



2024 US OPEN TABLE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS
MANDALAY BAY RESORT AND CONVENTION CENTER
LAS VEGAS, NEVADA
DECEMBER 16 – 21, 2024

Name: _____

USATT Member No. _____ Expiration Date: _____ Rating: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State/Province: _____ ZIP: _____

Date of Birth (MONTH/DAY/YEAR): _____ / _____ / _____ Gender: _____ (M) _____ (F)

Email: _____ Cell: _____

Do you want to receive text messages regarding the tournament? _____ (yes) _____ (no)

USATT Club: _____

Please send completed form to: USA Table Tennis, 1 Olympic Plaza, Colorado Springs, CO 80909

Early Bird Entry Deadline: Received with Payment in Full no later than October 1, 2024 -

Regular Entry Dates: October 2 through November 15 - Last Call Entry: November 16 through December 1, 2024

Entries received after December 1, 2024 WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. THE ENTRY DEADLINE WILL NOT BE EXTENDED!

Events can become filled and closed with a maximum number of participants - Entries in such events is on a first come, first paid basis.

REGISTER ONLINE AT: Omnipong.com

I choose **FLAT FEE PRICING**. I can enter up to seven events for the flat fee payment. I will receive a refund in the amount of my entry fee, minus a \$75 Processing Fee, if I elect to fully withdraw from the tournament on or before December 1, 2024. I must have a doctor's note to receive my refund (Entry Fee minus \$75 Processing Fee) if I elect to withdraw from the tournament after December 1, 2024.

Flat Fee Pricing For Up to 7 Events	Early Bird Flat Fee	Regular Flat Fee	Last Call Flat Fee
	Through 10/01/2024	10/02 -11/15/2024	11/16 – 12/01/2024
	\$320	\$380	\$420
Flat Fee Pricing Extra Fee Up to 10 Events (8 – 10)	Price Per Event (8 – 10)	Price Per Event (8 – 10)	Price Per Event (8 – 10)
	Through 10/01/2024	10/02 -11/15/2024	11/16 – 12/01/2024
	\$50 Per Event	\$60 Per Event	\$80 Per Event

I choose **EVENT PRICING**. I understand that **THERE ARE NO REFUNDS WITH EVENT PRICING EXCEPT** if I withdraw from the tournament entirely **AND** I present a doctor's note, I will receive a refund of my entry fee minus a \$75 Processing Fee.

Event Fee Pricing Maximum 10 Events	Early Bird Event Fee	Regular Event Fee	Last Call Event Fee
	Through 10/01/2024	10/02 – 11/15/2024	11/16 – 12/01/2024
	\$80 Per Event	\$100 Per Event	\$120 Per Event

DOUBLES PARTNER(S) – Partner Changes Must be Received by December 1, 2024		
Event #	Event Name	Doubles Partner Name

I am going to play in Para Event(s). Class _____ Classification Needed: _____ Y _____ N

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I choose Flat Fee Pricing _____ Early Bird or _____ for Regular Fee or _____ for Last Call for Seven Events. \$ _____

I am choosing Flat Fee Pricing, but I am going to play _____ more events up to 10 (8, 9, and/or 10) for an extra fee of \$50 per event (Early Bird), \$60 per Event (Regular Fee), or \$80 per Event (Last Call). \$ _____

I choose Event Fee Pricing. I am going to play in _____ Event(s) at a cost of \$80 per event (Early Bird), \$100 per Event (Regular Fee), or \$120 per Event (Last Call). \$ _____

USATT MEMBERSHIP - TOURNAMENT PASS

All US Open Tournament Participants must be a current “Pro” or “Lifetime” Member of USATT, or such Participants must purchase a one-time \$50.00 Player Tournament Pass to participate in the 2024 US Open ONLY.

Pro Membership: \$75 (1 year) - USATT Memberships must be valid through December 21, 2024.

