



Howard County Local Rules

All Divisions

2011

COLUMBIA – CIRCLE D – CATTAIL CREEK

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The Howard County USTA League Local Rules are based on the 2011 USTA National League Tennis Regulations, 2011 USTA/Mid-Atlantic Section Rules, and the 2011 USTA/Maryland District Rules. Following are the noteworthy instructions from those 3 publications and *supercede* current or future rules written herein.

Team and Player Registration: All teams and players shall initially register using the TennisLink system on the USTA Web site www.national.usta.com. At least **(6) six players** in Mixed (3 women and 3 men) must be registered in order for the team to be activated in Tennis Links, **except (8) players for adults** in all levels except 2.5, 5.0, and 5.5, where (5) must be registered.

Self-Rating must be completed through TennisLink.

1. When first entering the Leagues program, players without a computer rating are required to answer questions on-line regarding their player history and then declare a self-rating on TennisLink. In making their self-rating decision, players should consider the NTRP Guidelines posted on the TennisLink website; their on-court performance against established league players; relevant tennis history including frequency of play and instruction; and general fitness. Once made, the self-rating declared by the player shall apply to all Divisions until superceded by a computer-generated rating established according to USTA-approved computer methodology.
2. Players who have a computer rating from 2007 or before, must self-rate. A computer rating is **valid for three years** or until another rating is generated. Players who are 60 years or older during the 2011 championship year will have valid computer ratings on file in TennisLink for the last 2-years. They must self-rate if their NTRP rating is older than 2 years. The self rating must be completed through TennisLink.

Howard County Local League Winners: Where there is more than one league at the same Division and level there must be a league playoff to determine the local league winner(s).

Applies to play-offs.

Where the Maryland rule of ten applies, the #1 team will not participate in a playoff and will advance directly to Districts except where flights exist and the league coordinator(s) have determined a different procedure.

In each NTRP division: The winner(s) of the "FINAL PLAYOFF" shall be declared as the winner of that division. In the event of a tie, the winner will be determined as follows:

1. Winner of the most individual matches.
2. Loser of the fewest number of sets.
3. Loser of the fewest number of games.

If the above procedures do not break the tie, the winner shall be determined by their head-to-head playoff according to Friend At Court.

Each winning team of an NTRP division will advance to the District Playoff. If for any reason the winning team cannot play in the district playoff, the Captain must notify the League Coordinator immediately upon completion of the regular season schedule. In that event, the second place team will advance to the district playoff (any ties at second place shall be broken using the above procedures). In the event these procedures do not resolve the tie, a head-to-head playoff will be used to determine the team to advance. The League Coordinator will schedule the playoff.

Matches Required To Advance to Local Play-off. In Local league playoffs, players are required to have participated in a least 2 round robin matches in order to be eligible to participate. One DEFAULT can count towards the 2-match minimum needed to establish eligibility to participate.

Play-offs. If a Player/Captain qualifies at the same level, same Division, that player/Captain must declare which one team that player will play on. In the event there was not a declaration, the first match played will be the declaration **All matches played prior to District Championships are considered to be local league matches.**

Columbia Captains must send a team roster with CA numbers (or note non-member) along with one check payable to "Columbia Association" for local league fees to **Jim Lawson, P.O.Box 191, Glenelg, MD 21737.** on or before the first scheduled match, whichever occurs first. Matches are subject to default if not paid by the day of the first match.

If players are added after the initial roster is submitted, complete an **Additional Player Form** and send it along with local league fees to the League Administrator (Jim Lawson). (See captains package). Only the **"additional player form and one (1) check** is necessary. All local league fees for each player must be paid prior to such player participating in any League play. Payments must be postmarked on or before the player's first date of play. Any match played by such player prior to all required payments being made shall be forfeited subject to the discretion of the League Coordinator(s).

