

2012 U.S. NATIONALS

DECEMBER 18-22, 2012 | LAS VEGAS CONVENTION CENTER-HALL C3 LAS VEGAS, NV



Name: _____ USATT ID: _____ EXP. Date: _____ Rating: _____
 Street Name: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Home Phone: _____ Office Phone: _____
 Email: _____
 Gender: Male | Female Date of Birth: ____/____/____ (M/D/Y)
 Club: _____ (The club must be a valid USATT

Please send completed entry form to: Late Entry Deadline:
 USA Table Tennis Postmarked after Oct 19, 2012 will be
 4065 Sinton Rd. Suite 120 accepted with a \$75 late fee. Entries
 Colorado Springs, CO 80907 postmarked after Oct 29, 2012 WILL
NOT BE ACCEPTED.
Entry Deadline:
 Postmarked no later than Oct 19, 2012.

affiliated club of which you are a current member. Club's location will be used for geographic separation for the draw and club recognition.)
 US Citizen: Yes / No *Please Circle* If "NO", I-151 Registration#: _____ Issue Date: _____

EVENTS ENTERED	COST		EVENT #	EVENT NAME	DOUBLES PARTNER
	ADULT	JUNIOR+			
			+ Juniors MUST BE 17 or younger as of January 1, 2012		
1	\$95	\$70			
2	\$120	\$95			
3	\$145	\$120			
4	\$170	\$145			
5	\$185	\$160			
6	\$200	\$175			
7	\$215	\$190			
8	\$230	\$205			

Total Event Entry Fee: \$ _____
Late Fee: (\$75 for entries postmarked after October 19, 2012) \$ _____
Tournament Processing and Registration Fees: Those entering only doubles and/or hard bat pay \$3 \$10.00
USATT Membership Fees: All players must be current members of USATT or must include payment for the appropriate membership for their entry. Memberships must be valid through December, 2012
 Adult Membership: \$49 (1 year) or \$130(3 years) or \$200 (5 years)
 Junior Membership: \$25 (1 year-17 or younger) or \$60 (3 years -14 or younger)
 Collegiate Membership: \$25 (1-year College/Grad Student)
 Household Membership: \$90(1 year) or \$250(3 years)
 FASTT PRO: \$30(1 year) or \$70(3 years)(required for Sandpaper event) \$ _____
Tournament Tickets/Day Pass: \$ _____
 All persons entering the venue must obtain an entry pass. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday(does not include Semi/Finals) sold on site Saturday including Semis and Finals: W/Entry - \$15, On Site - \$20 5 day tournament package: W/Entry - \$20, On Site - \$25 Each entrant/USATT active Coach receives a free entry for the entire tournament. Additional Door Prize tickets: \$5.00 on site
Tournament T-Shirt: Free T-Shirt With Entry! \$ _____
 Each additional t-shirt is \$15. Please indicate size(s) Quantity: _____ S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ XXL
Tax Deductible Donation For: \$ _____
 \$ _____ Youth Programs
 \$ _____ National Team
 \$ _____ Para National Team
 \$ _____ Floor Mats
 \$ _____ USTTA Hall of Fame
Total Fees: Including all Fees & Donations \$ _____

**** For events 12 and 13 Junior Teams:****
 Club Name: _____
 List Names of Other Team Mates: _____

WHAT KIND OF TT EQUIPMENT DO YOU USE?
 Forehand Rubber _____
 Backhand Rubber _____
 Blade _____
 Shoes _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
 Ratings are based on 2012 USATT Rating List generated on 9/28/2012
www.teamsusa.org/USA-Table-Tennis/Events-Leagues-Ratings/Events/2012/December/18/2012-US-National-Championships.aspx
See Schedule of Events and Prospectus
CONFIRMATION OF ENTRIES: Confirmation of receipt of entry will be placed online at the USATT website in the U.S. Nationals section. Names will be posted within 14 days after receiving your entry. USATT will not be responsible for entries lost in the mail. If you mailed your entry form in and do not see your name after 21 days, please contact USATT at 719-866-4583 x 5
 A \$25 processing fee will be charged on all returned checks.
WAIVER MUST BE SIGNED ON PAGE 2
FAXED ENTRY FORMS WILL BE ACCEPTED - FAX # 719-632-6071