US Open Tournament Pass: \$50 *NOTE: The US Open Tournament Pass is for players ONLY. It is a one-time pass that serves to authorize players who are not “Pro” USATT Members to participate in the US Open. All Tournament Participants who are not USATT Pro Members MUST purchase a Tournament Pass. This includes Tournament Participants who hold a Membership in the table tennis Federation of a foreign country. There are NO exceptions. \$ _____

COACHING CREDENTIAL and COACHING AUTHORIZATION STICKER

USATT LICENSED COACH: A “USATT Licensed Coach” (completed USATT and/or ITTF Training; current full Safe Sport Compliance; current USATT Pro Membership; and current USATT Coaching License) will be granted one (non-transferrable) Coaching Credential for the duration of the tournament free of charge. The Coaching Credential is valid for entry into the playing hall. Safe Sport Compliance, USATT Pro Membership, and USATT Coaching License must be current and valid through December 21, 2024.

COACHING AUTHORIZATION STICKER: For persons who are not Licensed USATT Coaches, in order to coach and/or provide in-match tournament playing advice to a registered playing participant from the coach’s corner, such person must display a Coaching Authorization Sticker. See USATT Tournament Coaching Policy on Page Three of Prospectus. There is no charge for a Coaching Authorization Sticker.

Unless a person is a registered player in the 2024 US Open or a USATT Licensed Coach, each person must pay either the Day Fee or Tournament Pass Fee to gain entry into the Playing Hall.

VIP PASS

US OPEN VIP PASS includes VIP Seating and VIP Lounge Access with finger food, beverages, and USATT Gift Swag.

VIP Pass: \$100 Per Day \$150 For Finals Only \$699 for Full Week (Includes Finals) \$ _____

SPECTATOR DAY or FULL TOURNAMENT PASS

All persons not actually playing in the 2024 US Open must have a Spectator Day or Full Tournament Pass

6-Day Spectator Pass (Finals Included): \$100 Day Pass: \$20 Finals Day Pass Only: \$40 \$ _____

Support Our National Team! All donations are 100% tax deductible and will be used specifically to support National Team programs. \$10 \$25 \$50 \$100 Other \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE: Including all Fees, Special Offers, and Donations \$ _____

Make Checks Payable To USA Table Tennis or pay by credit card: VISA / MASTERCARD / DISCOVER / AMEX

A \$75 processing fee will be charged on all returned checks

Name on the card: _____

Billing address if different from registration page: _____

Card #: _____ EXP _____ / _____ CVC _____

Signature: _____

PRIMARY SPONSORS

BUTTERFLY 

Paddle  **Palace**

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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 for information on how to become Safe Sport Compliant.

2024 US OPEN - MANDATORY COACHING CREDENTIAL / COACHING AUTHORIZATION STICKER

All persons serving as a coach and/or providing tournament in-match playing advice from the coach’s corner to another participant are required to properly display a Licensed Coach Credential or a Coaching Sticker on a credential indicating that such person has been approved by the Tournament Director to serve in this capacity.

USATT Licensed Coaches will receive, free of charge, a credential which authorizes the Licensed Coach to coach and/or provide in-match playing advice from the coach’s corner to all participants, including Minor Athletes, at the 2024 US Open.

Persons who are fully Safe Sport Compliant (but are not a USATT Licensed Coach), can receive, upon request, a Coaching Sticker authorizing them to coach and/or provide in-match playing advice from the coach’s corner to all participants, including Minor Athletes, at the 2024 US Open.

Parents/Legal Guardians seeking to coach and/or provide in-match playing advice to their own child can receive, upon request, a Coaching Sticker authorizing them to sit in the coach’s corner for their child’s matches.

Adults who are not Safe Sport Compliant but are seeking to provide in-match playing advice from the coach’s corner to Adult Participants can receive, upon request, a Coaching Sticker authorizing them to sit in the coach’s corner for such matches.

Minors seeking to coach and/or provide in-match playing advice from the coach’s corner to Minor Athletes can receive, upon request, a Coaching Sticker authorizing them to sit in the coach’s corner for such matches.

ENTRY INTO THE PLAYING HALL FOR THE 2024 US OPEN

There is no cost to obtain a Coaching Authorization Sticker, however all persons, except for credentialed Players and USATT Licensed Coaches, must purchase a Day Pass or a Full Tournament Pass to gain entry into the playing hall.

