

## Rec FAQ's

Question: How do Tencap captains ensure that they have enough courts for Tencap teams if they need to commit extra courts for Rec play?

Answer: Tencap captains should set aside the maximum number of courts that they would need according to the lineups that both captains enter, anticipating that lines will be filled with playups/playdowns and OM players/teams. If captains find that they don't need as many courts as first anticipated, they could notify the Rec Team Facilitator that there are additional courts for Rec play.

*Example: LW has 3 lines of men and 2 lines of ladies, and MV has 2 lines of men and 3 lines of ladies. The home captain should keep 3 courts for 2 rounds in the hopes that LW will get a ladies team and MV will get a men's team from the OM spreadsheet, or by utilizing playups/playdowns in order to even out the lines. In this case, if the home club has 4 courts available for league play, then they would let the Rec Team Facilitator know that they have 1 court for 2 rounds available when both captains have entered their lineups 5 days before play. Once OM players/teams are assigned 2 days before play, additional courts may be available for Rec play and captains should notify facilitators.*

Question: What if our club has enough teams that our courts are being used for Tencap play every week?

Answer: The club's Rec Team Facilitator will need to communicate with the home team captains to determine how many courts are available for Rec play. This situation may happen often on Thursdays since both the 1.5's and 4.0's play on this day.

Question: What if we have more Rec players than courts available at the home and away teams' clubs?

Answer: Once OM players/teams have been assigned (2 days before play), the Team Facilitators can contact the OM Coordinator for their level to see how many courts are available at the club that is hosting OM matches for their level that week. (We may be able to build these requests into the OM spreadsheet.) If we find that we still don't have enough courts, we can start contacting clubs to see if they have extra courts.

Question: What if a Tencap player doesn't get a Tencap match or placed in an OM? Would they be able to play in a Rec match?

Answer: The club will be deciding if/how players will be allowed to move between Tencap and Rec play. If the club decides that extra Tencap players can play Rec, the captain would notify the Rec Team Facilitator that this player is available to play Rec as soon as possible.

Question: What if a club decides to not participate in the Rec Trial, then player(s) decide they want to play after the beginning of the season?

Answer: The Rec Trial is very flexible. Players can be added/removed from the list of interested players at any time during the trial season. The club would need to assign a Club Rec Coordinator if they have not already done so. This person can act as the Rec Team Facilitator if there are only a few interested players. Even if a club has decided to not participate in Rec, they could send out a request for players if the opposing team has players participating in Rec. These clubs may find that they have players interested in Rec after-the-fact.

Question: How do we determine the level for players who have been out of playing league for a while?

Answer: According to the guidelines, Rec players will use their Tencap rating to determine their level of play OR they can play at the last league level that they played OR they may be placed at a level as determined by their club. New players should receive an on-court evaluation. Hopefully most of these players have been playing round-robin or with other groups which will be helpful in placing them at an appropriate level. They can be encouraged to switch to another level if the Team Facilitator notices that the player is noticeably better or worse than the other players. However, the main goal is to get players back on the courts.

Question: Should the away club provide snacks for Rec players?

Answer: This would be a club decision and would probably depend on how many Rec players are scheduled to play. It's always a nice gesture to offer coffee and light snacks.

Question: What if a host club has four Rec players from the visiting club using a court, thereby depriving members from the host club from using that court?

Answer: The visiting club should make an effort to schedule this match at their home court. This situation should not happen very often, unless a club is playing a team that isn't participating in Rec Play. If Rec players are paying EVSTL dues, then they have the right to take up a court.

Question: Can Rec players participate in the tournaments?

Answer: This decision would be left up to the clubs that host the tournaments.