

# 2025 US OPEN TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

## 2025 BUTTERFLY US OPEN TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS Presented by Butterfly

### A FIVE-STAR USATT SANCTIONED EVENT

**Organizer:** USA Table Tennis and Bowmar Sports

**Partners:** Visit Myrtle Beach, Myrtle Beach Sports Center

Dates: August 29-31, 2025

The Butterfly US Open Teams Championships is a USATT sanctioned 5-star event that will be held at the **Myrtle Beach Sports Center**, in **Myrtle Beach, South Carolina**.

The Tournament will be held during a three-day competition over Labor Day weekend.

**Registration:** Enter early to ensure your spot in this popular tournament with top players, lots of play, exhibits and an excited large fan base. The Registration is conducted exclusively through [www.omnipong.com](http://www.omnipong.com)

Team Fee Structures	Deadline	Cancellation Policy	Team Fee
Before or At 2024 US Open	December 21, 2024	\$250 Non-Refundable	\$899.00
Early Bird	March 1, 2025	\$250 Non-Refundable	\$999.00
Regular Deadline	July 20, 2025	\$250 Non-Refundable	\$1099.00

Registration Limit: 150 Teams

Registration Fee: \$50/player



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## Ready to Play? Bring it to The Beach!

When athletes aren't competing in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, they're still playing. With 60 miles of beaches, amusement, and water park rides, 2,000+ restaurants, free live music all over the place and endless attractions, athletes and fans of all ages are going to have fun in Myrtle Beach.

With world-class sports facilities, endless entertainment, and the finest Southern hospitality around, team bonding has never been this fun. Check out [visitmyrtlebeach.com/things-to-do](http://visitmyrtlebeach.com/things-to-do) to find out more about fun-filled entertainment options at The Beach!

## Equipment:

- Butterfly Centrefold 25
- Butterfly Europa 25
- Nittaku Premium 3\* 40+ provided by Paddle Palace
- All Courts will be Floored

## Hotels

- **There will be discounted ROOM RATES!!! Please check back later to secure a group rate.**

## Tournament Officials

- Tournament Director: Vlad Farcas
- Tournament Referee: TBD
- If an umpire is available, a certified umpire will be assigned by the Tournament Referee at the request of any player in a match.

## Prizes:

- Division 1 - Champion: \$10,000, Finalist - \$5,000, Semi-Finalist - \$2,000, QF- \$899
- Division 2 - Champion: \$2,000, Finalist - \$1,000
- Division 3-5 - Champion: Free Entry to 2026 US Open Team Championships

In all Divisions, Finalists will receive award cups, plaques, medals or trophies. All Prize money will be paid by check.

**Membership:** USATT Pro Membership is required for participation in 2025 US Open Teams Championships



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## Format:

- On Friday, teams will play 2, 3, or 4 matches (most teams will play 4) and will be placed in a division based on each team's performance. All divisions, except Division 1, will be split into 2 round robin groups of 6 teams. Most teams will play 5 matches on Saturday and 2 on Sunday. Teams finishing in the top 2 places in their half of the division will play in the semifinals, and the winning teams will advance to the finals. Regardless of the placement in division round robin you will still play 2 divisional final placement matches on Sunday. Most Teams will play 11 team ties throughout the 3-day of competition.
- For Division 1, the top 4 teams are seeded directly into the division. The other 16 teams will qualify from the preliminaries. Division 1 will consist of 4 groups of 5 teams. The top 2 teams from each RR will advance to the SE Playoffs. Third place teams will play a crossover for positions 9-12; 4th place teams will play crossover for positions 13-16, and fifth place teams will play crossover for positions 17-20.
- Each team match, except the SE Playoffs of Division 1, will consist of 3 players from each team (chosen from the full complement of 3-5), playing in a Swaythling Cup, best of 9 format. Individual matches will be 3 out of 5 games and must be played in order. Once a team has reached 5 matches won, no further matches will be played (and matches in progress will be abandoned). One team will be ABC, and the other will be XYZ. A coin flip determines which team captain gets the first choice between ABC and XYZ.
- For Division 1, teams will play the above 9-match Swaythling Cup format for divisional matches, and the Swaythling Cup 5-match format for the SE Playoffs. The 9-match format is A v X, B v Y, C v Z, B v X, A x Z, C v Y, B v Z, C v X, A v Y. 5-match format is A v X, B v Y, C v Z, A v Y, B v X.