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. “

**RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF THE RISK
AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT**

2024 US Open Table Tennis Championships

Release and Waiver of Liability, Assumption of the Risk and Indemnity Agreement

Dates: December 16 - 21, 2024

IN CONSIDERATION of being permitted to participate in any way in USA Table Tennis sanctioned events, I and/or minor child, our personal representatives, assigns, heirs, and next of kin:

ACKNOWLEDGE, agree, and represent that I and/or minor-aged child understand and assume the nature and risks of Table Tennis Activities, including but not limited to risks involved in the sport itself together with all risks, known and unknown, associated with gatherings of people ("Activities"), including the exposure to COVID-19, coronavirus, or other infectious organisms or diseases; and that I and/or minor child are qualified, in good health, and in proper physical condition to participate in such Activities. I further agree that if at any time I believe conditions or equipment to be unsafe, I and/or minor child will immediately discontinue further participation in the Activities.

FULLY UNDERSTAND that (a) TABLE TENNIS ACTIVITIES INVOLVE RISKS AND DANGERS OF SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, INCLUDING PERMANENT DISABILITY, PARALYSIS, DISMEMBERMENT, AND DEATH ("RISKS"); (b) these Risks and dangers may be caused by me and/or minor child's own actions, or inaction, or the actions or inaction of others participating in the Activities, the condition in which the Activities take place, or THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE "RELEASEES" NAMED BELOW; (c) there may be OTHER RISKS AND SEVERE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC LOSSES either not known to me or not readily foreseeable at this time; and I FULLY ACCEPT AND ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS AND ALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR LOSSES, COSTS, AND DAMAGES I and/or minor child incur as a result of my participation in such Activities.

HEREBY ACCEPT AND ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN, AND ASSUME ALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE LOSSES, COSTS, AND/ OR DAMAGES FOLLOWING SUCH INJURY, DISABILITY, PARALYSIS, OR DEATH, EVEN IF CAUSED, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE "RELEASEES" NAMED BELOW.

HEREBY RELEASE, DISCHARGE, AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE USA TABLE TENNIS, their respective administrators, directors, agents, officers, officials, volunteers, and employees, other participants, any sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable, owners and lessors of premises on which the Activities take place, (each considered one of the "RELEASEES" herein) FROM ALL LIABILITY, CLAIMS, DEMANDS, LOSSES, OR DAMAGES ON MY ACCOUNT CAUSED OR ALLEGED TO BE CAUSED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE "RELEASEES" OR OTHERWISE, INCLUDING NEGLIGENT RESCUE OPERATIONS; AND I FURTHER AGREE that if, despite this RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT I and/or my minor child, or anyone on my and/or my minor child's behalf, makes a claim against any of the Releases, I WILL INDEMNIFY, SAVE, AND HOLD HARMLESS EACH OF THE RELEASEES from any litigation expenses, attorney fees, loss, liability, damage, or cost which may incur as the result of such claim.

I HAVE READ THIS AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND HAVE SIGNED IT FREELY AND WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT OR ASSURANCE OF ANY NATURE AND INTEND IT TO BE A COMPLETE AND UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE OF ALL LIABILITY TO THE GREATEST EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW AND AGREE THAT IF ANY PORTION OF THIS AGREEMENT IS HELD TO BE INVALID THE BALANCE, NOTWITHSTANDING, SHALL CONTINUE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

By registering for the 2024 US Open Table Tennis Championships, all participants are subject to possible selection for drug testing as conducted by the US Anti-Doping Agency.

MEDICAL AND TRANSPORTATION RELEASE – I hereby give consent for the organizers of the 2024 US Open Table Tennis Championships to provide me and/or my minor aged child with athletic trainer and emergency medical treatment. I swear and affirm that I am in good physical condition and I am not aware of any previous or existing diseases or injury that would result in my being injured. I further acknowledge that I have procured on my own and currently hold valid and adequate insurance for such loss, damage, or injury and if I do not have valid and adequate insurance, I accept full responsibility for the cost of the loss, damage, or injury that might occur as a result of my participation in the 2024 US Open Table Tennis Championships. I give my consent to participate in any and all emergency transportation associated with activities during the 2024 US Open Table Tennis Championships, in the event I become incapacitated or otherwise not conscious to give direct consent and I accept full responsibility for all costs associated with all emergency transportation as deemed necessary. Further, as the parent/guardian of a participating minor athlete, I hereby give my consent for complete medical treatment and emergency transportation services as deemed necessary beyond the on-site athletic trainer or emergency medical treatment provided.

