

Towerpoint Tennis Club Rating Committee Guidelines

Objectives

To ensure that all Towerpoint league players are:

- Rated at a level where they have fun and are competitive, the primary objective of the EVSTL.
- Rated in an objective and consistent manner.
- Playing at a level where their ability is fair to their partners and opponents.

Rating Committee Composition

- The Committee should consist of five members serving staggered two year terms.
- The Tennis Club Coordinator will appoint two (three in alternate years) experienced league players as needed.
- The Tennis Club Coordinator will select a member as its chairperson.
- The Tennis Club Coordinator may appoint ad hoc members as needed.

Rating Committee Responsibilities

- Post dated copies of the current Guidelines and request forms at the courts.
- Conduct on-court evaluations.
- Monitor players for potential move-up and move-down based on observed skills and statistics accumulated during league play.
- Convene committee meeting with a minimum of 3 members:
 - Early fall . . . to review the guidelines and procedures with all Rating Committee members.
 - Mid-December . . . to review player league statistics, especially for players on the verge of moving up or down.
 - Early-February . . . to review player league statistics, especially for players on the verge of moving up or down.

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- Mid-March . . . to make move-up and move-down recommendations to the Tennis Club Coordinator.
- March . . . to make recommendations for changes to these guidelines to the Tennis Club Coordinator.

On-court Evaluation Criteria

Eligibility Requirements Members new to the Towerpoint Tennis Club or members returning due to injury or absence lasting a full season or more will be evaluated upon their request as soon as possible to determine their level of play. Returning members will be evaluated at their previous playing level.

Evaluation Procedure

- The request forms for an on-court evaluation should be available on the court bulletin board or from the Rating Committee Chairperson.
- The evaluation should be scheduled within the next week with a minimum of 3 Rating Committee Members.
- Captains of the teams from the level requested by the new or returning player will suggest at least 3 mid-level players to assist in the evaluation.
- Following the evaluation, committee members should meet to determine a temporary level assignment. This will be reported to the Tennis Club Coordinator who will meet with the respective captains to determine a team assignment. The Rating Committee may adjust the level assignment during the year if justified by on court play and record.

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3. Move-Up Criteria

1. At the end of a season, a player who has earned the Tencap rating for the next higher level with a confidence level of 80% or higher shall move to the next higher level at the start of the next season.
2. Movement of players from the 1.5 level to the 2.0 level is determined by the rules of the Towerpoint Tennis club. Movement of 1.5 players to a level other than 2.0 must be approved by the Tencap Advisory Committee

4. Move-Down Criteria

1. At the end of a season, a player who has earned the Tencap rating for the next lower level with confidence level of 80 % or higher shall move to the next lower level at the start of the next season. Players at the 2.0 level shall not be required to move to the 1.5 level due to a Tencap rating, although players may be encouraged to do so if appropriate.
2. A club may not move a player down to a lower level of play for any reason other than long-term health issues, disabilities due to the aging process, or as noted in the "move-down criteria" section G.1 above.