## Venue Food Policy

**No outside food, drink, or coolers allowed to be brought into the convention center. There will be food, water, and concessions available inside the venue.**



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## USATT TOURNAMENT COACHING POLICY

An adult (a person over the age of 18) must be fully Safe Sport Compliant to coach and/or provide tournament in-match playing advice from the coach's corner to a Minor Athlete (person under the age of 18).

A parent and/or legal guardian is permitted to coach his or her own child without being Safe Sport Compliant.

An adult is permitted to coach and/or provide tournament in-match playing advice from the coach's corner to another Adult Participant without being Safe Sport Compliant.

A minor is permitted to coach and/or provide tournament in-match playing advice from the coach's corner to another Minor Athlete without being Safe Sport Compliant. A minor is NOT PERMITTED to coach an Adult Participant (who is not the minor's parent or legal guardian), unless the Adult Participant has completed training offered by the US Center for SafeSport.

Email [Tina.Ren@USATT.org](mailto:Tina.Ren@USATT.org) for information on how to become Safe Sport Compliant.

### USATT SAFE SPORT POLICY AWARENESS AND COMPLIANCE

I understand USATT's Safe Sport Policy including the organization's Coaching Policy, which requires that all persons who are engaged in coaching activities at USATT Affiliated Member Clubs and/or USATT Sanctioned Tournaments, except parents or legal guardians coaching their own children, must be fully Safe Sport Compliant, which includes completing SafeSport Training offered by the US Center for SafeSport every year and undergoing a criminal background screen every two years.

I understand, pursuant to USATT's Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention (MAAP) Policy, all participants at USATT Sanctioned Tournaments who are over the age of 18 and have regular contact with or authority over minor athletes must complete annual SafeSport Training offered by the US Center for SafeSport.

For the purposes of USATT's MAAP Policy, "regular contact with" is defined as: "ongoing interactions during a 12-month period wherein an Adult Participant is in a role of direct and active engagement with any Minor Athlete(s)"; and "authority over" is defined as: "when one person's position over another person is such that, based on the totality of the circumstances, they have the power or right to direct, control, give orders to, or make decisions for that person."



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**Rules:** The 2025 US Open Teams Table Tennis Championship matches will be conducted under the ITTF Laws of Table Tennis. Rules of match play are determined by the Referee. All matters, issues, guidelines, and ancillary decisions beyond match play related to sponsors and tournament venue decoration will be determined by the Tournament Director in accordance with USATT Policies and Procedures, including the USATT Member Code of Conduct.

**Match Scoring:** All Matches will utilize 11-point Best-of-Five Game Rules.

**Clothing:** The USATT Dress Code will be enforced. No white clothing will be allowed. Players must wear their respective assigned player number or have their name printed on the back of their shirt when competing. Names must be large and visible to spectators. It is recommended that each player come to the table with two distinctively different colored shirts, as referees will sometimes require opponents to have different colored shirts in important matches with spectators.

**Mandatory Match Check-In:** All Teams must check in at least 30 minutes before their schedule Match. Failure to report to Control Desk at least 15 minutes before will result in Team losing the right to assign the roster, a Default Roster will be assigned by Control Desk.

**Cancellation Without Fault:** USATT will refund 50% of all entry fees paid by participants if the U.S. Open event is cancelled or partially cancelled due to acts of God, force majeure, war within the continental U.S., governmental authority, disaster strikes, civil disorder, or curtailment of transportation services that prevent at least 50% or more of USATT participation from attending the event.

**Prize Money Checks:** Prize money will not be paid for no-shows, splits, dumping, or defaults (except for verified cases of injury, illness, or emergency). Prize money checks which are not claimed at the tournament site will be mailed to the winner within one month of the conclusion of the tournament. Prize money checks that are not cashed within 120 days will be forfeited.

**Closest International Airport:** Myrtle Beach International Airport (MYR) – OVER 50 NON-STOP DESTINATIONS!!!

**Venue Address:** 2115 Sports Center Way, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

