



USATT SANCTIONED 2 STAR TOURNAMENT • \$3,585 PRIZE FUND

A HITTA Tournament



For Online Registration



February 18, 2024 PRESIDENT'S DAY tournament

DIRECTOR
Manny Velazquez
REFEREE
Chong Pang RU/CR
Umpire/DTY REFEREE
Floriss Teng RU/CR

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EVENT SCHEDULE

EVENT	DATE	START TIME	FEE	CHAMPION	FINALIST	SEMIS	LIMITS
OPEN	2.18	9:00AM	\$55	\$500	\$300	\$100	24
U2100	2.18	1:00PM	\$45	\$250	\$150	\$80	20
U1900	2.18	9:00AM	\$40	\$150	\$100	\$50	24
U1700	2.18	1:00PM	\$40	\$100	\$75	\$50	16
U1500	2.18	9:00AM	\$40	\$80	\$60	\$40	16
U1300	2.18	9:00AM	\$40	\$60	\$40	\$30	24
U1000	2.18	11:00AM	\$30	\$40	\$30	\$20	20
U800	2.18	1:00PM	\$30	\$35	\$25	\$20	12
NOVICE	2.18	4:00PM	\$20	Trophy	Trophy	Medal	Medal
U4500D	2.18	5:00PM	\$40	\$200	\$120	\$80	12 Teams
U3400D	2.18	5:00PM	\$40	\$150	\$80	\$50	12 Teams

Entry Fees:

Open \$55

Open + \$80

Rated Events U2100 U1900 U1700 U1300 U1000 U800 Novice

 \$45 \$40 \$40 \$40 \$30 \$30 \$20

U4500D
\$40

U3400D
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Doubles Partner's Name

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HITTA

Release and Waiver of Liability and Indemnity Agreement

I hereby release the Houston International Table Tennis Academy, USATT, sponsors, directors, and any individual or corporate body directly or remotely connected to this tournament in any form from any and all claims, actions and demands resulting from sickness, loss, damages or injuries sustained to persons or properties at this event. I will abide by all USATT regulations. Signature (parent or guardian if under 18 years old)

Photo and Video Release Consent

I hereby grant HITTA, USATT and/or the tournament Photographer/Agency permission to use my likeness in photograph(s) or video(s) in any and all of its publications and other media, whether now known or hereafter existing, controlled by HITTA, USATT and/or Photographer/Agency, in perpetuity, and for other use by HITTA, USATT and/or the Photographer/Agency. I will make no monetary or other claim against HITTA, USATT and/or the Photographer/Agency for the use of the photograph(s) or

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Signature of Participant	Print Name	Date
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian (If participant is under 18 y/o)	Print Name	Date

HITTA

Registration Form

Name	Phone	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
Email Address	Home Club	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Date of Birth: <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	
USATT #	Expiration Date	Current Rating
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Total Event Fees (total of events entered minus discounts)	\$
USATT Membership Fee (Basic / \$25, Pro / \$75)	\$
Voluntary Donation to USATT Team Program	\$
TOTAL	\$

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OFFICIALS

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Referee: Chong Pang, RU / CR

Chief Umpire/Deputy Referee: Floriss Teng, RU / CR

Tournament Volunteers:

Jie Chen, Tina Xiao, Khanh Do,

Xinyi Zhen, Kaye Chen, Emma Jiao, Grace Jiao,

Hao An Do, Qixuan Gu, Jensen Delaney, Lucas Peng,

Ricky Guan, Lijia Zhen, Max Cheng, Jack Cheng

MATCH CHECK IN

Players should check in at least 30 minutes before their first match and should be ready to play each match at least 15 minutes prior the scheduled starting time for each event. **PLAYERS WHO ARE NOT PRESENT AT THE TIME THEY ARE SCHEDULED TO PLAY A MATCH, WILL FORFEIT THEIR POSITION AND ENTRY FEES.**

REGISTRATION LIST

Event entries and player lists can be found on Omnipong or Stadium, under tournament section.

For questions regarding paid but unlisted entries, please contact us at:

HITTAPongGM@gmail.com

ADDITIONAL RULES

- All Local and State guidelines concerning the use of masks and vaccination status regarding Covid-19 will be enforced.
- No display and/or distribution of brochures, posters, literature, or written material will be allowed at the tournament venue unless previously approved by HITTA.
- All USATT regulations, including uniforms, equipment, conduct and language apply.
- All decisions of the Tournament Referee are considered final.
- Prizes will be forfeited in the match is not played as scheduled.
- Players are limited to no more than 4 events per day.

