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2022 COMPETITIVE PLAY ***TENNIS WEST***



AGENDA

1. Key Dates
2. Team Nomination
3. Reserves and Qualification
4. Club Environment
5. Juniors
6. UTR's and Tennis Accounts
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KEY DATE

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| ➤ Team Nominations Close | Friday 1 April 2022 |
| ➤ Grading(1)/Appeals/Final Grading | 4 - 14 April 2022 |
| ➤ Fixture Release | Tuesday 19 April 2022 |
| ➤ Rounds commence | Saturday 30 April 2022 |

PRINCIPLES

FUN - Level-based play for player retention

PLAN – Covid aware 3 player teams, sustainably sized

SUPPORT – Your teams need you. Your club thanks you.

CLUB – Efficient use of available courts



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ENTERING TEAMS



LEAGUE MANAGER OR MATCH CENTRE OPTIONS

League Manager – Club nomination

Match Centre – Team self-nomination and payment

Team Name – club, league, captain protocol

Facility & Surface – required for fixture accuracy

Base Players – all nominated players (reserves added during the season)

Comments – **IMPORTANT** information for unrated players and juniors colour coded. Single or All gender preference

Player Search – Do not create duplicates. Use “Add New Player” to search entire database. Check 3 tabs

New Players – If sure, build a good profile with accurate identifying information

Captains – Required for every team

Managers – Coach or parent

RESERVES

FINALS QUALIFICATION



TEMPORARY RESERVES

Rating substitution rule to “keep the competition fair”; Division 1 unlimited

PERMANENT RESERVES

May become base players, rating dependent, in only one team

QUALIFIED PLAYERS IN A FINAL

From another division, satisfy rating substitution rule

UNQUALIFIED EMERGENCY PLAYERS IN A FINAL

Minimum base players qualified; certified injury/illness of 2 qualified players, application according to rating substitution rule

DESIGN PRINCIPLES

Cultivate

Modern, Future-proofed competitive play

Enrich

Level- based matches through grading and playing order using RATINGS. Good matches over winners and losers

Time-based, with a clear fixture length, max participation, equal share of match time

Team-based, for players to connect and share success

Venue-based, sustainable teams built locally with coach care

Coach/club culture that thrives on fair play and grows champions we are proud of

Supervised, safe and welcoming environments

Connecting and engaging with digital platforms

Where is the best place for our juniors?

Supervised team play with their peers with their well-being foremost.

How do we foster juniors?

Work with club and coach to build sustainable, safe teams

Which juniors may play adult competition?

- Only where the club has duty of care
- Athletes on the Performance pathway, rated for State League and division 1. Keeping up their peer matches at 50%, unless exempt.
- At least 15 years of age, maximum 2 in a fixture.
- Players 16 and under also playing junior league.
- Non-compliance penalty - reserve status, not base player



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UTR RATING



WHAT IS THIS?



WHAT IS THE UTR RATING?

- UTR Rating is a number that provides a real and accurate measurement of skill level. A player's UTR is a number between 1.00 and 16.50.

HOW IS THE UTR RATING CALCULATED?

- A player's UTR Rating is the weighted average of up to 30 matches
- Only matches within the past 12 months are included in a player's UTR Rating calculation
- For each match, the algorithm calculates a match rating and a match weight for each player.

<https://support.universaltennis.com/en/support/solutions/articles/9000151830-understanding-the-algorithm-complete-summary>

UTR RATING DISPLAY AUSTRALIAN PLAYERS



The review identified exposing players early to a rating can place too much focus on the rating itself and not on the development of them as a player. From 2022, UTR Rating displays will be updated based on a player age.

Player UTR Rating displays will be updated weekly:

- **Players aged 0-9:** No rating will be displayed
- **Players aged 10-12:** Displayed to one decimal number. E.g. 3.1
- **Players aged 13 and above:** Displayed to two decimal places. E.g. 5.23

Through the 2022 Winter Season, players will continue to be able to view both the TA Ratings and UTR Rating. From Summer, only UTR Ratings will show.

IMPORTANT – All players must activate their UTR Ratings

WHAT IS THE BEST WAY TO IMPROVE MY UTR RATING



Play Well – Performing well in matches is the easiest way to improve your UTR Rating. If the match is out of hand, don't give up! It does not matter whether you play higher- or lower-rated opponents; you can improve your UTR either way by winning more games than expected.

Play Often – The more matches you play, the quicker your UTR Rating will reflect your current form. The algorithm is especially accurate for those who play often against a variety of opponents rated above and below you.

Be Patient – Since your UTR Rating is a rolling weighted average, the effect of new results is slightly lagged. Your UTR Rating may not fully reflect a recent outcome right away, but it will over time.

