

USTA ADULT & FAMILY TOURNAMENTS REGULATION PROPOSAL TIMELINE

ADULT & FAMILY TOURNAMENTS REGULATION CHANGE PROCEDURES:

THE USTA ADULT & FAMILY TOURNAMENTS REGULATION CHANGE PROCEDURES AND TIMELINE SHALL BE PUBLISHED ANNUALLY, NO LATER THAN November 15. For current publication, go to www.usta.com

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WHO CAN SUBMIT A USTA ADULT and FAMILY TOURNAMENTS REGULATION CHANGE PROPOSAL:

- National Adult Competition Committee ("ACC") Members
- USTA Board
- USTA National staff (submit thru National Adult Tournaments Staff)
- USTA Sectional Associations (submit thru Section Adult Tournaments Staff)
- Individual USTA Member (Sectional Association endorsement required. The Individual should submit the proposal to his or her Section of domicile. If the Section deems it a viable proposal, the Section will submit the proposal on behalf of the individual.)
- Individual National Tournament Directors of USTA Adult Tournaments Level 1 through 3 can communicate directly through USTA National Adult Tournaments Staff.

TYPES OF USTA ADULT TOURNAMENTS REGULATION CHANGE PROPOSALS:

- Change to or clarification of an existing USTA Adult and Family Regulation
- New USTA Adult Tournaments Regulation

HOW TO SUBMIT A USTA ADULT AND FAMILY TOURNAMENTS REGULATION CHANGE PROPOSAL:

- All Change Proposals to USTA Adult and Family Tournaments Regulations MUST be:
 - Submitted, and filled out in full, on the official form: <u>Regulation and Procedure Request For A</u>
 Change Or Discussion
 - o Submitted no later than May 15.
 - Emailed the National Adult Tournaments Administrator at <u>AdultTournaments@usta.com</u> and copy <u>milagros.sequerahuss@usta.com</u>
- Regulation Change Proposals: To minimize disruption to Adult Tournaments in progress, the ACC reserves the right to amend, correct, or change any Regulation Change Proposals believed to be critical to Adult Tournaments. The process in place will be reviewed and considered for implementation at the time agreed upon by the ACC.

CRITERIA FOR USTA ADULT & FAMILY TOURNAMENTS REGULATION CHANGE PROPOSALS:

- All proposals to change the xxx should be designed to encourage tournament growth.
- All proposals to change the xxx must address a recognized deficiency in existing regulations or offer a substantial benefit to the program as a whole.
- Within reason, no regulation will be adopted that unduly restricts play opportunities or conditions at the local level.
- All proposals to change xxxx must include the following elements:
 - a. The rationale in support of the proposed change;
 - b. Description of how the proposal will encourage participation;
 - c. Empirical information (not subjective) to support the need for the proposed change. (i.e. data, survey results, etc.);
 - d. Description of how this proposal will positively impact or affect a large portion of the Adult Tournaments player population;
 - e. The proposed timeline for implementation; and
 - f. The IT and Financial impact of the proposed change.
- Absent good cause, any proposed change unfavorably considered (i.e. denied) within the past two
 calendar years may not be submitted for reconsideration. (Requests for exceptions must be submitted
 in writing to adulttournaments@usta.com.)
- Absent good cause, no regulation (add full name of document), once implemented, will be changed or deleted until it has been in effect for a minimum of one year. (Requests for exceptions must be forwarded to the Adult Tournaments Leadership and Regulation Subcommittee for approval.)
- No later than 21 days prior to the Regulation Subcommittee meeting in which regulations are vetted and addressed, the ACC and USTA Sectional Associations shall be provided the opportunity to review, comment, and vote on each proposed change. (See the attached ANNUAL REGULATION CHANGE PROPOSAL TIMELINE).
- All proposals to change the xxx are subject to the review and comment of the Chair of the Constitution and Rules Committee and Office of General Counsel.
- All proposals to change the xxxx submitted shall be processed according to the annual approved ANNUAL REGULATION CHANGE PROPOSAL TIMELINE.