MEDIA AND PHOTO RELEASE – Any image, photographic, or otherwise, taken of tournament play or within the official venue is essentially the property of USA Table Tennis regardless of the Approved status of the recording instrument or photographer. Entrants agree to allow their voice and likeness in such images to be reproduced in connection with USA Table Tennis by way of any medium. USA Table Tennis is not responsible for, nor can they control, the use of camera phones inside the venue. Participants are hereby notified of this policy.

Signature of Participant _____

Print Name: _____

Date: _____

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian _____

Print Name: _____

Date: _____

(For Athlete of minor age 17 and under)

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COMPETITION RULES, POLICIES, AND REGULATIONS

Location

Mandalay Bay Casino Resort & Casino Convention Center – **Convention Center Halls E & F**
3950 S Las Vegas Blvd, Las Vegas, NV 89119

Dates

December 16 – 21, 2024

Entry Deadline

Early Bird: Through October 1, 2024

Regular: October 2 – November 15, 2024

Last Call: November 16 – December 1, 2024

Pre-Tournament Open Practice and Registration

December 15, 2024: 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Playing Hall Daily Hours

December 16 - 21, 2023: 8:00 am - 9:00 pm

USATT Annual General Assembly

Tuesday, December 17, 2024: 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm - Meeting Room to be Determined

Men's and Women's Doubles and Singles Finals

The finals of the Men's and Women's Singles will be held in the evening hours on December 20, 2024. Entry will be free for all persons with a proper credential (players, coaches, media, etc...) and a Day Pass for December 20, 2024. Seating will be first come first served.

Admission to the Playing Hall

Players in the 2024 US Open will receive a "Player Credential" at the time of registration that will serve to permit daily entry into the Playing Hall. Please note that lost Player Credentials will only be replaced upon the payment of \$35. All other persons must purchase a Spectator Day Pass or Spectator Tournament Pass to gain entry into the Playing Hall.

Eligibility

All Players in the 2024 US Open Table Tennis Championships must be a "Pro" or "Lifetime" USATT Member or have paid the Tournament Pass Fee (\$50). USATT Memberships must be valid through **December 21, 2024**.

Rules

The 2024 US Open 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. An Event with fewer than four (4) registered participants may be cancelled at the discretion of the Tournament Director.

Match Scoring

All matches at the 2024 US Open Table Tennis Championships will utilize 11-point Best-of-Five Game Rules with the exception of Hardbat and Sandpaper events (see Hardbat and Sandpaper info). Men's Singles and Women's Singles Open Championship events will be 11-Point Best-of-Five Games until the Quarterfinals Stage, when the event will implement an 11-Point Best-of-Seven Games.

Equipment

Tables and Nets: Butterfly

Balls: Nittaku Premium 40+ (White)

Floor: For the 2024 US Open, USATT expects that all courts will have matted flooring. However, it is possible that some courts may be established on concrete flooring.

Racket Testing: Rackets must abide by all ITTF regulations including, but not limited to, flatness, racket covering thickness, even thickness and continuity of layers, and presence of harmful or volatile substances. All participants are subject to random testing throughout the event.

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.

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COMPETITION RULES, POLICIES, AND REGULATIONS - CONTINUED

Event Registration – Starting Times

Participants in the 2024 US Open may not enter two events that are scheduled to start at the same time.

Event Scheduling

Events are not guaranteed to be completed on the same day that they begin. No refunds will be given for early departure. Each event will begin on the date/time designated on the form, and it will continue at regular intervals until a champion has been determined. An entrant's signature on the tournament entry form acknowledges that the dates are acceptable for participation in the registered events regardless of any holidays, federal, state, local, religious, or foreign. All events will be completed by December 21, 2024.

Any event may be cancelled if the event contains less than four players or pairs, as appropriate. (For Event Fee Participants, the cost of an event cancelled for lack of appropriate numbers of participants will be refunded.)

Draws will be available 24 hours prior to the start of each event. For example, for an event that starts on December 21, at 10am, the draw will be available on December 20 at 10am

Adding / Dropping Events

For Participants electing the Early Bird Flat Fee Entry Structure, events may be added or dropped up to November 15, 2024. After November 16, 2024, no additional events may be added to your registration, events may only be dropped.