Players may be deleted from the roster by completing a **Player Deletion Form** and sending it to the League Coordinator (Liz Baker). Player deletion will be effective when signed by the League Coordinator. Completed forms may be emailed to rerbaker@comcast.net.

Court Assignments: When teams play at the Athletic Club (AC) for all divisions except for Adults on Friday and Sunday, the #1, #2 and #3 doubles teams will play on courts A and B and C, respectively. *On Saturday at the AC, use courts B, C and D. In the Bubble, #1, #2 and #3 doubles will play on courts 5, 4 and 3, respectively.* It is the responsibility of each Captain or designee to ensure players are playing on the correct court and against opponents listed on the scorecard.

COURT LAYOUTS:

Athletic Club

	Court A	Court B	Court C	Court D
Viewing area				

Owen Brown Bubble

Court 3 3D	NO COURT X XX
Court 4 2D	Court 2
Court 5 1D	Court 1

Entrance

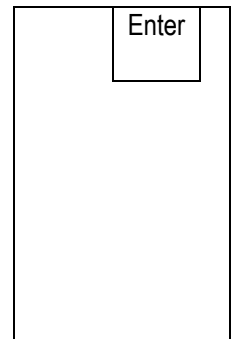
TEAMS PLAYING AT WILDE LAKE: When a match is scheduled at the Athletic Club, any position may play outdoors at Wilde Lake as long as both captains agree. If the captains can't agree, then the # 3 Doubles must play.

Wilde Lake Tennis Club

Ct 1	Ct 2	Ct 3	Ct 4	Ct 5	Ct6	Club house	Ct 7	Ct8	Ct9	CT10	CT11
#3D AC	#2S	#1S	#3D	#2D	#1D						

Owen Brown Outdoors

Ct 10	#1S	Ct 9	#3D
Ct 11	#2S	Ct 8	#2D
Ct 12		Ct 7	#1D
Club House			



Staff may assign other courts

Spectators are allowed to **observe** matches inside the Owen Brown Bubble so long as **both** team Captains or designees agree. No Captain or spectators are allowed on court at the Athletic Club except when called to court by player.

Court Fees: Court fees must be paid prior to the start of play. Tennis balls will not be issued or play permitted to begin until the fees are paid. Teams failing to follow this rule are subject to default.

Cancellation policy: (72-hour cancellation notice required).

Unless a written notice has been sent to Liz Baker and Jim Lawson, 72 hours in advance, **all** court fees, for the defaulting position(s), is the responsibility of the defaulting team. If courts are utilized by others, players shall assume court cost.

Administration fees: See separate details for each division.

Coaching and Spectators: Spectators are allowed to observe matches inside the bubble (outside sidelines and imaginary extensions thereof) as long as both team captains or designees agree. Spectators and captains are to observe match play from the 2nd level viewing area at the Athletic Club. Captains or team representative are always allowed to observe match play unless ejected by a USTA Official. Captains must not interfere with play unless called to the court by a player. If called, both Captains should be present during any discussions. Coaching is not permitted at any time during the match

Tennis Balls: CA, Circle D, and Cattail will provide tennis balls. The Home Team captain should secure the tennis balls from the desk staff. As noted above, tennis balls will not be issued if appropriate fees have not been paid.

Team Captains: Team captains are allowed to captain/co-captain only one (1) team in the same division at the same level **in the same local league.**

Roster Size: Up to **twenty (20)** players may be carried on a roster for all levels, except for 2.5 and 5.0, where the maximum is 12 players. Any player[s] in excess of the player limit shall be ineligible for play. The player last added to the roster that causes the violation shall be ineligible to play. Players may be added to the roster. See details for each Division. Tri-Level (22)

Bathroom Visits and penalties: Last 15 Minutes of Match Play: Bathroom visits will be allowed during the last 15 minutes of regulation time or any extension thereof for a Match Tiebreak subject to a (3) THREE GAME PENALTY. No bathroom visit may extend into the last 15 minutes of scheduled time without 3 game penalties.

