



Dear USAPA Member,

*Today, September 30, 2018, the USAPA Board and Staff along with the team at PickleballTournaments.com are excited to announce the release of the 3rd Phase UTPRs! This is the foundation rating for calculating your UTPR going forward and there will be no more Phases. Your UTPR can be viewed in your Member Profile on the USAPA.org website. [Click here.](#)***

As a part of Phase 3 - Refine, Appeal and Educate, we have highlighted important information that will help with where we are today and what members can expect in the coming months. Please read all of the information carefully as it provides guidance on the 3rd phase UTPRs, how to register for upcoming tournaments and how to appeal your rating.

We appreciate the patience that everyone has demonstrated throughout this process. This is a giant step for our sport!

*Sincerely
Your USAPA Ratings Team*

Where are we today?

1. The *UTPR Player Review Phase* has officially ended.
2. The *UTPR Refine, Appeal and Educate Phase* has begun.
3. The 3rd and final UTPRs have been released and can be viewed in your USAPA Member profile. [Click here.](#)**
4. During this phase:
 - o the USAPA legacy rating remains the current and official USAPA rating.
 - o player UTPR calculations begin running in the background, parallel to the USAPA legacy system.
 - o UTPRs can be appealed using the [UTPR Appeal Guidelines](#).
5. The *UTPR Refine, Appeal and Educate Phase* ends on December 31, 2018.

What is the Phase 3 UTPR release?

1. The Phase 3 UTPR release consists of player inputs, data scrubs and algorithm refinements from the Phase 1 and 2 UTPR releases based on tournament results from June 2015-to-date.
2. The 3rd UTPR release may be different from your current USAPA legacy rating and past UTPR releases.
3. Players may expect a +/- .75 shift from their current USAPA legacy rating. Many of your peers will experience a similar shift since the ELO Method treats all players equally.
4. The 3rd UTPR release will be the starting point for your dynamic UTPR.

What's next?

1. Every Friday, beginning October 12th, USAPA Members can view their updated UTPRs.
2. Your UTPR will not change unless you participated in a tournament the previous week.
3. Players may access their weekly UTPR updates through the USAPA Members Area page after logging on the USAPA.org** website.
4. December 31, 2018 marks the beginning of the first quarterly 2-digit UTPR update.
5. The UTPRs become the official USAPA rating on January 1, 2019.

What does this mean for tournament registrations?

1. Tournaments that opened registration before January 1, 2019, will use the official USAPA legacy rating for registration. Players will play at the rating he/she used at time of registration.
2. Tournaments that open registration after December 31, 2018, will use the official UTPRs for registration. Players will play at the rating he/she used at time of registration.

During this phase the UTPR algorithms' performance will be closely monitored.

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