

2026 CTL MIXED DOUBLES LEAGUE

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IMPORTANT:

- Registration opens in [Tennis Link](#) (TL) on March 9th and initially closes on April 19 at 11:59PM.
- Matches may begin as early as the week of May 4.
- Format: team matches consist of 3 Mixed Doubles courts.
- **Deadline to add players for teams with a local season will be JUNE 15th.**
- A player on an 18+ or 40+ team must have at least 2 matches during the regular season, including up to one default, to participate in any City, State, or Sectional Championship.
- A player on a 55+ or 65+ team only needs to have played in 1 match, including up to one default, to participate in any City, State, or Sectional Championship.
- Teams must have at least **6 eligible players, including at least 3 men and at least 3 women**, registered by 11:59PM on April 19.
- **Local League at State (LLAS):** the following will play their local season at the Mixed Doubles State Championship:
 - [18&Over 10.0](#)
 - [40&Over 2.5](#)
- **Direct Advance:** [Singleton 55+ & 65+ Mixed Doubles](#) teams will advance directly to the State Championship. However, levels with 2 or more teams will play a local season and the winner will advance to State.
- **The State Championship** for 18+ & 40+ Mixed Doubles will be held in Lexington on Aug 21-23.
- **The State Championship** for 55+ & 65+ Mixed Doubles will be held in Lexington on Aug 22-24.
- Link to local rules: [Mixed Doubles Local Rules 2026](#)

RULE CHANGES FOR 2026:

- CTL Mixed Doubles teams will be capped at a **Maximum of 18 players.**
- Singleton 55+ & 65+ teams advancing directly to the State Championship must have at least 60% of players from South Carolina and **(new!) at least 50% from the Local Area.**

REQUIREMENTS FOR CAPTAIN TO CREATE A TEAM:

ALL 4 STEPS MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE MIDNIGHT ON APRIL 27, 2025!

Per USTA South Carolina Mandate, no teams can be added after the deadline!

1. Captain must FIRST obtain home court approval directly from desired facility PRIOR to registering a team on TL. Teams without facility approval will be re-assigned.
2. Captain must make sure that contact information is correct on their TL account. This information will be published in the Captain's Report, which is where opposing captains and LLC will find your phone # and email address.
3. Captain must name and register their team on TL using the following format (established by USTA National in 2022):
Team name format: CTL and age division/Captain's last name/Facility code For example: **CTL18/Smith/PK** (See list of facility codes on page 3.)
4. Captain must ensure that a minimum of 6 eligible players have registered by April 27, at midnight. *(Extensions may be considered in extenuating circumstances, but LLC must be contacted within 24 hours of registration deadline for any consideration.)*

ADDITIONAL PLAYERS: After the schedules are published, around April 27, the TL registration portal will be re-opened, and additional players may register for existing teams. The deadline to add players to the roster for teams playing a local season is June 15.

REGISTRATION FEES: **For 2026, the CTL League the player registration fee has increased to \$26.15,*** which includes \$23 for registration and a \$3.15 TennisLink fee. Once a player has registered for a team, there will be NO REFUNDS, but a credit could be given for a future league registration, under extenuating circumstances with approval from the LLC. **The team Captain will continue to receive a complimentary registration fee (\$23)** and will only have to pay the \$3.15 TennisLink fee. USTA memberships must be current through the end of the local season for players to be eligible to register.

**Fees adjustments have been small over the years, with the last major change in 2021. For context, the current national average USTA Registration fee is about \$25. This increase will help cover rising costs and will support the things that make CTL possible. These include captain's gifts, local winner gifts, sectional team stipends, court fees for local championships, facility improvements like resurfacing and windscreens, and ongoing tennis growth in the greater Columbia area.*

COURT FEES: Captains are required to pay court fees directly to the facility where they are playing. Check with the facility to inquire about the cost of court fees. **Both public and private facilities must give approval for home courts before teams are registered in TennisLink.**

COUNTY AND CITY PARKS and PAYMENT OF TEAM COURT FEES: Do NOT register your team on TennisLink until AFTER you obtain approval for home courts! Each facility maintains a master list of teams that are approved for home courts. Courts are limited and home teams are approved on a first-come/first- served basis. If your team is not on the approved list, your captain will be contacted; and you may have to find alternate courts as home courts. Pay your team fee for courts promptly! Your team fee covers court costs for all home matches and make-up matches at county and city parks. The team captain must pay this fee directly to the facility for the total amount. Failure to pay the team fee will result in your team being denied courts.