Prior to the last 15 minutes of a match: Bathroom visits are limited to 10 minutes starting from the time a player arrives at the bathroom facilities. Opponents are encouraged to accompany those going to the bathroom to assure compliance. A Monitor, if present, may also keep track of the bathroom visit time. If the 10 minute time limit is exceeded, a one point penalty shall be assessed for up to 5 minutes late. A game penalty will be assessed for 5 to 10 minutes late, and a match retirement after 10 minutes late, i.e., more than a 20 minute bathroom break.

On Court Monitors: If available, monitors may be called to the court to observe matches and correct OUTCALLS, call foot faults, invasions, not ups etc. Court Monitors will not have the authority or use of the Point Penalty System (PPS) and not allowed to Monitor matches at his/her level/gender.

Problem match: If there is a problem on the court with outcalls or foot faults:

Before a player may call a foot fault on his opponent, he must first warn; then seek an official, and if no official is available (as is generally the case) he must seek an acceptable {by both} impartial third party to make such calls OR have both team Captains or team representative observe the match from a stationary position at the net post (a) they must be in DIRECT observation, and (b) don't start wandering to baselines etc. If both agree, outcall correction stands. If only one party agrees then player's call stands.

Only if ALL these steps fail can the player himself then call a foot fault on his opponent.

Steps to follow:

1. Complete the match and if necessary file a Grievance.
2. If all else fails, stop the match, file a Grievance. If you win the Grievance, the Committee may elect to award the match to you or direct other remedies.

Rain outs: Columbia only: The staff at each club is solely responsible to decide if the courts are playable and if matches should be cancelled. In the event of a rain delay of up to 15 minutes, matches shall recommence immediately without warm-up [unless warm-up was never taken] and be completed within the original 2-hour time limit. Delays in excess of 15 minutes may be recommenced if both Captains agree; however, if not completed within the original two hour limit shall be completed as a rainout match allowing for the unused portion of the full 2-hour match time. An additional 10-minute warm-up shall be granted prior to the rainout match recommencing.

All matches must be completed within seven (7) days of their original scheduled play date. Rained-out matches will be played indoors at the AC or OBI normally on Sunday's following the rainout. Start times will range from 8:00 am – 6:00 PM – generally beginning with the teams rained out earliest in the week. The league coordinators will assign specific times. No more than one rained-out match will be scheduled per day. League Coordinator's decisions are final. ONLY HOWARD USTA MATCHES WITHIN THE SAME DIVISION WILL BE HONORED.

EXCHANGE OF LINE-UP RULING	When a match is postponed following exchange of line-up, does the original line-up stand for the make-up match?	The line-up would stand only for those positions that had already started (first service attempt) their match. All other positions, even those that were in warm-up may be changed. The rationale is that the same players may not be available while others now can play.
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When playing at OBO and the match is rained out, move indoors (Bubble) if courts are available. There is no charge, if any outdoor match is rained out after starting the match, (after warm up and an attempt to strike the first ball of the match) when play is resumed indoors. If the match was not started, then court fees will be charged.

If any match scheduled on Sunday is rained out the teams should go indoors to the AC provided courts are available. Any such match should start no later than 30 minutes after the original scheduled start time. At least 4 matches must be played if courts are available; the 5th match may be played, if both Captains agree. If not, the League Coordinator will schedule the 5th match makeup time and date.

Rainout Schedule will be published on www.columbiatennis.com

Columbia Senior Division – Inclement Weather (Hobbits Glen Har-Tru courts): All matches will be played as scheduled. Columbia Association club employee will determine if courts are playable or not. The postponement of a match due to inclement weather must be reported to the League Coordinator(s). At Hobbits Glen, the Captains must mutually agree on the date/time/place to play the postponed match within 7 days. Captains must report the rescheduling information to the League Coordinator(s). A match in progress but rained out does not have to be played at the same time and date, when approved by the LLC. In the event team Captains cannot mutually agree upon a time and date, the Local League Coordinator(s) will assign times and date for the rescheduled match. Home team Captain will initiate contact with opposing team Captain.

