

Eastmoor USTA League Guidelines

Tennis program pricing is set with the following objectives:

To run programs which serve Eastmoor members in a fiscally responsible manner, and to maintain pricing that is reasonable relative to comparable local tennis opportunities. Fees include balls, team coordination, general court maintenance, and offsite court reservations.

Payment for teams should be made by captains with Venmo to Rich Bruns or by check or cash to Ken Tronco. The fee for each USTA league for Eastmoor members will be communicated during the yearly pre season captains meeting.

The deadline for team payment is the Tuesday before the USTA minimum roster deadline before the given season. Once payment has been received, captains will receive their team number from the tennis chair. The Eastmoor deadline is the date on which determinations will be made regarding team splits, allocations, and non-member players. There will be a captains meeting yearly before the season starts, before the Eastmoor deadline, to help coordinate teams and go over any changes from the previous season.

In the event that a captain can't fill a team with Eastmoor members playing at level, he/she may consider inviting an Eastmoor member to play "up". Otherwise, Eastmoor players participate on league teams at their NTRP level. **The USTA requires that 75% of a team roster must be "at level"**. Allowing players to play up is at the captains discretion.

At level non-members may only be added to Eastmoor teams in order to meet the minimum required for the roster after all members have been enrolled. **A team must be comprised of 80% members.** This necessity should be confirmed with the tennis pro or tennis chair.

The Eastmoor minimum is the USTA requirement plus two players. In adding non-members to the teams, preference should be given to those who are on Eastmoor's waitlist. Captains should wait until after the Eastmoor roster dead-line and member play availability is provided to determine if non members are required. Non -members pay a higher fee than members for league play.

A second team (same level , same league) may not be formed (team split) unless the first team is filled entirely with Eastmoor members and has become so large that players are scheduled for less than 50% of the matches. A good rule of thumb in considering if a team is viable, is that you should be able to field the minimum required, plus two players. In each of the three prior circumstances captains should give priority to Eastmoor members in terms of participation and play time. Additional teams may not be formed if their formation will cause court availability issues.