



San Diego Tri-Level Mixed Doubles League Information

Tri-Level League is a USTA format designed to provide a unique league experience by combining players of different NTRP rating levels on the same team. Tri-Level Mixed Doubles League will be great practice leading up to the USTA Mixed 18+ Season in January!

Guidelines

- Team Match Format:** One team match is made up of three individual doubles matches, each line at a different combined NTRP level. Team levels by league are 9.0/ 8.0/ 7.0 and 8.0/7.5/7.0.
 Combined levels can be made up of two players whose rating is at the line level but they cannot be more than a full point apart (i.e. 9.0= 5.0/4.0 or 4.5/4.5 or 4.5/4.0)
- Scoring Format Used:** Best 2 out of 3 sets (Coman set tiebreak used at 6-6.)
- Line up:** The highest rated line is always line 1. Next level down, is line 2 followed by line 3.
- Scheduling:** Matches will play on Saturdays at 12:30PM (8.0/7.5/7.0) and 2:30PM (9.0/8.0/7.0).

Requirements:

- USTA membership is required. Minimum age is 18 years old.
- NTRP based —valid computer or self-rating is required for local league season
- At-Level Requirements:** In any match, each doubles team must be must be ‘at the rated level’ or no more than .5 level below. (i.e. 8.0 or 7.5).
 Example: one 3.5 may play with a 4.0 in the 8.0 line. Two 3.5 players could not play the 8.0 line. If this occurs, the match will be DQ’d for having an ineligible player in the match.
- Team must include a minimum of 2 players who are ‘at level’ for each line of play.

	At Level	At Level	Level -.5
9.0 Level	5.0 + 4.0	4.5+ 4.5	4.5+ 4.0
8.0 Level	4.5+ 3.5	4.0+ 4.0	4.0+ 3.5
7.5 Level	4.0+ 3.5		3.5+ 3.5 or 3.0+ 4.0
7.0 Level	3.5+ 3.5	3.0+ 4.0	3.5+ 3.0

- You may have up to 16 players on a team.
 Please be thoughtful about how to build your team to make sure that your players can pair up to meet the rating levels. Your middle rated players can be the most flexible to play up. It is good to have a plan for the team so you recruit appropriately. Captains may also want to know player availability when recruiting to make sure they can field teams for their matches on a weekly basis. Captains need flexibility in putting line ups together.

Championship Information:

Tri-Level mixed doubles is a local league. The (8.0/ 7.5/ 7.0) is not an advancing league. The higher level will have an Invitational post-season event with teams from other So Cal Areas. At this event, it will be competed as a (4.5/ 4.0/ 3.5) league so not combo level. One or both players must be rated ‘at level’.

Have fun and give it a Tri!