CAYCE TENNIS AND FITNESS CENTER – Team captain should call CTFC 803-227-3030 to obtain home court approval and pay the court fee.

COLUMBA TENNIS CENTER and SOUTHEAST PARK – Team captain must obtain home court approval from Jeff Kefalos at CTC. You may call 803-733-8440 to inquire if courts are available, but phone calls will NOT be accepted for official court approval without fee payment. Submit ONE CHECK payable to “Columbia Parks and Recreation” and deliver to CTC.

GREENVIEW PARK – Contact Greenview at 803-754-5223. Team captain must submit a written request to secure home courts at Greenview. Make ONE CHECK for team fee, payable to “Columbia Parks and Recreation” and submit to Greenview Park.

HARBISON COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER – Contact Danelle Gunter at 803-781-2281 or dgunter@harbisoncommunity.com.

RICHLAND COUNTY TENNIS CENTER (a.k.a. RCTC or Parkline), TRENHOLM PARK, ST. ANDREWS PARK – Submit a written request for approval by email to Shauna at shauna.williams@rcrc.state.sc.us. Specify the facility requested, team name, age division, NTRP level, match play days, captain's name & contact phone/email. RCTC will keep a master list of teams approved for each county facility and will notify each facility.

TENNIS CENTER OF CAMDEN – Contact Rick Martin at 803-432-0252 or rmartin@camdensc.org

DAYS OF PLAY

18 & OVER MIXED

2.5 – Tuesdays 6:30PM
 3.0 – Thursdays 6:30PM
 3.5 – Wednesdays 6:30PM
 4.0 – Mondays 6:30PM
 4.5 – Tuesdays 6:30PM

10.0 – Local League at State (LLAS)

40 & OVER MIXED

2.5 – Local League at State (LLAS)

3.0 – Mondays 6:30PM
 3.5 – Tuesdays 6:30PM
 4.0 – Thursdays 6:30PM
 4.5 – Wednesdays 6:30PM

55 & OVER MIXED

3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5 – Saturdays 9:00AM¹

65 & OVER MIXED

3.0, 3.5, 4.0 – Sundays 2:30PM^{1,2}

¹Any 55&OVER or 65&OVER Mixed Doubles level with only one (1) team will advance directly to the State Championship. In that case, teams must have at least 60% of players from South Carolina and at least 50% from the Local Area.

²65&OVER: teams may agree to play matches at different times/days, provided they are BEFORE the original scheduled match time and the Level Coordinator is notified. For public courts, you may want to consider Parklane or Greenview, which are both open until 8PM on Fridays, or Southeast Park, which is open 7:30AM-9:00PM every day, including Sundays.

FACILITY CODES: See below. Remember that your team's name should be in the following format: **CTL and age division/captain's last name/facility code, e.g. CTL18/Smith/PK**

FACILITY	CODE	FACILITY	CODE
Cayce Tennis Center	CTFC	Spring Valley Country Club	SVCC
Columbia Tennis Center	CTC	St. Andrews Park	SA
Cobblestone Park	CSP	Tennis Center of Camden	TCC
Greenview Park	GV	Trenholm Park	TP
Harbison Rec Ctr	HB	Wildewood Club	WWD
North Springs Park	NS	Windermere Club	WRC
Parklane Tennis Center	PK	Woodcreek Club	WF
Rockbridge Club	RK	Woodlands Club	WLD
Southeast Park	SEP		