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RULE CLARIFICATION: After a suspension in play, the score and position of player's on-court in the match shall stand when the match resumes. A player who was in the second service when play was suspended shall be granted a first serve. After a 15 minute delay or suspension of play, a 10 minute re-warm-up is allowed.

Fall Mixed: (Non-USTA) Section rule where no more than two/three players are allowed to play together on any team(s) does not apply. Players are allowed to play on as many teams as desired if they are at different levels as long as the point spread (1) is not exceeded.

Conflicts: Only Howard County USTA conflicts will be honored where the minimum players are not available and playing elsewhere in a Howard County Division.

Moving teams to correct positions:

If you have a player who you know is on the way, exchange lineups as usual, list that player wherever it is you have he/she playing. Start all matches at the scheduled time. When he/she arrives, abide by the default rules, i.e. up to 5 minutes – 1 game, loss of toss, up to 10 minutes loss of toss and 2 games and up to 15 minutes, loss of toss and 3 games. After 15 minutes, DEFAULT. There is no need to move up players if the match(s) have started.

What occurs if a player(s) is on the wrong court in an individual team match?

If the discovery occurs before the first set of all matches affected has been completed, players are to go to the correct courts and begin the matches over. If the discovery occurs after the first set is completed, the matches will be completed as started and count as matches played in good faith. If other players have already started their second set and a switch is not possible, then the match must continue as started.

Cell Phones: All cell phones must be silenced. Any disturbance of a match while a ball is in play will be considered a deliberate hindrance resulting in a loss of point.

Home Team: The Home Team is the team Captain designated in TennisLink.

Exchange of Lineups: Team Captains must exchange completed lineups five (5) minutes before the scheduled start of the match. The home team Captain will prepare his/her lineup on the Official Scorecard

and hand it to the opposing captain in exchange for his/her written lineup. A player need not be present at the exchange of line ups but must be ready to play when a court is available. Both Captains will then transfer the opposing lineup to the Official Scorecard prior to the start of the match. The penalties will be applied as follows:

Both captains equally late: No penalty

Both captains late, ready at different times:

The penalty accrues when the first captain is ready to exchange written line-ups. The second captain's team is penalized by loss of toss and 1 game for each individual match. If the written line-ups have not been submitted to the other captain by the scheduled time for the start of match, the penalty is default of all matches.

Only 1 captain late:

The second (**late**) captain's team is penalized by loss of toss and one game for each individual match. If the written line-ups have not been submitted to the other captain by the scheduled time for the start of the match, the penalty is default of all matches.

Start and Duration of Play: Players must take the courts at the scheduled start time or as soon as an assigned court is available. Warm-up time is 10 minutes, including serves. All match play must begin promptly after the warm up or any delayed warm up due to player lateness. The continuous play rule is in effect for all league matches. The match, including any warm-up time, ends after time allowed from the scheduled start time, unless a Match Tie Break is being played. If a Match Tie Break is played at the end of regulation time due to a tie in sets, the team who received in the last full game played during regulation shall serve first.

Tie-break: The Coman Procedure is to be used for **both the set and match tie-break**. The Coman procedure is the same as the present tiebreak except that ends are changed after the first point, then after every four points, and at the conclusion of the Tiebreak.

Match Tie-break: No rest break is allowed between the second set and third set Match Tie-Break; continuous play rule is in effect. The team who received in the last full game shall serve first.

