

2021 Competitive Junior Tennis In The United States **Net Generation PlayTracker (For 10 and Under)**

The United States Tennis Association (USTA) divides competitive junior tennis into four general playing parts: 1). Junior Team Tennis; 2). Junior Tournament Tennis; 3). Team Challenge Events and 4). USTA Junior Circuit Events.

The 10 and under players are tracked by PlayTracker which daily keeps track of their competitive play. Players are given participation points (100) for entering a tournament and 100 points for winning a singles match and 50 doubles. A player may win up to 400 points in any single tournament. There are no ranking lists for the 10's.

Age Categories

5-7 - playing with red balls is recommended but not required.

7-8 - play with orange balls (after accumulating 1,000 points or after being evaluated by your official USPTA or PTR coach you may move to green dot)

9-10 - plays with green dot balls (must reach 1,500 points to move to yellow ball)

*1,000 pts. must come from match wins More Details - Net Generation PlayTracker

Note: In the month juniors reach 11, 13, 15 and 17 they must play the next higher age category (12's, 14's, 16's & 18's) using yellow balls. BG = Boys and Girls.

As of 2017, for safety reasons if your child is 14 and under, a parent profile account must be set up to link to the child. The parent obtains USTA junior membership and sets up the account at **www.usta.com**.

**** Signing Up To Play USTA Junior Team Tennis** (beg. intermed. adv.)

1. Get a USTA Junior Membership after the parent sets up an account.

2. Go to **www.usta.com** / click on youth / click on play / click on Junior Team Tennis. *Note: Get your team number from the coach. Now Login/Register to Play. **Note: We are the Midwest Section & S.E. Mich District (Example)***

***** Signing Up To Play USTA Junior Tournament Tennis** (7-6-5-4-3-2-1 levels)

Level 7-6 (Low Intermed.-intermed.) / Level 5-4 (high intermed-advance) / Level 3-1 (advance-highest skill)

1. Get a USTA Junior Membership/Set up a parent profile account to link to child.

2. Go to **www.usta.com** / click on youth / click on play / click on Tournaments. Search by Section and District. Select age category, time period and level.

*** Signing Up For Team Challenge Events** - (Varying novice skills and ball types)

1. Go to **www.usta.com** /click on youth / click on play / click on Section and District and time period. Purpose - expose juniors to fun, informal play where they may play with friends and others.

*** Signing Up For USTA Junior Circuit Events** - (Introductory level competition)

Go to **www.usta.com** /click on youth/play/tournaments/section/district/ listed below level 7. These are usually two-four hour events using orange, green dot or yellow balls. They can be of different age categories.

Remember there are "standing lists" and "ranking lists" for players in the 12-18 ages.

Standing List-Bi-weekly rolling list based on play last year and currently in more than one age category.

Ranking List-Based on play Jan.1-Dec.31. (Youtube-USTA Ranking Pts For Jrs. - posted by Serve Tennis)