For Participants electing the Early Bird Event Fee Pricing Structure, the participant may substitute one event already purchased for another up to November 15, 2024; such participant may also purchase (for \$80.00) and add additional event(s) up to November 15, 2024.

Scheduling Conflicts

All Participants must report conflicts at least 30 minutes prior to the conflict scheduled time. Participants are responsible for notifying the Control Desk. Conflicts will be resolved by the Conflict Resolution Station at the Control Desk. Players must follow the direction of the USATT tournament committee's decision regarding the sequence of play in the resolution of Conflicts.

Please note that your timely check-in helps us to keep the tournament running as scheduled. The earlier that you report a conflict of which you are aware, the more likely the Tournament will run on time. Timely check-in and conflict filing allows that some matches may be played EARLY to avoid the delays that arise with unavoidable conflicts.

Mandatory Match Check-In

For Round Robin match play, players **must register** with the Control desk at least **30 minutes before** their group is scheduled to start playing. Immediately after registering with the Control Desk, the player must go to his or her assigned table and be prepared to begin play. Even if you are not the first match, you must be ready to play ten minutes before the scheduled match. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in default.

For Single Elimination matches, players **must register** with the Control desk at least **30 minutes before** their assigned match start time. Immediately after registering with the Control Desk, the player must then go to his or her assigned table and be prepared to begin play.

The only exception is documented conflict resolution sheet prepared in advance by the Conflict Resolution Station (CRS) at the Control Desk.

Defaults

An Athlete who defaults in any event at the 2024 US Open is considered to have defaulted from that event completely, fully and finally. A default in an event may also be declared to be a full and final withdrawal from the remainder of the Tournament as determined by the Tournament Referee (TR) or his/her designee (example: Deputy Referee). The TR will base that decision upon the nature and circumstances of the default as they pertain to match play and the rules of the sport. All decisions by the TR regarding defaults shall be final without provision for appeal.

Any other issue unrelated to match play or the rules of the sport that might necessitate a default from the tournament will be determined at the sole discretion of the Tournament Director (TD) or his/her designee (example: Deputy Tournament Director).

Seeding

Unless otherwise stated in this Prospectus, seeding for all events will be determined by a player's USATT Rating as of December 1, 2024 ("**Seeding Cut-Off Date**").

Automatic Seeding in the Main Draw of Certain Events

The **top thirty-two players** entered in the Men's Singles will be automatically seeded in the Main Draw of this event. The **top sixteen players** entered in the Women's Singles, Men's U-21 Singles, Women's U-21 Singles, and the U-2600 Ratings Event will be automatically seeded in the Main Draw of those events (i.e., those players will not participate in the Group Stage).

Seeding in all events at the 2024 US Open will be based on: (i) ITTF World Ranking (up to and including Number 100); then (ii) the USATT Rating List generated on December 1, 2024.

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COMPETITION RULES, POLICIES, AND REGULATIONS - CONTINUED

Age Events

Players assume the responsibility of entering the appropriate age events. Players who are over/under the age limit of an event will automatically be entered in the correct age event.

Birth Dates for Age Events

U 21 - Born on or After January 1, 2003 - Must be 21 or under as of December 31, 2024

U 19 - Born on or after January 1, 2005 - Must be 19 or under as of December 31, 2024

U 17 - Born on or after January 1, 2007 - Must be 17 or under as of December 31, 2024

U 15 - Born on or after January 1, 2009 - Must be 15 or under as of December 31, 2024

U 13 - Born on or after January 1, 2011 - Must be 13 or under as of December 31, 2024

U 11 - Born on or after January 1, 2013 - Must be 11 or under as of December 31, 2024

40 +: Born on or before December 31, 1984 - Must be 40 or older as of December 31, 2024

50 +: Born on or before December 31, 1974 - Must be 50 or older as of December 31, 2024

55 +: Born on or before December 31, 1969 - Must be 55 or older as of December 31, 2024

60 +: Born on or before December 31, 1964 - Must be 60 or older as of December 31, 2024

65 +: Born on or before December 31, 1959 - Must be 65 or older as of December 31, 2024

70 +: Born on or before December 31, 1954 - Must be 70 or older as of December 31, 2024

75 +: Born on or before December 31, 1949 - Must be 75 or older as of December 31, 2024

80 +: Born on or before December 31, 1944 - Must be 80 or older as of December 31, 2024

Ratings Events

Eligibility for ratings events will be determined by a player's USATT Rating as of November 1, 2024 ("**Ratings Cut-Off Date**").

