

Moving Up and Down in the EVSTL

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The method to move up/down in level is through tracking the performance of Wins/Losses as provided by item H of this Section. Men and Women will be on the same team, whenever possible. All moves up/down are on an individual basis. Scheduled League play will be at the levels of 2.0 through 4.5.

XIV “H” : EVSTL League Play

1. Mandatory Move Up/Move Down Criteria
 - a. A player winning less than 30% of their games when playing Line 3 or lower and who has not won at least two matches during the season will move down at the end of the season.
 - b. A player that has won 75% of their matches and 55% of their games while playing at line 1 or line 2 must move up at the end of the season. This does not apply to 4.5+ players.
 - c. Playing Up games/matches do not count toward the criteria of 1 and 2 above.
 - d. This Section does not supersede Section IX.G regarding player re-evaluation.
 - e. Only matches played at line 1 and line 2 are considered for mandatory move up. If a player plays fewer than 8 matches on line 1 or 2, but meets the criteria to move up, the player’s club will determine whether sufficient matches have been played to demonstrate whether the player is ready for the next level.
 - f. Only matches played at lines 3 or lower are considered for a mandatory move down. If a player plays less than 8 matches at line 3 or lower and has not won at least 30% of their games, the player’s club will determine whether sufficient matches have been played to demonstrate that the player should be moved down.
 - g. Move down criteria does not apply to 2.0 players.
2. Substitutions
 - a. At the request of the captains, a player may play up, but not down.
3. Recommendations for Play
 - a. Captains are encouraged to have players play with a variety of team members throughout the season.
 - b. Consider Win/Loss percentages in making player pairs to have more competitive matches.
 - c. After all available players at a level have procured a match, then encourage play up at the club to increase matches and court utilization.