Make Checks Payable To USA Table Tennis
 Pay by credit card: VISA / MASTERCARD / DISCOVER
 Name on card: _____
 Card #: _____ - _____ - _____ EXP: ____/____
 CVC: _____ I agree to pay the above total amount.
 Signature: _____
ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT FULL PAYMENT

2012 U.S. NATIONALS WAIVER

USA TABLE TENNIS - 4065 SINTON RD STE 120, COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80907 - 719-866-4583 - FAX 719-632-6071

Tournament Name: 2012 U. S. Nationals

Date: December 18-22, 2012

Release and Waiver of Liability, Assumption of Risk, and Indemnity Agreement ("Agreement")

PLEASE READ THOROUGHLY AND PROVIDE YOUR SIGNATURE

1. 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:
2. ACKNOWLEDGE, agree, and represent that I and/or minor child understand the nature of Table Tennis Activities and that I and/or minor child are qualified, in good health, and in proper physical condition to participate in such Activity. 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 Activity.
3. FULLY UNDERSTAND that (a) TABLE TENNIS ACTIVITIES INVOLVE RISKS AND DANGERS OF SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, INCLUDING PERMANENT DISABILITY, PARALYSIS, DISMEMBERMENT, AND DEATH, HARASSMENT, EXPOSURE TO INAPPROPRIATE CONDUCT AND LANGUAGE ("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 Activity, the condition in which the Activity takes 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 the Activity.
4. 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.
5. HEREBY RELEASE, DISCHARGE, AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE USA TABLE TENNIS OR FASTT, 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 Activity takes 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 NEGLIGENCE 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.
6. 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.
7. By registering for the 2012 US Table Tennis National 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 2012 US Table Tennis National Championships to provide me with athletic trainer and emergency medical treatment. This release is effective for the period of December 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22, 2012. 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 2012 US Table Tennis National Championships. I give my consent to participate in any and all emergency transportation associated with activities during the 2012 US Table Tennis National 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
(For Athlete of Minor Age(18 and under))**

Print Name

Date

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Event #	Event Name	Date	Time	Prize Money				
				1st	2nd	3-4	5-8	9-16
National Championship Events (US Citizen Only) (Proof of eligibility must be submitted with entry)								
1	Men's Singles	THU	9AM	3500	1800	1150	500	225
2	Women's Singles	THU	3:45PM	3500	1800	1150	500	-
*3	Men's Doubles	THU	1:30PM	400	200	100	-	-
*4	Women's Doubles	THU	1:30PM	400	200	50	-	-
*5	Mixed Doubles	THU	12:45PM	250	100	A	-	-
# Cadet and Junior National Championships Events (US Citizen Only) (Proof of eligibility must be submitted with entry)								
*6	Cadet Boys' Singles (Teams Trials)	THU	12PM	100	50	A	-	-
*7	Cadet Girls' Singles (Teams Trials)	THU	12PM	100	50	A	-	-
*8	Junior Boys' Singles (Teams Trials)	WED	12PM	200	100	A	-	-
*9	Junior Girls' Singles (Teams Trials)	WED	12PM	200	100	A	-	-
Minicadet National Championship Events (US Citizen Only) (Proof of eligibility must be submitted with entry)								
10	Minicadet Boys' Singles (Team Trials)	FRI	12PM	A	A	A	-	-
11	Minicadet Girls' Singles (Team Trials)	FRI	12PM	A	A	A	-	-
Championship Age Events (US Citizen Only) (Proof of eligibility must be submitted with entry)								
12	Junior Boys' Teams	TUE	4PM	A	A	A	-	-
13	Junior Girls' Teams	TUE	4PM	A	A	A	-	-
14	Boys' 10 and Under Singles	SAT	10:30AM	A	A	A	-	-
15	Girls' 10 and Under Singles	SAT	10:30AM	A	A	A	-	-
16	21&U Men's Singles	TUE	12PM	250	125	50	-	-
17	21&U Women's Singles	TUE	12PM	200	100	50	-	-
18	Over 30 Singles	FRI	12PM	250	125	50	-	-
19	Senior Men's Singles 40+	WED	9AM	250	175	100	-	-
20	Senior Hardbat Singles 40+	WED	3PM	A	A	A	-	-
21	Senior Women's RR 40+	WED	9AM	150	100	A	-	-
22	Esquire Men's Singles 50+	THU	12PM	150	100	A	-	-
23	Esquire Women's RR 50+	FRI	9AM	150	100	A	-	-
24	Senior Men's Esquire Singles 60+	FRI	9:45AM	150	100	A	-	-
25	Hardbat Singles 60+	FRI	6PM	A	A	A	-	-
26	Sr. Women's Esquire Singles RR 60+	FRI	12PM	150	100	A	-	-
27	Veteran Men's RR 70+	WED	3PM	A	A	A	-	-
28	Veteran Women's RR 70+	WED	3PM	A	A	A	-	-
29	Veteran RR 75+	SAT	12PM	A	A	A	-	-
30	Veteran RR 80+	THU	12PM	A	A	A	-	-
31	Veterans 85+	TUE	6PM	A	A	A	-	-
*32	Senior Doubles 40+	THU	11:15AM	150	100	A	-	-
*33	Esquire Doubles 50+	THU	3:45PM	150	100	A	-	-
*34	Senior Esquire Doubles 60+	WED	12PM	150	100	A	-	-
*35	Veteran Doubles 70+	FRI	3:45PM	150	100	A	-	-

