

# Hey USTA League Captains!



## Do you ever need help finding players to join your team?

If so, we have a new feature that makes it easier than ever for teams like your to connect new and current players.

## A GUIDE TO THREE NEW TEAM TYPES FOR USTA LEAGUE

### CLOSED



Players must have your team number to join just as all USTA League teams are currently set up today.

### CLOSED BUT SEEKING



While your team is closed, you have the option to receive emails about players that are looking to join a team at your level in your area.

### OPEN



Players can find and register directly onto your team without needing a team number.

**Closed:** Teams that are designated as closed, which is the default team type, is for teams with a full roster or if your team is part of a private club.

**Closed But Seeking:** This new option is best for teams that just want more information on new players or players looking for a new team. When a player signs up as seeking a team, you'll receive their NTRP level, a note from the player, and their contact information so you can get in touch with them about joining your team.

**Open:** This new option is best for teams without full rosters who are also looking to provide as much opportunity as possible for new USTA League players. When a new players joins your team you will receive an email that includes their contact information so you can get in touch with them about the upcoming or current season.

If your team is designated as open, you as a captain can also add a Captain's Note with specifics of what kind of player you are trying to find for your team, or the team atmosphere you're looking to establish. For example, "Looking for strong singles players!" or "We're just looking to have fun - we grab food afterwards, win or lose!" You can set up your Captain's Note by sending it to your Local League Coordinator.

# HOW TO

**For Captains whose league allows the captain to create a team number online when registering the team:** You can include your Captain's Note yourself during setup. If you need to change your team type or your Captain's Note later on, you will need to contact your Local League Coordinator.

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## How do I change my team type during the season?

**Contact your Local League Coordinator** if you need to change your team type during the season. If you are changing your team type to open, make sure to also send your Captain's Note as it will be displayed for players searching for a team.

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## For Players: New "Seeking a Team" Feature

Players that are new to USTA League or simply don't have a team yet will now be able to sign up directly onto any open team or they can sign up as **Seeking a Team**.

When a player signs up as Seeking a Team, you as the captain will receive an email with the player's contact information, NTRP Rating, and a note from that player so you can see if they would be a good fit.

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**These options make it easier than ever to get new players onto your team and onto the court! Have any questions on the new team types? Contact your Local League Coordinator at [usta.com/en/home/play/adult-tennis/programs/national/usta-league-section-coordinators.html](https://usta.com/en/home/play/adult-tennis/programs/national/usta-league-section-coordinators.html)**

