

# 2026 CTL COMBO DOUBLES LEAGUE

## Captain's Letter

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### IMPORTANT:

- **Registration** opens in [Tennis Link](#) (TL) on May 11<sup>th</sup> and **initially closes on June 21st.**
- Matches may begin as early as the week of July 6, but most will begin on or after July 13.
- Format: team matches consist of 3 Combo doubles courts.
- **Deadline to add players for teams with a local season will be August 24th.**
- A player must have at least one (1) match during the regular season, including up to one default, to participate in any Local, State or Sectional Championship).
- **A legal team consists of at least 3 eligible teams/6 players with appropriate NTRP ratings registered by midnight on June 21, 2026.**
- **Local League at State (LLAS):** the following will play their local season at the Combo State Championships: Championship:
  - 18+ 9.5 Men & Women
  - 55+ 8.5 Men & Women
- **Direct Advance to State:** 65+ SINGLETON Combo teams will advance directly to State.
- Combo 18+ State Championship will be held in Aiken on October 24-26.
- Combo 55+ State Championship will be held in Aiken on October 23-25.
- Combo 40+ and 65+ State Championship will be held in Florence on November 7-9.
- **Combo Doubles Rules** – Links to the CTL, USTA SC, and Southern Combo Doubles rules can all be found on the [CTL Website](#).

### RULE CHANGES FOR 2026:

- CTL Tri-Level teams will be capped at a **Maximum of 20 players.**

### COMBO LEVELS OFFERED:

- 18 & Over: Men and Women combined levels of 5.5, 6.5, 7.5, 8.5, 9.5
- 40 & Over: Men and Women combined levels 5.5, 6.5, 7.5, 8.5
- 55 & Over: Men and Women combined levels 6.5, 7.5, 8.5
- 65 & Over: Men and Women combined levels 6.5, 7.5, 8.5

**NTRP CAPS FOR PLAYERS ON COMBO TEAMS:** The combined NTRP rating of any doubles team playing in a Combo match may not exceed the Combo team's level. Also, each Combo level has a maximum NTRP allowed for players on the roster, as shown in the table below.

| COMBO TEAM LEVEL | MAX NTRP PLAYER LEVEL | COMBO TEAM LEVEL | MAX NTRP PLAYER LEVEL |
|------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| 5.5              | 3.0                   | 8.5              | 5.0                   |
| 6.5              | 3.5                   | 9.5              | 5.5                   |
| 7.5              | 4.0                   |                  |                       |

**REQUIREMENTS FOR CAPTAIN TO CREATE A TEAM:**

**ALL 4 STEPS MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE 11:59PM ON JUNE 21, 2026!**

**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: **CTL65/Jones/PK** (See list of facility codes on page 3.)
4. Captain must ensure that a minimum of 6 eligible players have registered by June 21 at 11:59PM. *(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, 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 August 24.

**REGISTRATION FEES:** Fees for 2026 CTL Combo Doubles will be \$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. **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.

**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 for CTC or SEP 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](mailto:dgunter@harbisoncommunity.com).

RICHLAND COUNTY TENNIS CENTER (a.k.a. RCTC or Parkline) and TRENHOLM PARK – Submit a written request for approval by email to Shauna at [shauna.williams@rcrc.state.sc.us](mailto: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](mailto:rmartin@camdensc.org)

## DAYS OF PLAY:

### **18 & OVER – DAY WOMEN – 9:30AM**

5.5 – Tuesdays  
6.5 – Wednesdays  
7.5 – Tuesdays  
8.5 – Mondays

### **40 & OVER – DAY WOMEN – 9:30AM**

5.5 – Thursdays  
6.5 – Fridays  
7.5 – Thursdays  
8.5 – Wednesdays

### **18 & OVER – NIGHT – 6:30PM**

5.5 Men - Thursdays  
5.5 Women – Wednesdays  
6.5 Men – Mondays  
6.5 Women – Tuesdays  
7.5 Men – Wednesdays  
7.5 Women – Thursdays  
8.5 Men & Women – Tuesdays  
[9.5. Men & Women – LLAS](#)

### **40 & OVER – NIGHT – 6:30PM**

5.5 Men – Wednesdays  
5.5 Women – Mondays  
6.5 Men – Tuesdays  
6.5 Women – Thursdays  
7.5 Men & Women – Mondays  
8.5 Men – Thursdays  
8.5 Women – Wednesdays

### **55 & OVER**

6.5 Men & Women – Wed 6:30PM  
7.5 Men & Women – Sat 9:30AM  
8.5 Men & Women – Sat 9:30AM

### **65 & OVER\***

6.5 Men & Women – Tues 9:30AM  
7.5 Men & Women – Wed 9:30AM  
8.5 Men & Women – Thur 9:30AM

*\*Singleton 65+ teams go straight to State*

**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/CTC**

| 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  |                            |      |