



PACIFIC NORTHWEST

Northern Oregon

Guideline for Rescheduling Matches

Effective: 2011 Season

To all captains:

The goal of the USTA leagues is to promote the play of tennis. In June 2009, the Pacific Northwest Section added additional sanctions for Total Team Defaults. Teams that default an entire team match will be subject to grievance filed by the Section. Therefore, it is our goal that no team defaults an entire match. We encourage everyone to be as flexible as they can with reschedules.

An ideal solution for a reschedule at any time during the season is for both captains to agree upon an alternate date and time or arrangement to play their match, and no further attention is required.

Match Reschedule Guidelines:

When a captain is unable to field a team for a match, (2 out of 3 courts for Mixed, Sr. Mixed, Seniors and Super Seniors, 3 out of 5 courts for Adult League) then rescheduling the match is an option.

Because your star player is not available is not a reason to ask for a reschedule.

1. From the date the schedules are released for a two week period, captains will be given an "Automatic" grace period. Both captains will be responsible for checking the dates and times of all their matches and notifying the opposing captain **and** league coordinator of any rescheduling requests. **The new date will be mutually beneficial for both teams. If there is any problem contact your league coordinator immediately.**
2. After the grace period has expired, the team being asked for a reschedule can either:
 - Offer an alternate viable date and time for the reschedule. Viable meaning the court time is available; the opposing team is not already playing that same day, not on a holiday, and not during another USTA event related to the area unless otherwise agreed upon. You may present more than one alternate date but you are not obligated to do so. **Keep in mind that many clubs have limited the court times available for USTA play or have a "No Reschedule Policy".**
 - Or
 - Deny the request.

The team requesting a reschedule:

- Must either comply with the new date and times offered to them, or play at the originally scheduled time.
- Will be responsible for any court costs that may be incurred from the reschedule. **Some clubs are charging additional fees for rescheduled matches.**

Senior Mixed Doubles can be played either indoors or outdoors. Therefore inclement weather is a valid reason to reschedule.

Reminder to Captains: Players can be added to your rosters up until your last 2 matches of the season.

The above procedure does not apply when there is a club/facility conflict. In this event, the facility will inform the league coordinator and home team captain. Both teams must comply with the reschedule. Any agreement worked out between the 2 captains, club/facility, and coordinator for a new date and time is acceptable. If there is no agreement between the captains, the league coordinator will select the new date and time for the match.

For any other issues not covered above, refer to the 2011 National Regulations and 2011 PNW Rules and Regulations