WHEN WILL THE UTR RATING BE UPDATED



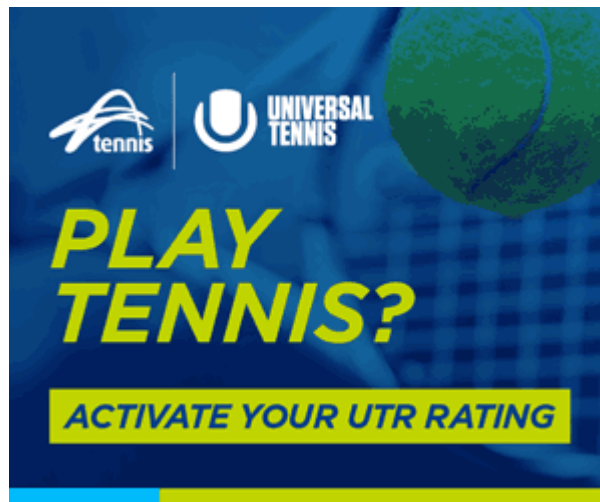
- UTR Ratings for Endorsed events will be updated on a weekly basis as of a Tuesday. Each Tuesday the latest available UTR Rating will be published to your profile (available by logging in to Match Centre) to view.
- The ratings published here will be used for acceptance and seeding for the following weeks events.

Setting up you Match Centre profile

1. Create a login for Match Centre
2. Link your Universal Tennis account to your Match Centre profile

<https://www.tennis.com.au/competitiveplay/register-and-activate-your-utr>

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WHAT IS DIFFERENT?

TENNIS ACCOUNTS

UTR RATINGS FREE ON MATCH CENTRE



MATCH CENTRE

WHO - UTR'S replace TA Ratings on scorecards, team profiles, results and upcoming matches
TA Ratings will be with us until the end of winter, and only individual players will see this
This affects ALL Players, Team Captains, Managers and users of match Centre
Only 54% of WA Players have a tennis account. All your players need a UTR for better matches

WHEN – Changes from 31 March 2022

TA Ratings only on dashboards until end Winter 2022 season

WHY – Important step for all players to prepare for the season with activation of their UTR rating

HOW- Log in or create a unique tennis ID. Select “activate your UTR” and register or sign-in to link to your UTR.

PLAYING ORDER

UTR Whole numbers apply, for playing order. No rounding necessary

Nominate in strength order e.g. 5;4;UR;UR;4;UR; 3

Re-order by closing date

Non-UTR players must play in nominated order shown on scorecard

Reserves need a tennis account for eligibility – Plan ahead

GRADING

Winter League – Both TARS and UTR's for this season only. For unrated players, co-ordinator/coach information used.

Summer League and Beyond – UTR's only used, requiring Tennis Accounts



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STILL HAVE QUESTIONS?
SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCE



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Taking on a challenge is a lot like riding a horse isn't it? If you are comfortable while you are doing it, you are probably doing it wrong.

TED LASSO



What does 'Rated for State League and Div 1' mean?

Players with a rating suitable to play State League?

Will League manager be updated to show UTR?

League Manager will be updated at midnight EST of 1st April

Many of our players have duplicate accounts, how can we remove all the duplicates or merge these?

You will need to ask your players to log in to Match Centre, and link their duplicated accounts

How many matches for finals qualification? Is this compensating for COVID large teams?

In Winter, playing 10 rounds, players must play in 3 fixtures only, either singles or doubles or both.

If a player's league results have already been showing on their UTR account over the last year then is their UTR and Matchpay account already linked

Not necessarily. All players to log-in to their profile and click on the "Activate Your UTR Rating", to check if their id number is linked.

Are players with the same UTR (whole number) able to be interchangeable on match day?

Yes they are, for example a 5.7 and a 5.4 will both be 5s and be interchangeable.

Is there a step by step way to show players how to register their UTR?

Yes, please follow the following link

<https://www.tennis.com.au/competitiveplay/register-and-activate-your-utr>

How many players ratings are taken into consideration for grading purposes, considering large teams will be nominated.

In a 3 player format, the top 3 player ratings are used for grading purposes. In a 4 player format, the top 4 player ratings are used.

Is there an easy way to get to our club members who do not have TA accounts?

The Player Statistics report shows your players Ratings. Only your club has their contact details.

Organisation Player Lifetime Statistics

Statistics

Individual player statistics from your organisation, including: ratings, win/loss stats for matches/rubbers/sets/games

SELECT

FAVOURITE

All league players need to create a Tennis Account and then to activate your UTR rating.

Register at Match Centre to create a unique Tennis ID

How can we tell if a players UTR is linked (even though they can see their UTR) , if they can see their UTR are they are linked?

Not necessarily. All players need to check via log-in to their profile and click on the Activate Your UTR Rating. Also to make sure the correct profile is linked to their Tennis account.

What is the position if a person has not played for 12 months and is not given an UTR

Please list this player in strength order for the team at nomination.

If players are on MatchCentre, does that mean they have a tennis account

Not necessarily. All players must log-in to their profile and click on the Activate Your UTR Rating. Also to make sure the correct profile is linked to their Tennis account.

Do teams entered via MatchCentre automatically appear in league manager nominations list?

Yes, but must be approved by an Authorized User at the club.

Can League manager reports be activated with UTR for all players so that UTR can be easily checked

The Organisation Player Statistics report, downloaded from League Manager shows Ratings.