



**Southern Combo Doubles, 2009  
East Central MS, Local League Rules**

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Combo Doubles League registration opens on TennisLink **July 26, 2009**.

Deadline for adding Teams via TennisLink is **August 16, 2009**.

Captain's meeting **August 18, 2009 @ Magnolia Tennis Club, Columbus @ 6:30 pm**.

Adult & Senior League play begins **August 22, 2009**.

Adult & Senior League play ends **October 31, 2009**.

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**Team captains are responsible for:**

1. Educating team members about the League Rules.
2. Providing courts and balls
3. Attending the Team Captain's meeting (or a team member)  
**August 18, 2009 @ Magnolia Tennis Club, Columbus @ 6:30 pm**
4. Scheduling matches and phone or email visiting captain the day before the match.
5. Reporting match scores via TennisLink *within 48 hours* of match play.
6. Providing the team number to players and make sure they are registered before they play a match..

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All USTA, STA, MTA rules apply.

The minimum number of team matches will be four.

The match format will be best two out of three sets.

No match will be forfeited by an entire team without consequences.

For the Adult & Senior Combo League, a minimum of two positions must be played.

Any changes in schedules should be reported to the league coordinator as soon as they are made.

All players must be registered on TennisLink prior to playing a match.

Email addresses are required for each team captain.

The National Tennis Rating Program (NTRP) is the official system for rating levels of competition in Southern Combo Doubles. **Players who do not have a computer rating on file in TennisLink must self-rate in accordance with the National Tennis Rating Program (NTRP) Guidelines and complete the self-rating process on TennisLink when registering for a team.**

**.A player may not be dynamically disqualified based on match results from Southern Combo Doubles and match results are not calculated in year-end NTRP computer ratings.**

All participants must play at least **one** match locally to be eligible for further competition. If there is no local competition offered, a team may advance directly to the Southern Combo Doubles State Championship.

A participant may play on more than one team; however, a participant may not play on more than one adult or senior team in the **same level in the same local league.**

However, a participant may play on the same level adult and senior teams. A player may play the same NTRP level in two different local leagues as long as that player is playing on a team in their Local League area..

**Players who qualify for the State Championship may advance on more than one adult team and more than one senior team but must understand that there will be no special scheduling consideration given. Players that qualify for Sectionals on more than one team must choose which team they will advance with.**

- Age Eligibility: you must turn 19 during the calendar year for Southern Combo League and 50 during the calendar year for Southern Combo Senior League.
- Match dates may not be changed unless both captains agree. Exception: Weather--rain or severe cold (40~ or lower).
- Cancelled matches must be rescheduled within one week of the cancelled date and reported to the LLC.
- If matches are in progress, rain delays must wait at least 30 minutes unless both captains agree to postpone the match immediately.
- Any match date or time that cannot be agreed upon by both captains, shall be referred to the LLC.
- Cell phones: If a cell phone rings on the court during a point, the player who owns the cell phone loses the point. A player may not use or talk on the cell phone while on the court. The rule also applies to “beeping” pagers.

Southern Combo Doubles State Championship, **December 4-6**, Jackson, MS

Southern Combo Doubles Southern Sectional Championship, January 22 - 26, 2010, Mobile, AL

*NOTE: SOUTHERN COMBO DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.*

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