



USTA Pacific NW Endorsement Criteria for 2019 NTRP National Championship

The enclosed information will detail the process for selecting the participants to represent the Pacific NW at the 2019 NTRP National Championships. The criteria listed below will only apply to the 2019 NTRP National Championship.

NTRP National Championship Dates

- 18 & Over Singles– March 29-31, 2019 (Naples, FL)
- 18 & Over Doubles – April 5-7, 2019 (Naples, FL)
- 50 & Over Singles – March 29-31, 2019 (Surprise, AZ)
- 50 & Over Singles – April 5-7, 2019 (Surprise, AZ)

Divisions Offered

- Men's and Women's 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5 Singles and Doubles

Adult 18 & Over Endorsement Procedures

- USTA PNW NTRP Section Championship (1 spot)
 - The USTA Pacific NW will offer the USTA PNW NTRP Section Championship on February 8-10, 2019 (Vancouver, WA). Divisions offered will be Men's and Women's 3.0, 3.5, 4.0 and 4.5 Singles and Doubles. The winner of the USTA PNW NTRP Section Championship will receive an endorsement to participate in the 2019 NTRP National Championship.
 - Each draw will take a maximum of 16 players/teams. The draws will be determined by inviting a select number of players from each area in the Pacific NW based on the 2018 Final Year End Ranking list released in early January. The following will be the number of players invited by area (area is determined by USTA Membership):
 - Northwest Washington – 4
 - Northern Oregon – 4
 - Southwest Washington – 3
 - Eastern Washington – 2
 - Southern Oregon – 2
 - Alaska – 1
 - Should players decline, the next eligible player on the 2018 Final Year End Ranking list from that respective area will be invited. If an area has no more eligible players to invite, then the highest ranked eligible player not already invited will be offered the vacant

spot. This process will continue until a draw of 16 has been completed or it has been determined that there are not enough interested players to complete a draw of 16.

- Final Year End Ranking (1 spot)
 - The USTA Pacific NW Adult Competition Manager will endorse one singles player using the Final Year End Ranking list released in January 2019. The top ranked player will be invited. If a player declines or if the top ranked player won the USTA PNW NTRP Section Championship, the next highest qualified player on the Final Year End Ranking list will be invited. This process will continue until two singles players accept the invitation.
 - The USTA Pacific NW Adult Competition Manager will endorse one doubles team using the Final Year End Ranking list released in January 2019. The top ranked player will be invited. If a player declines or if the top ranked player won the USTA PNW NTRP Section Championship, the next highest qualified player on the Final Year End Ranking list will be invited. This process will continue until one doubles player accepts the invitation. A doubles player may choose their partner as long as they are listed anywhere on the 2019 Final Year End Ranking list.

Adult 50 & Over Endorsement Procedures

- USTA PNW NTRP Section Championship (1 spot)
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Additional Notes on the Endorsement Process

- USTA National does not allow self rated players or players with a 0.0 rating to participate in the NTRP National Championships.
- A tie in ranking points will be broken by the following (Note - Only singles matches will be considered for a tie in the singles rankings. Only doubles matches will be considered for a tie in the doubles rankings):
 - Winner of more head-to-head matches in 2018 USTA PNW NTRP Sanctioned Tournaments
 - Highest winning percentage of all 2018 USTA PNW NTRP Sanctioned Tournament matches
 - Winner of the most number of matches of all 2018 USTA PNW NTRP Sanctioned Tournaments
 - Player who has defeated the highest ranked player on the 2018 Final Year End Ranking list
- Players in the Adult 50 & Over Division must have turned at least 50 in the 2018 calendar year.

Players' responsibility at NTRP National Championship

The endorsed players for Pacific NW understand that they must follow all rules and regulations set forth by the USTA National office. The players agree to meet all deadlines and understand that if they do not register by the posted deadline they may forfeit their endorsement. The players agree to pay all expenses associated with the NTRP National Championship including but not limited to airfare, car rental, lodging, meals, entry fee, etc. The players understand they will not receive any compensation from the USTA Pacific NW Section.

Questions in regards to endorsement for the 2019 NTRP National Championships can be sent to Adam Hutchinson at ahutchinson@pnw.usta.com.