CONTINUING EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

USPTA Professionals are given numerous opportunities to grow professionally. These include:

I. Conferences
   A. Division Conferences
      1. Seminars, specialty courses and round tables covering teaching, business, facility management and sport science
      2. Division mid-year meetings in addition to yearly conventions
   B. World Conference
      1. Seminars, specialty courses and round tables covering teaching, business, facility management, and sport science
      2. Resource for DVD production
   C. Other conferences and education events offered throughout the country

II. Distance learning
   A. TennisResources.com – USPTA’s online education library includes:
      1. Lessons and drills
      2. On Court with USPTA full length episodes
      3. Seminars
      4. Specialty Courses
      5. Webinars
   B. DVDs

III. Designations and other degrees
   A. Accredited Professional Coach (APC)
   B. Specialist Degrees
      1. Competitive Player Development
      2. Facility Management
      3. Pro Shop Operations
      4. Wheelchair Tennis
   C. Certification Options
      1. Platform Tennis
      2. Wheelchair Tennis
      3. Pickleball

USPTA MEMBER BENEFITS

- $6 Million of on-court and in-classroom liability coverage
- Wilson racquets and accessories
- Nike/Fromuth apparel and shoes
- Wilson tennis balls
- Health insurance assistance
- Supplemental Savings Plan
- Admission to US Open Series events
- TennisResource.com (drills, videos, and lesson plans for coaches and pros)
- More benefits at uspta.com/Benefits

Why Join

Elevating the standards of tennis-teaching professionals and coaches
The United States Professional Tennis Association is the global leader in tennis-teacher certification and professional development, with more than 12,000 members worldwide. We offer unequaled opportunities for you to improve your teaching skills and increase your business knowledge. USPTA certification proves that you have passed theoretical and practical testing to demonstrate your tennis and teaching skills.

Because today’s tennis teachers are expected to assume a variety of business and social responsibilities in addition to their traditional job functions, USPTA provides training and educational opportunities to help you meet these challenges.

USPTA professionals have job titles including general manager, director of tennis, assistant professional and coach. They direct tennis businesses, develop tennis programming, oversee tennis operations, teach lessons and coach individual players and teams. They perform their jobs at all types of facilities, such as private and commercial clubs, public tennis centers and parks, colleges and schools.

USPTA members also work as pro shop owners, manufacturers, manufacturer representatives, club managers and association executives. Other members use their tennis backgrounds to work as sport psychologists, nutrition experts, television executives and more.

USPTA offers a wealth of professional benefits to its members, including on-court liability insurance, health insurance assistance and a supplemental savings plan. Simply put, there is no faster and easier way to kick-start a long and successful career in tennis than through USPTA.

**WHY SHOULD YOU JOIN USPTA?**

**STEPS TO CERTIFICATION**

**STEP 1** Complete the application
- Choose a test date and site and include the information on your application.
- Review the Exam Prep Options chart (on the right) and determine which plan works best for you.
- Application fee and prorated dues are due when you submit your application. (See the fee schedule at uspta.com or call USPTA.) The nonrefundable application fee covers all administrative costs, an email version of study materials, the online or live PTCA I, the Certification Exam and test processing.

**STEP 2** Register and complete Coach Youth Tennis online courses

**STEP 3** Take the USPTA Certification Exam
Get started at uspta.com/HowToJoin

**Professional Tennis Coaches Academy I**

The PTCA I is a required review course that is offered online or on-site at the testing location. The online course combines audio, visual and text formats, as well as short quizzes at the end of each section to optimize the learning and review experience. Topics covered include teaching skills, business and programming, advanced player development, a history of tennis and grips.

**CERTIFICATION EXAM PREP OPTIONS**

**Option 1**
- PTCA I online review course
- Coach Youth Tennis
- On-court exams
- Online exams (written, grips)

**Option 2**
- PTCA I live review course at testing site
- Coach Youth Tennis
- On-court exams
- Online exams (written, grips)