Event #	Event Name	Date	Time	Prize Money				
				1st	2nd	3-4	5-8	9-16
Hard Bat Championship Events (US Citizen Only) (Proof of eligibility must be submitted with entry)								
*36	Open Hard Bat RR	FRI	12PM	150	75	A	-	-
*37	Hard Bat Doubles	TUE	2:15PM	A	A	A	-	-
Sandpaper National Championship (US Citizen Only) (Proof of eligibility must be submitted with entry)								
*38	USATT/FASTT National Championship	THU	3PM	1000	500	150	50	-
USATT Rating Events (See Important Note Below and in Tournament Info Section)								
*39	U-2400 Singles	FRI	9AM	275	150	75	-	-
*40	U-2300 RR	FRI	3PM	175	100	50	-	-
*41	U-2200 RR	WED	6PM	125	75	50	-	-
*42	U-2100 RR	THU	3PM	125	75	50	-	-
*43	U-2000 RR	SAT	9AM	100	50	25	-	-
*44	U-2000 Hard Bat RR ³	WED	12PM	A	A	A	-	-
*45	U-1900 RR	TUE	10AM	100	50	25	-	-
*46	U-1800 RR	THU	9AM	100	50	25	-	-
*47	U-1800 Hard Bat RR ³	THU	12PM	A	A	A	-	-
*48	U-1700 RR	WED	3PM	A	A	A	-	-
*49	U-1600 RR	FRI	9AM	A	A	A	-	-
*50	U-1500 RR	SAT	9AM	A	A	A	-	-
*51	U-1500 Hard Bat RR ³	FRI	3PM	A	A	A	-	-
*52	U-1400 RR	TUE	6PM	A	A	A	-	-
*53	U-1300 RR	THU	3PM	A	A	A	-	-
*54	U-1200 RR	WED	6PM	A	A	A	-	-
*55	U-1100 RR	FRI	1:30PM	A	A	A	-	-
*56	U-1000 RR	THU	9AM	A	A	A	-	-
*57	Unrated RR	FRI	5:15PM	A	A	A	-	-
*58	U-1600 Senior RR 40+	TUE	12PM	A	A	A	-	-
*59	U-4200 Doubles	WED	9:45AM	A	A	A	-	-
*60	U-3700 Doubles	WED	9:45AM	A	A	A	-	-
*61	U-3200 Doubles	WED	9:45AM	A	A	A	-	-
*62	U-2700 Doubles	WED	9:45AM	A	A	A	-	-
Disabled Events								
63	Wheelchair Open (Classes 1-5) RR	SAT	12PM	A	A	-	-	-
64	Standing Open (Classes 6-10) RR	SAT	12PM	A	A	-	-	-
65	Class 11 Open RR	SAT	12PM	A	A	-	-	-

Key Notes

- 1 Refer to the Junior and Cadet Championship Events section in the Prospectus for the event format.
- 2 Refer to the Hard Bat Events section in the Prospectus for detailed description of hard bat events
- 3 Refer to the Entries section in the Prospectus
- 4 Refer to Sandpaper section in Prospectus for event format
- * For all Doubles events the prize money is for the entire doubles team NOT per person.
- # Prize money donated by FASTT
- ~ Players may enter only **ONE** rating doubles event. Players **MUST** be rated under 2500 to participate in the U-4200 Doubles; under 2250 to participate in the U-3700 Doubles; or under 2000

to participate in the U-3200 Doubles; or under 1600 to participate in the U-2700 Doubles
Players without a rating at the Qualification time can't enter rating doubles events.

