



UTR FAQs – General Questions

What is the Universal Tennis Rating?

- UTR is a number that provides a real and accurate measurement of a player's skill level.
- If you have zero match results, you'll receive an Estimated UTR. But one match result is all it takes to receive a projected UTR. After about six matches, your UTR becomes fully reliable. And as matches are played and entered into the system, your UTR will increase or decrease over time to reflect your current skill level.
- Some players have a UTR that features a blue checkmark. That means the player has a Verified UTR. Verified UTR is what college coaches, tournament providers, and tennis analysts look at for recruiting, event entry, team line-ups, and player evaluations for high-level competition.
- Only results from verified third-party event providers and tournament directors, such as official high school matches or sanctioned adult leagues and tournaments, count towards a player's Verified UTR. Those events are heavily vetted to ensure the integrity of a player's Verified UTR. Scores from non-verified events do not count towards Verified UTR.

How UTR is calculated

UTR rates every tennis player, across age, gender, and geography, on a 16-point scale. It's an objective, results-driven rating based on:

- Strength of opponent
- Games won
- Your last 30 matches within 12 months

Your UTR can change even if you don't play because people you have played continue to play. If there is more than a 2-point difference between players' UTR, there is little or no impact on UTR ratings.

How does Waverley Tennis use UTR?

Waverley (via Club Zone/Tennis Results On-line TROLS) are uploading player results for the purposes of enabling weekly competition results to contribute to player UTRs. All results are uploaded.

- Currently a weekly upload of results — a cycle of competition may mean your results are delayed by a week.
- Process to correct incorrect scores, names, DOBs being developed and refined (discussed in "What to do if scores need to be corrected.")

Why don't I have a UTR?

If you are:

- Playing Green Ball competition (with green dot balls) — your results are not uploaded to UTR Sports. This is because this grade of play is about enjoying playing, learning and enjoying the game of tennis. At this level, the results from week to week can be so variable that they are not an accurate reflection of a player's ability. Once a player moves to yellow ball graded competition, then your results will be uploaded.
- A new player to competition and your results aren't in the system yet. We batch upload results each week, so wait a couple of weeks and results should start coming through. Also make sure you create a UTR Sports account so that you claim your results.