Coaching and Spectators: Coaching is not permitted at any time during the match

Playing on adjacent courts while a USTA match is in progress: Where dividers are in place and players have left the court, the oncoming players (no more than 4) may utilize the court until their match is scheduled to start, so long as play is not disrupted. Cross-courts on changeovers or when a player has signaled you to pass through. Captain may be on the sidelines of the court as well and does not count as part of the 4 players as long as he/she is not involved in warming up and is engaged in logistical items, such as collecting fees and determining lineups. Once the official start time of the match commences with the warm-up, the captain may only be on the court if he/she is a player in the individual match or has been requested to come to the court by the players.

Suspension of Match: The staff at each club is solely responsible to decide if the courts are playable and if matches should be cancelled. In the event of a delay of up to 15 minutes, matches shall recommence immediately without warm-up [unless warm-up was never taken] and be completed within the original time limit. Delays in excess of 15 minutes may be recommenced if both Captains agree. Original time limit stands.

Requests of Coordinator: If present, the League Coordinator[s] may be requested by any player or team Captain to observe play, call foot faults and obvious line call errors, and to assure the Rules of Tennis and The Code are being followed. No other person may be called upon to call foot faults and line call errors, exception a USTA official.

Substitutions: Once lineups are exchanged, only the listed players shall play. No substitutions are allowed except for a listed player who suffers an injury or illness *during the warm-up*. A late arrival cannot play unless already listed on the previously exchanged scorecard. Late penalties apply from the time play was to have started to the time the tardy player arrived on court. 2-hour time limit still in force. If a listed player fails to show before the 15minute default time, the match is forfeited to the other team in the forfeit order described under "Team Forfeits" below. If a listed player arrives late, and before default time, a warm-up may still be taken. If the substitution is made during warm up, the substitute player is entitled to a five (5) minute warm-up.

Penalties: In determining penalties for lateness, time begins at the scheduled start time, unless for some legitimate reason (e.g. a Match Tie Break is being played), a court is not available. If that should occur, time begins when a court is available for that individual match. Following are the time limits and penalties:

Up to 5:00 minutes: Loss of toss and 1 game (5-minute warm-up still taken)
5:01-10:00 minutes: Loss of toss and 2 games (5-minute warm-up still taken)
10:01 – 15:00 minutes: Loss of toss plus 3 games (5-minute warm-up still taken)
More than 15:00 minutes: Default. Note: 2 Hour limit still applies.

Team Forfeits: Section Rule Applies.

Singles. The No. 2 singles must be defaulted before the No. 1 singles.

Doubles. The No. 3 doubles must be defaulted before the No. 2 doubles and No. 2 doubles must be defaulted before the No. 1 doubles.

Captains have the option to default singles or doubles.

If due to unforeseen circumstances, the captains allow (either by word or failure to prevent) a lower position to start out of sequence and later the higher match ends up a default – all matches stand as played.

Medical Time Outs (MTO): Retirement occurs when a player/team is unable to continue play after the match has started, usually because of an injury, loss of condition, or an emergency. A player/team is allowed **no more than ONE, up to 5 minute timeout to recover and continue play**. Failure to continue play after 5 minutes results in a retirement and the opponents win the match. Actual scores are entered in TennisLink and marked as Retired.

Team/Match Scoring: The team winning a majority of the individual matches wins the team event and is awarded 1 Team-Win. .

Individual Match Scoring: All individual matches shall be two tiebreak sets, regular scoring. When games are tied in any set (6 games each), a Set Tie Break will be used (first to 7 points, with a 2 point margin). If the first two sets are split, a Match Tie Break (first to 10 by 2) will be played as the deciding match. (The Match Tie Break is scored as 1 set and 1 game for tiebreak purposes).

If match is not completed before time runs out, the following scoring rules apply:

- If time runs out in the second set, the team ahead by 2 games wins that set. If neither team is ahead in the second set by 2 games, the set does not count. The first set winner wins the match.
- If time runs out in any Set Tie Break, it does not count regardless of the score. .
- If an individual match is tied when time runs out (split sets and no Match Tie Break), a Match Tie Break shall be played out to its conclusion.
- If a Match-Tie Break is in progress when time expires, the point in play shall be replayed, and the Match Tie- Break shall be played out to its conclusion.
- If time runs out in the first set, the match should continue if possible, to conclusion of that first set. Winner of the first set wins the match. If a court is not available, the League Coordinator will reschedule the match.

