



TO: JTT For Kids Coaches
FROM: Mimi Kennell
DATE: November 28, 2018
RE: 2019 SPRING SEASON

Welcome to Junior Team Tennis for Kids! Youngsters will have the opportunity to play on a team with their friends, and develop fundamentals that will become the foundation of their game.

To ensure a safe and fun environment for all participants, the USTA developed "Safe Play." Safe Play embodies the USTA's commitment to respect and safety for every individual participating in a USTA event or program through the use of screening, education and reporting tools. If you were approved last season, you do not have to submit another application this season. The background screen will expire exactly two years from the date the background screen was initiated. Go to: <https://www.usta.com/en/home/about-usta/who-we-are/national/usta-safe-play-background-screening.html> for more information.

Here is some important information regarding the background check process:

- The deadline to submit your background screening application is **Friday, 2/8/2019**. No extensions shall be granted after the deadline. If you miss the deadline, you will not be able to participate as a coach in the league this season.
- The results will be generated in approximately 10 days and will be receiving by email either a green light or red light. If you receive a green light, then you're cleared. If you receive a red light, then you will not be eligible to participate.
- Each team is allowed (2) coaches at no cost for the background screening. If adding a third or fourth coach, the cost shall be the responsibility of the coach as follows: \$20 for each additional coach. Please let me know if you plan to have more than two coaches. I'll need to forward you a separate link to go to.
- TennisLink will not allow you access to create a team until your background check is cleared. Please remember the sooner you submit your application, the sooner you can register your players.
- **Players must be at least 7 years of age on or during the current season to be eligible to participate in the JTT for Kids league.**
- **Youth Player Progression eligibility rules applied to all players. Coaches are responsible to check each player's eligibility prior to registering the player on the team. Ineligible players will be disqualified right away and no youth progression points will be awarded.**

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Wednesday, 1/23

TENNISLINK OPEN FOR REGISTRATION

- 1) Go to <http://tennislink.usta.com/TeamTennis/Main/HomePage.aspx>
- 2) Register yourself as a coach (if you are a first timer)
- 3) Create your team and get a team ID number
- 4) Rosters must have the minimum number of (4) players required to field a team. See Rules and Regulations. Collect Registration Forms and Player League fees \$33 per player, Pay league fees online using a credit card.

Wednesday, 1/30

DEADLINE

- 1) Team Entry Confirmation Form - E-mail to: kennell@hawaii.usta.com
- 2) Supply Fee \$40 per team (*mandatory for orange ball division*)
Note: teams can purchase their own balls
Make check payable to: USTA/HPS, Attention: Mimi Kennell, 1888 Kalakaua Avenue, C309, Honolulu, HI 96815.

Friday, 2/8

DEADLINE

Complete Background Screening Application.

Go to <http://tennislink.usta.com/TeamTennis/Main/HomePage.aspx>

Friday, 2/15

PARENT/NEW COACH TRAINING – Please contact Mimi Kennell at kennell@hawaii.usta.com to request training for new parents and coaches.

Friday, 2/22

DEADLINE

- 1) Positive Role Model Form – mail to HPS office
- 2) Waiver / Media Forms – mail to HPS office
- 3) Last day to pickup supplies - make arrangements with Mimi at 585-9533
- 4) Last day to register players

Saturday, 2/23

SEASON PLAY BEGINS

Saturday, 5/4

SEASON PLAY ENDS

Saturday, 5/11

SEASON FINALE – CORP