

USTA ALABAMA

Ready. Set. Social. Rules and Procedures

RULE 1: ALL Social League Members MUST know how to take score and properly play a match before registering for a league.

RULE 2: Everyone playing in a match needs to be a member ATSC and registered in the current league in Serve Tennis.

Rule 3: Before you sign up to play in a social league you need to be available for 75% of the season. (Example: If the season is 4 weeks, you need to be available for 3 weeks)

RULE 4: Everyone needs to have fun and show exceptional sportsmanship. Our main goal is to enjoy our time on the court while playing the great game of tennis!

STEP 1: Become a member by filling out the Alabama Tennis Social Club Membership form. (Once a year)

<https://form.jotform.com/261055901515047>

This fee will cover your shirt, give you exclusive access to ATSC events, and Alabama tennis social leagues.

STEP 2: Make a free USTA account. (This is only for your first time registering for a social league.)

Click here to create a FREE USTA account and click JOIN. [USTA.com](https://www.usta.com)

Click here if you need help creating a FREE USTA account. [How to Create a USTA Account using Your Email Address – USTA Online Help Center](#)

STEP 3: Register for your social league or event in Serve Tennis.

Step 1: Use the link or QR provided to register for your local social league.

Step 2: You can join a team, start a team or register alone and get paired up later.

Teams are limited to 2 people per team.

If you have a partner, one of you should create a team first. Then the other person can join by selecting “I know my team” and choosing their partner’s name from the dropdown menu. If you don’t have a partner, you can register individually by selecting “I need a team.” After completing your registration, submit your payment. You should then receive a confirmation email.

Things you need to know before you play a ATSC match:

Not available for a match: If you aren't available for a match that week, you need to email woods@alabamata.com on Monday of that week so we can get your partner another doubles partner for the week or try for another day of the week. Please include your name, your doubles partner name and the location and level of your social league in the email.

Match Balls Rule: In Serve Tennis, your match will say one team is home and one team is away. The **HOME** team will bring a can of new yellow balls for the match that day.

Match Schedule: The match schedule is listed on the Social League page on Serve Tennis. This is the same link that you used to register for the league. Each week will show you who you play.

Score Reporting: Please have **1** person from each match email India who won and the score following your match. Please include the location your league is in, the winner, and the score to woods@alabamata.com.

Time/Tardiness/No Show:

Kindness/Patience: USTA Alabama expects everyone playing in the ATSC to be kind to their opponents and please be patient as this may be the first time people have played a formal tennis match or they could be coming back from not playing tennis in a while.

Out Calls: Please remember if you are not 100% sure if the ball was in or out, count the shot as IN for your opponent.

LEGENDS LEAGUE INFORMATION:

USTA Alabama wanted to create a special place in our social league for the ones who've mastered the game and want fun, organized match play!

To qualify to play in our Legends League Alabama Tennis Social Club, you must be 60 or turning 60 the year you register to play in a social league.

To register you follow the same ATSC procedures and make sure you register for the leagues in Serve Tennis that say LEGENDS LEAGUE. If you need any help signing up, please email woods@alabamata.com or call 205-534-3234.

**If you have any questions please reach out to India Woods at
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