There must be a winner for each individual match. Any point in play when time expires shall not count.

Completion of Scorecard: Upon completion of an individual match, the player/team must report the match score to his/her Captain or designated person. Upon completion of the match, the home team Captain should confer with the opposing Captain, record all scores on the Official Scorecards. Both Captains should sign the Official Scorecards and retain. The Official scorecard is the scorecard available in Tennislink. In lieu of that scorecard any legible sheet of paper with the lineup properly written and signed by both team Captains is acceptable and considered the Official Scorecard.

Recording Scores in TennisLink: Match results **must** be reported on TennisLink by either the winning **or** losing team captain, or their designee, within 72 hours of the completion of the team match. Failure to do so shall cause the local coordinator to instruct that the match be scored as a Double Default. The non-reporting captain, or designee, **must** log in to TennisLink and confirm or dispute the reported match scores within 48 hours after they have been reported. After that time, TennisLink automatically blocks any attempt to edit or otherwise contest reported results, which are deemed final and complete with no further right of challenge.

Entering scores in TennisLink where a Double Default: occurs: If a match is tied at TWO all, the winner of the match is the team with total LESS games lost in the match. The WINNER must input scores on the VISTOR side of the scorecard.

Any problems recording or verifying within the prescribed time period should be reported to the League Coordinator(s) by the offending team in order to avoid the penalties outlined above. A confirmation by the League Coordinator or Administrator (written or verbal) must be received to avoid penalties.

COMPLETED/RETIREMENT DESIGNATIONS IN TENNIS LINK.

Where the winner of an individual match has been determined in either two full sets [e.g. 6-2, 6-4] or two full sets and a Match Tiebreak [e.g. 6-2, 4-6, 1-0], the match shall be recorded as a "COMPLETED" match.

When the second set is won by **two** games or more resulting in a tie in sets and a Match Tie Break is played, the individual match shall be recorded as "COMPLETED" and actual scores are entered. For example, a score of 6-2, 2-4, 1-0(5) should be entered. There is no need to round up the score.

When the second set is not completed in regulation time and the first set winner is awarded the match, the match should be recorded as a "TIMED". The actual game scores shall be recorded and the first set winner designated as the match winner. For example 6-1, 4-2. TIMED

When the first set winner is awarded the match, the match shall be recorded as "TIMED". The actual game scores shall be recorded and the first set winner designated as the match winner. For example 6-4 TIMED.

Not ahead by 2 games and TennisLink won't accept TIMED, input match as Retired and notify League Coordinator that the match was Timed out.

Grievances: A Grievance may be filed after handshaking at the completion of a match.

All complaints alleging violations must be filed in writing first to the League Coordinator and then if necessary with the chairperson of the Local League Grievance Committee prior to the commencement of the next team match involving such player or team, or within 24 hours after the end of local league play, whichever occurs first. Complainants must also copy the League Coordinator and the parties against whom the complaint has been made. The Grievance Committee will act as prescribed in the USA League Tennis Regulations with a minimum of at least three members.

The Local League Grievance Committee:

Jon Smith (Chair)

Mike Mitchell

Ben Yee

Jennifer Johnson

Nancy Knouse

Wall Matthews

Linda Webb

Julie Seanez

Carolyn Mitchell

Any party to the complaint may appeal the decision of the Grievance committee. Appeals must be filed, in writing, within 48 hours of receiving the decision with the Chairperson of the Grievance Appeals Committee. Copies of the appeal must also be sent to the Grievance Committee chairman whose decision is being appealed and to the other party(ies) involved in the complaint. The Grievance Appeals Committee will act as prescribed in the USA League Tennis Regulations with a minimum of at least three members.

