutes of the conclusion of the match. The next match scheduled for that court must be ready to play as soon as the court has been cleared.
6. **DRAWS:** To be conducted publicly at the Captains' meeting on Sunday, November 9, for 55's and 65's; on Monday, November 10 for 75's and 80's; and on Wednesday, November 12, for 35's and 45's with all team Captains present. Up to four teams may be seeded in a 12 team (or more) entry.
7. **WARM-UPS:** Will be limited to 5 minutes at the beginning of a scheduled match. Should play be suspended, re-warm-up will be permitted as described below:
  - less than 10 minutes - **None**
  - more than 10 minutes - **Full 5 minutes**
8. **REST PERIOD BETWEEN MATCHES:** There will be a minimum thirty minutes between a singles and a doubles match. **NOTE:** Players playing in two age divisions waive their rights to the authorized rest periods whenever matches are scheduled in two different age divisions.
9. **REST PERIOD DURING MATCH:** A ten-minute intermission is authorized between the second and third sets at the request of any player.

10. **COACHING:** Rule 31 applies. Coaching is allowed from a Captain or designated appointee who is sitting on the court only when the player(s) change ends at the end of a game, but not on end changes during a tie-break. Coaching may be given during an authorized rest period. Coaching is not allowed during a toilet break, accidental injury timeout, while seeking a referee, or during warm-up.
11. **CELL PHONES:** In a sanctioned event, the referee may ban cell phones; therefore, players' and coaches' cell phones must be turned off during the match. **Consider this an official posting of a notice of "no cell phones"**. If your cell phone goes off anytime during the match, then your opponent may claim the point due to hindrance.
12. **WATER:** Water may not be available on each court at each of the facilities being used for the tournament; therefore, all players must be prepared and bring water to the court at the beginning of their matches.
13. **ATTIRE:** Players must wear correct tennis attire. The Referee shall be the sole arbitrator as to the suitability of tennis attire, including shoes, worn by participants.
14. **MEDICAL TIME-OUT:** Medical time-out includes, but is not limited to, an injury, illness, and heat related condition or cramping. Medical time-outs consist of evaluation time as determined by the referee plus a maximum of three minutes treatment time. Only one medical time-out shall be permitted for heat related conditions and cramping in any match, even if the heat related condition or cramping occurs in different parts of the body.
15. **UNUSUAL CONDITIONS:** The Referee may authorize play utilizing artificial lights or transfer play to other courts should this become necessary, in the Referee's opinion, to complete the competition.
16. **COMPETITION TERMINATION:** If one team is clearly the winner, irrespective of subsequent results, that team competition may be ended by agreement between the Referee and both Captains.