Players who sign up for two or more events with the same start time and/or sign up for more events than allowed in sequential order will forfeit entry fees submitted for those events. Tournament Committee will choose on behalf of player which event is to be played and no refund will be issued.

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Deadline:

Entry Deadline for the 2012 USA Table Tennis Nationals is Friday, October 19, 2012. Late entries postmarked after October 19, 2012 require a \$75 late fee. Entries postmarked after October 29, 2012 WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

Eligibility:

Entries are limited to active USATT members as follows:

National Championships Events: Events 1-35 – U.S. Citizens-Proof of Citizenship must be submitted with the entry form.

Cadet and Junior National Championships Events (Events 6-9)

*Cadet Boys'/Girls'(Team Trials) - Born on or after January 1, 1998

*Junior Boys'/Girls'(Team Trials) - Born on or after January 1, 1995

Juniors must be eligible to represent USA at World Events.

Minicadet National Championships Events (Events 10 and 11)

Minicadet Boys'/Girls' – Born on or after January 1, 2000

Championship Hard Bat, Sandpaper, and Rating Events (Events 36-62)

For All Above Events Please contact USATT Headquarters (719-866-4583) regarding eligibility questions

Membership:

USATT Memberships must be valid through December 31, 2012. Non-members or expired memberships must enclose membership fee with their entry forms.

Rules:

The 2012 USA Table Tennis Nationals will be conducted under the Laws of Table Tennis. Specifically, 3.53 Good Presentation supplement in the The Laws of Table Tennis. All decisions by the Tournament Committee will be final and contestants upon entering agree to abide by them.

Equipment:

Tables and nets: JOOLA. Balls: Nittaku orange 3-star 40mm. Floor: Two surfaces – red rubberized floor and concrete. This is the *Official Approved Equipment* for the 2012 USA Table Tennis National Championships. **Rackets in all events are subject to random testing for volatile organic compounds(VOC's). Any glues containing VOC's will cause the racket to fail.**

Clothing:

The USATT Dress Code will be enforced. **No orange or yellow clothing will be allowed.** Players must **wear** the assigned number when competing.

Entries:

Players may enter a maximum of 8 events but may not enter two events starting at the same time. RATING EVENTS: Players may enter a maximum of 5 rating events. Events chosen must be within the 5 sequential order that are above his/her rating used for the 2012 USATT Nationals. For example, if a player's rating is 1346, he/she may participate in any or all of the following: U1400, U1500, U1600, U1700 and U1800. However, he/she may NOT participate in the U1400, U1500, U1600, **AND** U1900 and U2000 events since these are not in sequential order. Players that are over the rating limit of an event will automatically be entered in the next higher rating event.

RATING DOUBLES EVENTS: Players may enter only one rating doubles event. Players MUST be rated under 2500 to participate in the U4200 Doubles, under 2250 to participate in the U3700 Doubles, under 2000 to participate in U3200 Doubles and under 1600 to participate in U2700 Doubles.

Doubles Partners:

Players **MUST** enter with a partner in all doubles events. **USA Table Tennis will NOT arrange for a doubles partner.** USATT can not be responsible for the non-participation of your selected Doubles Partner. It is the responsibility of the players to contact his/her doubles partner about participating in the event. No refund will be given for an event if a partner is not available. Players without a rating at the Qualification time can't enter rating doubles events. Partners withdrawing by December 11 may be replaced provided the replacement partner has a lower rating than the original partner. Partners withdrawing after December 11 may not be replaced.

Special Note: No change in addition or deletion of events or refund of event fees except for Doubles events(see Doubles Partners) will be allowed after the deadline of October 29.

Age Restrictions:

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.

Rating Restrictions and Seeding:

For rating eligibility (qualification), the ratings list as of 9/28/2012 will be used. This can be found at www.teamsusa.org/USA-Table-Tennis/Events-League-Ratings/Events/2012/December/18/2012-US-National-Championships.aspx. For draw and seeding purposes, the most recent USATT ratings list as of 11/23/2012 will be used. Players assume the responsibility of entering the proper events. Player that are over the rating limit of an event will automatically be entered in the next event. Players may obtain their ratings by contacting USA Table Tennis via email at admin@usatt.org. As a result of later seeding, some players may have ratings higher than shown for the event.