The Grievance Appeals Committee:

Heather Foley (Chair)

Lisa McIntire

Teresa Gehrig

Decisions of the Grievance Appeals Committee are final.

USTA Rules Circle D Tennis Club 2011

Member Fee - \$25.00

Non-member Fee- \$40.00

USTA fee should be turned into Circle D Tennis Club along with a list of players for each team before first scheduled match. One check from the captain please.

Indoor court fees- \$80/team/match

Court fees must be paid prior to the start of **all** indoor play, whether the match is started indoors or moved indoors because of weather, etc.

Indoor court time is guaranteed from **10:00am-12:00pm** (3.0) and 6:30-8:30pm (3.5) on day of scheduled match (except during block times). Any additional court time used prior to match may be available at normal court rate, even if it's 15 minutes.

When a match is moved to the indoor courts any food brought by players is not permitted in the building. The balcony is considered part of the building.

No outside alcohol is permitted on the premises. If you bring in alcohol you will be asked to leave whether you are playing a match or not.

Enter and exit by way of the main driveway, Circle D Club Ln.

Parking is available in the main parking lot as well as the gravel parking lot, **not up next to the courts.**

PLEASE do **NOT** park on the grass.

Bar closes at 9:30pm.

Gates close at 10:00pm.

When a match is not able to be completed due to rain or other conditions and a indoor court is available at Circle D and within 30 minutes after postponement, that match must move indoors. After 30 minutes and indoor court time is not available, players will have 7 days to make up the match. If the match has not been completed within that time period, the League Coordinator will schedule the match on a Saturday or Sunday following the 7 day grace period. A team that does not show for the rescheduled match will be defaulted or retired.

Exchange line ups as usual. At 6:30 it begins to rain and matches move indoors. Only 4 courts are available to play and the #3D team is not present. The #3 team will play as soon as a court becomes available. The lateness clock starts when a court is available. After 15 minutes and the #3D team is not present, the match is defaulted.

All other Howard County rules apply.

USTA rules and regulations apply to all matches.

Circle D:

Outdoor court assignment.

m y g	Court 1 # 1 doubles	Court 2 #2 doubles
	Court 3 # 1 singles	Court 4 #2 singles

Court 5 # 3 doubles	Court 6
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CATTAIL CREEK COUNTRY CLUB

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Cattail Creek: Cattail Creek will have USTA leagues(s) playing all matches at Cattail Creek, except for any playoffs used to determine flight winners and team(s) advancing to Districts. The League Administrator/Coordinator will schedule all playoff matches. Julie Seanez is the Level Coordinator for Cattail Creek. All rules outlined herein, except for court fees, administration fees, rainouts, scheduling will be adhered to.

1 – There will be a two hour time limit to complete matches. (Exception: No ties allowed. See rules if teams split sets)

2 – Oncoming players (no more than 4) may utilize open courts until their match is scheduled to begin, so long as play is not disrupted. Please cross courts on changeovers or when a player has signaled you to pass through. Please be courteous.

3 – When match play begins, no one else is allowed to be on the court or sitting on the benches between courts. See problem match - Howard County Local rules.

4 – Rainouts are handled in the following order: 1 – Both captains agree to play indoors subject to court availability. 2 – Captains shall have 7 days from the date of the rainout to reschedule their match at Cattail. Courts will be available Thursday afternoons and Fridays throughout the day. 3 - Rainouts shall be rescheduled by the league coordinator within 7 days subject to court availability. (This does not preclude a local coordinator from formally re-scheduling a match date/time where local circumstances require, so long as established dates for completing local play are not violated.)

5. Line ups shall be exchanged 5 minutes before the match is scheduled to begin.

6. All other Howard County rules apply.

7. USTA rules and regulations apply to all matches.

8. Time limits on matches may differ with the exception of any playoffs.