HOTELS

Preferred hotels near HITTA:

- **Palacio Royale Inn Signature / Boutique 2-star**
22455 Katy Fwy, Katy, TX 77450 • **(281) 392-9800**
- **Days Inn & Suites by Wyndham Katy 2-star**
20414 Julie Marie Ln, Katy, TX 77449
• **(281) 944-9029**
- **La Quinta Inn & Suites by Wyndham Houston**
15225 Katy Fwy, Houston, TX 77094
• **(281) 646-9200**

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ENTRY DEADLINE

Wednesday, February 14, 2024

RULES

Events can be cancelled or combined at the discretion of the tournament committee. No prizes will be awarded for splits, default losses or no-appear, or dumps. The rules of ITTF and USATT policies will govern the tournament. All decisions of the tournament referee are final.

RATINGS CUTOFF

Wednesday, January 31, 2024 ratings from USATT website will be used for event eligibility. Seedings are based on the most current ratings. Tournament director reserves the rights to assign ratings to unrated players for seeding purposes. Unrated players cannot advance to the prize rounds.

RATINGS FOR DOUBLES - NA

Both players in a doubles team must have either USATT tournament or league ratings. If both tournament and league ratings are available, tournament rating will be used for event eligibility. If a player has no tournament rating but has league rating not older than 1/1/2020, league rating will be used for event eligibility. If neither ratings is available, the doubles team can enter the event but will not be allowed to proceed past the round Robin stage and eligible for award.

U3400D - the combined ratings of both players is less than 3400. No player in a team can have rating above 1900.

U4500D - combined ratings of both players is less than 4500.

DRESS CODE

White shirts or shorts/skirts during play are not allowed. All USATT and ITTF rules and regulations will be followed.

MEMBERSHIP

Proof of USATT membership is required. Membership may be purchased along with tournament entry form. Adult basic membership \$25/year, Pro membership \$75/year. Players who don't want to purchase a full membership may purchase a tournament pass for \$50. *** You may purchase a tournament pass even if you were previously a USATT member or have never purchased a tournament pass.

FORMAT

Format: All events are Group Round Robin followed by Single Elimination rounds.

DEFAULTS

No prize/prize money shall be awarded for players who default any match/matches. The tournament committee reserves the right to restrict such players (who default their matches) from advancing if no satisfactory reasons are given for their defaults.

CANCELLATIONS

Only cancellations requested before Feb 5, 2024 will be considered valid. For any questions, registrations, payments, scheduling or other please contact us at: HITTAPongGM@gmail.com or call: 713-737-5310

EQUIPMENT

The tournament will feature the following 25mm top ITTF approved tables:

- Yinhe Pro 25 Table with net set.
- Tournament ball: Yinhe 3 Star Y40+ ABS balls.
- Flooring is Purple rubberized mat.

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USATT SAFESPORT PROTOCOL

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 that, pursuant to USATT's Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention 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. More information on USATT's Safe Sport Policy is available at: <https://www.teamusa.org/usa-table-tennis/athlete-safety/safe-sport>.

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PERSONS IN POSITIONS OF AUTHORITY MUST BE FULLY SAFE SPORT COMPLIANT

Under USATT Safe Sport Policy, persons holding certain Positions of Authority must complete Safe Sport Training offered by the US Center for Safe Sport (once per year) and undergo a criminal background screen (every two years). The list of Positions of Authority requiring Full Safe Sport Compliance is set out in USATT's Safe Sport Policy and the Athlete Safety Section of the USATT Website: <https://www.teamusa.org/usa-table-tennis/athlete-safety/safe-sport>.

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ADULT PARTICIPANTS REQUIRING SAFE SPORT TRAINING

Pursuant to USATT's Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy, **ALL Adult Participants** (participants over the age of 18) who have regular contact with or authority over minor aged athletes must complete SafeSport Training offered by the US Center for SafeSport every year ("SafeSport Trained").

CONTACT USATT TO BECOME SAFESPORT TRAINED AND/OR FULLY SAFE SPORT COMPLIANT

USATT is pleased to assist USATT Members in the process of becoming SafeSport Trained and/or Fully Safe Sport Compliant. Please contact USATT at admin@usatt.org for more information and guidance in this process.

MANDATORY REPORTING

There are certain circumstances where reporting a potential Safe Sport violation is mandatory. These circumstances include: (i) child abuse; (ii) sexual misconduct; (iii) emotional and physical misconduct; (iv) criminal charges and/or dispositions involving sexual misconduct or misconduct involving minors; (v) any abuse of the Safe Sport process. **Child abuse must be immediately reported to local law enforcement.** To learn more about the appropriate agency where you can submit a report of child abuse, log onto: <https://www.childwelfare.gov/topics/responding/reporting>.

HOW TO REPORT SAFE SPORT VIOLATION

Persons can report a suspected violation of USATT's Safe Sport Policy to:

1. The US Center for SafeSport at www.SafeSport.org (or by phone during regular business hours at: 720-531-0340); and/or
2. The USATT Athlete Protection Officer Mark Thompson (mark.thompson@usatt.org) (719-329-4200).

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