Unrated Players: (players without USATT rating):

Players may enter any championship event for which they are otherwise eligible. Unrated players at the seeding time will not advance in the Rated Limited events with the exception of the Unrated event. Players who enter a rating limited event without a rating and who acquire a rating between the qualification cutoff and the seeding will be permitted to advance provided their new rating meets the event's requirements. Players without a rating at the qualification time can't enter the Doubles events.

Matches:

All matches at the 2012 USA Table Tennis Championships will utilize 11-point game rules with the exception of hard bat events (see hard bat info). Men's and Women's Championship events will be best of seven (11-point games) from the round of 32. All RR events will be the best of five (11-point games). All other events will be the best of five (11-point games), single elimination, unless otherwise indicated.

Event Scheduling:

Events are not guaranteed to be completed on the same day that they begin. No refunds will be given for early departure. All events will be completed by Saturday evening. The Men's and Women's Singles semi-finals and finals are tentatively scheduled for Saturday, December 22.

Any event may be cancelled and the entry fee for that one event refunded if the event contains less than four players or pairs, as appropriate. In the case of event conflicts, the player is responsible for notifying the Control Desk as soon as possible. In case of an inadvertent error, liability is limited to the refund of the event fee for the event(s) involved.

Championship Age Events:

Players must be over 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 75, 80 and 85 as of December 31, 2012. Players for MiniCadet Boys'/Girls' must be born on or after January 1, 2000. Players for U-10 Boys and Girls must be born on or after January 1, 2002. Players in the 21&U Men's and Women's Singles must be born on or after January 1, 1991. **Proof of age must be readily available at the tournament.**

Withdrawal/Refunds:

A \$45 processing fee will be charged to any participant who withdraws from the tournament prior to November 9, 2012. **There will be no refunds after this date.** Withdrawal notification must be **in writing** at USATT Headquarters in order to receive a refund. **There will be no refunds given at the tournament.**

PLAYING FORMATS:

Junior and Cadet National Championship Events:

Junior and Cadet Singles are the Trials for 2013 National Teams. Selection and playing format to be announced.

Minicadet National Championship Events:

Top 4 finishers in these events will qualify as members of the 2013 USA Minicadet National Team and will be considered for international Events based on USATT budget availability and invitations received. The Playing format for these events will be based on number of entries. First stage – Round Robin groups and Second stage – Single elimination. All matches will be played best of five games.

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Junior Boys and Girls Teams:

The USA club must send an email to admin@usatt.org with Club Name along with Names of the Team Players. The Junior Teams will not be accepted without Club approval. The Club along with the Names of the Team Mates must be listed on the entry form. Playing system: Corbillon Cup System: 4 singles and 1 doubles. A-X, B-Y. Doubles, A-Y, B-X. Playing system will be Single or Round Robin depending on number of entries.

Men's and Women's Singles Championship Events:

In the men's singles, the top 16 players will be seeded into the main draw of 64 players. In women's singles, the top 8 players will be seeded into the main draw of 32 players. Depending on the number of entries, all other players will be drawn into qualification RR groups to advance into the main draw. The main draw will be played in a singles elimination format. All matches from the round of 32 will be played best of seven games. All other matches will be played best of five games. Men's and Women's Team Trials will be held at a different date and time TBD.

USATT/FASTT National Championship Sandpaper Event:

This event is co-sanctioned by USATT and Federal Association of Sandpaper Table Tennis(FASTT). All players entering the USATT/FASTT Sandpaper National Championships event must be an active FASTT Pro members or purchase a FASTT Pro membership during tournament registration. This membership is required in addition to the normal USATT membership that is required to compete in the 2012 US Nationals. The same rules as Hardbat(see below) will apply except the equipment will be an all wood blade with a sandpaper only cover on the playing surface. All players must be US Citizens and proof must be submitted with the entry form. 40mm balls will be used. Quarterfinals to Finals will be 3 out of 5, 21 point games. USATT ratings will be used for seeding however results will only affect FASTT rankings. More information can be found at www.ttProTour.com

Hard Bat Events:

Hard Bat rules, as adopted by the USATT Hard Bat Committee, will be used for all hard bat events. See www.hardbat.com for the complete list of official rules. As in all events, a question of racquet legality is the decision of the Tournament Referee. Rackets complying with all requirements of the rules for Hard Bat rackets shall be legal. These events do not count for USATT ratings points. Eligibility for the hard bat rating events will be determined by the player's USATT rating. However, draws for the hard bat events will be conducted on the basis of the ratings maintained by the Hard Bat Committee. If the participant enters the U-2000 Hard Bat RR, U-1800 Hard Bat RR, or U-1500 Hard Bat RR and there are insufficient entries, he/she will automatically be moved into the U-2000 RR, U-1800 RR, or U-1500 RR, if eligible. All hard bat matches will be played to 21-point games. All matches will be the best of 3 games, except for Hard Bat singles, where the quarterfinals, semifinals, and final will be best of 5 games.

Registration:

Players must register with tournament officials at least 30 minutes before their first match and be ready to play each match 10 minutes before the scheduled starting time. See "Earliest Starting Times" in the *Schedule of Events*.

Publications:

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

General Admission/Final Tickets:

Players will receive free entry for the entire tournament including door prize ticket when they check in for registration in their player packet. Additional tickets may be purchased on this entry form. All USATT Members can purchase 5 day tournament package tickets or Saturday including Semi/Finals at a \$5 discount on site(membership card and photo ID will be required).

General Admission – Tuesday thru Saturday (does not include Semi/Finals) Available on site.

Premium Tournament Pass(5 Day Pass & includes Door Prize)

W/entry: \$20 | On site: \$25

Semi/Finals Tickets: W/entry: \$15 | On site: \$20

Door Prize Tickets:

Extra Door Prize tickets will be available at the registration desk for \$5 each. This is NOT a Finals Ticket! It is strictly for door prizes.

Films/videotapes:

Anyone wishing to make films or videotapes of the matches must receive written permission from USATT Headquarters. **Without regard to Approved Camera status, no videotaping of the Women's or Men's Semi-Finals or Women's or Men's Final matches is allowed.**

Cancellation Without Fault:

USATT will refund 50% of all entry fees paid by participants if the U.S. Nationals 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, curtailment of transportation services that prevent at least 50% or more of USATT participation from attending the event.

Water will not be provided. Drinking fountains will be available in the Venue.

Credentials:

Lost credentials **will not be** replaced. A replacement will need to be purchased at the price stated on the first page of the entry form. There will be **no exceptions**.

Prize Money Checks:

Prize money will not be paid for no-shows, splits, dumping, or defaults(except for legitimate 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 in 120 days will be forfeited.

Umpires:

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

Call for Umpires:

USATT is asking players who are umpires to volunteer to umpire at the Nationals. The umpire must be available for a block of four hours or more. Players/Umpires interested must list tentative time available by contacting: Roman Tinyszyn, Chair – Officials Committee, email iuroman@comcast.net

HALL OF FAME BANQUET:

The US. Table Tennis Hall of Fame Banquet will be held on Thursday, December 20, 2012 at the Las Vegas Hotel & Casino(formerly the Hilton). Those being inducted are Players: Jennifer Johnson, Errol Resek, and Lan Vuong; Contributor: Gus Kennedy. Tickets for this gala event may be purchased(\$50 – check payable to U.S.T.T. Hall of Fame) by mail from Dick Evans HC 64 Box 270, Hillsboro, WV 24946 or at the tournament, Tuesday and Wednesday, December 18 & 19. No tickets are available at the door. Hopefully, many friends, family, and players will join us in honoring these deserving individuals.

Official Airlines:

United Airlines – Official Airlines Sponsor of USATT - To obtain a discount on domestic flights booked for participants in the 2012 U.S. Nationals, call 1-800-468-7022 and use the agreement code - 925868 and Z code: ZMGQ or the website: www.continental.com and offer code - ZMGQ925868.

OFFICIAL TOURNAMENT HOTEL:

The Las Vegas Hotel & Casino - 3000 Paradise Rd. Las Vegas, NV 89109
To make your reservations, call 1-800-635-7711, 6:00AM to 11:00PM Daily. Reference Code: USA Table Tennis for the special rate of \$55-Singles/Doubles and Additional person - \$35.00 plus 12% tax. Hotel reservation website: <https://www.resweb.passkey.com/go/USATableTennis2012> **RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BEFORE NOVEMBER 28, 2012 TO GET THIS RATE.**

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