Seeding for ratings events will be determined by a player's USATT Rating as of December 1, 2024 ("**Seeding Cut-Off Date**").

Ratings events will have Round Robin Groups of 3-4 players dependent upon actual number of registrations in each event as determined by the organizing committee and Tournament Director. One winner per Round Robin Group will advance to a second round Single Elimination stage. SOME events will be designated as single elimination from the start. Players may enter a maximum of 6 rating events based on their rating as of the Ratings Cut-Off Date (November 1, 2024). Events chosen must be within any 6-sequential order that are above his/her rating used for the 2024 US Open. For example, if an adult player's rating is 1146, he/she may participate in any or all of the following: Adult U1300, Adult U1400, Adult U1500, Adult U1600, and Adult U1800. However, he/she may NOT participate in the Adult U1300, Adult U1400, Adult U1500, Adult U1600, and the Adult 1900 since this covers a range of more than 6 rating events. Players that are over the rating limit of an event on the Ratings Cut-Off Date (November 1, 2024) will automatically be entered in the next higher rating event. If two ratings events with the same start time are entered, the Tournament Committee will choose on behalf of the player which event is to be played.

Unrated Players

Players may enter any event for which they are otherwise eligible. Players who are unrated on the Ratings Cut-Off Date (November 1, 2024) will not advance to the single elimination stage of rating-restricted RR events, unless they acquire an eligible rating prior to December 1, 2024. Players who enter a rating-restricted event without a rating and who acquire a rating between the Ratings Cutoff Date (November 1, 2024) and the Seeding Cutoff Date (December 1, 2024) will be permitted to advance provided their new rating meets the event's requirements. If a player enters a ratings event and is unrated as of the Ratings Cutoff Date (November 1, 2024) and prior to the Seeding Cutoff Date (December 1, 2024) that player obtains a rating that is above the ratings restriction of the event entered, that player will be removed from the event. Unrated players are not permitted to enter rating-restricted single elimination events.

Ratings Events for Juniors and Adults

Players entering the Junior Ratings events must be under 19 as of December 31, 2024 (**born on or after January 1, 2005**).

Players entering the Adult Ratings Events must be 19 or older as of December 31, 2024 (**born on or before December 31, 2004**).

Doubles Ratings Events

Players MUST be rated under 2500 to participate in the U4000 Doubles and under 2000 to participate in U3100 Doubles. Players without a rating as of the Ratings Cut-Off Date (November 1, 2024) cannot enter a Doubles Ratings Event.

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COMPETITION RULES, POLICIES, AND REGULATIONS - CONTINUED**

Doubles Partners

Players MUST enter with a designated partner in all Doubles Events. USA Table Tennis will NOT arrange for a doubles partner. USATT cannot be responsible for the nonparticipation of your selected Doubles Partner. It is the responsibility of the players to contact his/her doubles partner about participating in the event.

Family Generational Doubles

Eligible pairs for the Family Generational Doubles are (i) a parent/legal guardian with his or her own child; (ii) a grandparent with his or her own grandchild.

Open Sandpaper SE and U1700 Sandpaper RR:

The same rules as Hardbat (see below) will apply except that in Sandpaper events the table tennis paddle blade must be covered in sandpaper. Nittaku Premium 40+ (White) balls will be used. All matches will be 2 out of 3 to 21 points. Eligibility and seeding for the Sandpaper Open SE event and the U1700 Sandpaper RR event will be determined by the player's Sandpaper Rating at the seeding cutoff date: December 1, 2024.

Hardbat and Sandpaper Events Rules

Hardbat rules, as adopted by the USATT Classic Table Tennis Committee, will be used for all Hardbat and Sandpaper events. All rules and all current ratings (Hardbat, Sandpaper, Wood) are only available at <https://icttf.co>. For all Hardbat and Sandpaper events, round robin groups will be formed in groups of up to five (5) players per group. As in all events, a question of racket legality is the decision of the Tournament Referee. Rackets complying with all requirements of the rules for Hardbat rackets shall be legal. This means that participants must use an all-wood blade with short pimples-up rubber and no sponge. These events do not count for USATT ratings points. Both eligibility and seeding for the Hardbat events will be determined by the player's Hardbat rating at the seeding cutoff date: December 1, 2024. All matches will be the best of 3 games. Balls: Nittaku Premium 40+ (White).

