

TCT CAPTAIN MEETING  
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**TIPS FOR A SUCCESSFUL SEASON**

- Be Organized! Use a chart or a spreadsheet with all your team members and matches where you can record availability from each one. It will make easier to visualize who is available for each match.
- Ask for availability to all players at least 5 days before the match.
- Set clear expectations. With a large team each player should expect to play about half of the matches or less.
- Give every team member an opportunity to play. We had had complaints of people who were never asked to play even if they paid their dues. We don't issue refunds.
- Flight winners are determined by points, not by number of matches won. Some teams tend to give up at the end when they could have been very close to the top 2 of the flight!

**Communication:**

Captains: Take care to communicate clearly to your players when and where the match is to be played. Record scores promptly and accurately.

Players: Give your captain prompt replies. Be prepared.

Both: Show a commitment to your team and to our organization by trying hard to limit defaults. Everyone signs up for TCT because they want to play. Be fair. And be nice.

**>>>> Remember, TCT is not a vehicle that affects your USTA rating. Your award at the end of the year is NOT a silver trophy!! TCT is all about forging friendships and FUN with tennis players in the Tulsa area. <<<<<**

*We have a new rule for this season, which applies only to Adult Women.*

*Due to the inordinately large number of 5.0 and 5.5s to play in Flight 1 in 2016, we have had to subdivide The 5.0+s to another Flight. We call this "Flight 1 Open." The next flight down will be Flight 2.*

Flight 1 Open will be composed only of teams with a 5.0 or higher rated player. (To clarify: All players rated at any level may play on a Flight 1 Open team as long as there is at least one 5.0+ player on that team.) A 5.0, or higher rated player, may not play in any other Women's Flight. The minimum number of players for this Flight is 8, and maximum is 16. This flight will play only 3 lines per match.

We are continuing the Handicap System for teams. If the total NTRP difference in any line match is 1 point or more, (example 6.0 vs 7.0 or more) the handicap system may be used.

You can find the rules for this system in the TCT Directory and in the Rules tab of our website.

## **SCORING**

1. Line One will receive one (1) point for each set won, plus four (4) points to the team winning the line.
2. Line Two will receive one (1) point for each set won, plus three (3) points to the team winning the line.
3. Line Three will receive one (1) point for each set won, plus two (2) points to the team winning the line.
4. Line Four will receive one (1) point for each set won, plus one (1) point to the team winning the line.
5. Seniors, Flight 1 Open, and Mixed Doubles will score 4-3-2 only
6. If you need to forfeit a line...it's always line 1 and down.

**Either captain (or his/her representative) should record the scores online at [tulsatct.com](http://tulsatct.com) within five (5) days of the completion of the match. Failure to do so can lead to a double default on all courts..**

**CAPTAINS' RESPONSIBILITIES** ~ Please read these online in the Rules Section of our website or directory.

## **RE-SCHEDULED MATCHES**

NO MATCHES ARE TO BE RESCHEDULED UNLESS POSTPONED BECAUSE OF RAIN OR A HEAT ADVISORY ISSUED BY THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE. *Exception: if a team you are playing has advanced to USTA Districts/Sectionals/Nationals and one of those USTA matches is scheduled, and they do not have enough TCT players available for the lineup, be gracious and re-schedule.*

**Contact your Flight Coordinator either by phone, text or email within two days of the originally scheduled date, and complete the makeup match within two weeks.**

*TCT does not offer refunds for any reason.*

## **IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2017**

**Team registration closes: 6/12/17**

**Player sign-up: 6/13-6/30 (\$16/team)**

**Flighting published on website: 7/4**

**May sign up for second teams\*: 7/5-7/22**

**\*certain rules apply**

**Between 7/23-8/31, new players may be added but will be charged a double fee (\$32/team)**

**First Match 8/5**

**Banquet: 11/09/2017. Noah's Event Center, 12710 St. Farm Blvd., Tulsa, OK 74146**