

GET IN THE GAME



The USTA is offering two great ways for Staten Islanders to join in the fun and play competitive tennis this Spring and Summer. **Flex leagues** are played in a singles or doubles format and the **USTA Leagues** which are team tennis. Read below for more info.



GREAT TENNIS. ON YOUR TERMS.

With USTA Flex Leagues, thousands of players are enjoying flexible scheduling of matches, meeting new people, working on their game and friendly competition.

And now you can too! Leagues are now forming for men and women in NTRP levels. Local options include singles, doubles, mixed doubles and coed flights.

- For individuals
- Up to 8 matches in two months
- USTA Members: \$25 Singles/\$20 Doubles
- Non Members: \$35 Singles/\$30 Doubles
- Playing USTA programs supports the growth of tennis in your community

League's are formed in singles and doubles through the USTA web site. You sign up for your level (NTRP rating), pay the \$25 fee (USTA members) or \$35 fee (non-members) and the USTA makes the schedule. Then you contact your opponent for that week and the two of you decide when and where you will play. You can play outdoors on a public park court or at a private club or even rent a court at a commercial club. It's up to you. Then just put your score in at the USTA web site. Leagues are formed at any time throughout the year. **The next one on Staten Island starts April 1st and ends June 1. The deadline to enter is March 25.**

You can sign up at <http://www.usta.com/Play-Tennis/USTA-League/USTAFlexLeagues/>



USTA Leagues are the country's largest recreational tennis league, helping more than 800,000 participants nationwide get on the court, have a good time, and step up their game. The league is organized as competitive team match play. Teams are made up of a minimum of eight players. Teams and matches are set up according to NTRP ratings, so your teammates and opponents will be at your skill level. The competition is exciting, the atmosphere is social, and since players compete on teams, you have a built-in cheering section.

The summer USTA League's are played at the end of May, June and early July. Each team match has 2 singles and 3 doubles matches. 2 out of 3 sets with regular scoring is used. The 3rd set is only the Super Tiebreaker. A team should have a minimum of 12 and a maximum of 22 players on a team. This way no one has to play every match. Leagues are run for adv. Beginners thru advanced players in the 2.5-5.0 levels.

To get leagues organized we need to have players, captains and courts. Players can form their own teams, but must have a Captain. Captains can then coordinate with me and the USTA. Anyone without a team can contact me and I will keep a list and let captains know who is available. They need to know the rules and insure their team follows them. Also, Captains need to secure court time for their home matches. Members of tennis clubs may be able to get courts at their club. Court time is paid by the players in each match. Court time can also be rented from a public tennis facility.

For more information or anyone wishing to be a captain, join a team or who has access to tennis courts, contact Ed Perpetua phone: 718-370-8757 or email: eptatennis@aol.com