Para Events

If there are only two entrants in a Para class for a singles event, the tournament director may elect to combine classes. For example, if there are only two entrants in Para Class 1 - 2 Singles, the tournament director may create Para Class 1 - 5 Singles event.

For Para Events and Parkinson Event, there will be a consolation bracket for those who don't advance from initial RR

Para Doubles

For the Para Doubles Seated (8), the combined Class for the two players cannot exceed 8. For the Para Doubles Standing (18), the combined Class for the two players cannot exceed 18.

Withdrawals - Refunds

For Participants electing the flat fee payment structure, a \$75 processing fee will be charged to any participant who withdraws from the tournament prior to November 15, 2024. There will be NO REFUNDS given after this date except for injured players with a signed doctor's note. Please note that there is still a \$75 processing fee for those persons who withdraw after presenting a signed doctor's note. Withdrawal notification must be made in writing to the USATT National Office in order to receive a refund.

For Participants electing the event fee structure, there are NO REFUNDS. However, if a participant presents a signed doctor's note and requests to withdraw from the tournament, that participant will be refunded the fees paid under the EVENT FEE PRICING structure minus a \$75 processing fee. Withdrawal notification must be in writing at USATT National Office in order to receive a refund.

Publications

Display and/or distribution of any brochures, posters, literature, or written material at the tournament venue is strictly prohibited unless previously approved by USATT.

Films/videotapes

Anyone wishing to make films or videotapes of the matches must receive written permission from USATT National Office. You may record yours or your family member's own matches provided you get permission from the opponent first. No videotaping of the Men's and Women's Semi-Finals or Finals matches is allowed.

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 will not be awarded in events that have fewer than 3 participants (singles) or pairs (doubles). 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.

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COVID POLICY

CURRENTLY ALL COVID-RELATED RESTRICTIONS ARE LIFTED IN THE LAS VEGAS, NEVADA AREA

HOWEVER, IT IS POSSIBLE THAT LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL JURISDICTIONS MAY CHANGE REQUIRING MORE PROTECTIVE PROVISIONS TO BE IMPLEMENTED. IF SO, THOSE PROVISIONS WILL BE ENFORCED. WHILE NOT EXPECTED, THIS MAY INCLUDE A MANDATORY REQUIREMENT THAT ALL PERSONS WEAR PROPER FACIAL COVERINGS AT ALL TIMES INSIDE THE TOURNAMENT VENUE. PLEASE REFER TO THE USATT WEBSITE FOR ALL REQUIREMENTS AND UPDATES WHICH MAY BE POSTED (IF ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE AND UPDATES ARE NECESSITATED BY THE LOCAL JURISDICTION). IF YOU ARE SUSPECTED OF HAVING COVID, OR IF YOU FEEL YOU MAY HAVE COVID, YOU MUST IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY THE CONTROL DESK AND SUBMIT TO A RAPID TEST. IF YOU TEST POSITIVE, YOU MUST VACATE THE CONVENTION CENTER IMMEDIATELY AND NOT RETURN FOR A MINIMUM OF THREE DAYS UPON WHICH TIME YOU WILL BE RE-TESTED AGAIN. ANYONE FAILING TO COMPLY WILL FORFEIT ALL MATCHES PLAYED.

Tournament Management

Tournament Director: **Vlad Farcas**
Deputy Tournament Director: **Craig Krum**
Tournament Manager: **Robert Mayer**
Referee: **Jake CHOI, IR USA**
Deputy Referee: **Yelena KARSHTEDT, IR USA**
Deputy Referee: **Jeff WONG, IR CAN**
Chief Umpire: **Jorge VANEGAS, IU USA**
Deputy Chief Umpire: **Linda LEAF, IU USA**

If an umpire is available, a certified umpire will be assigned by the Chief Umpire at the request of any player in a match.

Travel Arrangements

Closest International Airport: McCarran International Airport

Official Tournament Hotel: Mandalay Bay Resort & Casino, 3950 S Las Vegas Blvd, Las Vegas, NV 89119 – Discounted Link Below

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