

USTA JUNIOR NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS



Entering Two Divisions

The USTA National Championships permit a player to enter more than one age division. *However, it is important to understand the consequences of this decision.*

If you want to play in a USTA National Championship but are unsure if you will get in, you may enter up to two different age divisions. When selection is done, players are selected for the oldest age division first.

- If you are selected into the older age division entered, you will not be selected into the younger age division.
- If you are not selected into the older age division, you will only be considered for selection into the younger division, and you will only be eligible to be an alternate in the younger division.

Selection Process for Boys' & Girls' 14 & 12 Divisions

Singles Selection Procedures:

Each Tournament Committee shall accept players who have submitted timely entries and successful wild-card applicants into the singles draw of a USTA National Championship in the following order:

- Winner of Designated Sectional Ranking Tournament - The USTA National Championships only. Age-eligible players who win the singles event at a designated Sectional Ranking Tournament shall be selected for the same division of The USTA National Championship.
- Players within Sectional Associations' Quotas: Players not previously selected who are on the Sectional Endorsement Lists and within the established Sectional quota and who have submitted timely entries shall be accepted in the order determined by the Sectional endorser.
- Endorsed Players on National Standings List: The Tournament Committee shall fill remaining spots in the draw, except those spots reserved for wild-card recipients, with endorsed players who have submitted timely entries who remain on the most recently published singles National Standings List in the order in which their names appear.
- Wild Cards: The Tournament Committee shall accept those junior players granted wild cards by the USTA Wild Card Committee. Wild-card recipients do not need Sectional endorsement, however the Sectional office must approve a player's wild-card application. Overall wild-card limits are 8 wild cards per age division for the USTA National Championships.

Singles Alternates:

- Alternate List: The Tournament Committee shall prepare an alternate list of those endorsed players not accepted into the singles main draw. Alternates shall be ordered using the National Standings List used to accept players into the draw to fill remaining vacancies. Late entrants who are eligible for selection shall be listed below these players by the date and time on which the late entry is made. If multiple late entries are received at the same time, they shall be ordered by lot. Late entrants are not ordered by position on the National Standings List.
- Replacement of Player before Draw Is Made: Player within Sectional Association Quota. The Tournament Committee shall replace a player who withdraws or is otherwise removed but was accepted as part of a Section's quota with the next player on that Section's endorsement list. If no players remain on a Sectional Endorsement List, the player shall be replaced with the highest remaining alternate. The Tournament Committee shall replace a player who was NOT accepted as part of a Section's quota with the next highest remaining alternate.
- Replacement of Player before Draw Is Made: Winner of designated Sectional Ranking Tournament Accepted into The USTA National Championships. The Tournament Committee shall replace a winner of a designated Sectional Ranking Tournament accepted into The USTA National Championships with the next player on the Sectional Endorsement List from the winner's Sectional Association. If no players remain on a Sectional Endorsement List, the player shall be replaced with the highest remaining alternate.
- Replacement of Player before Draw Is Made: All Other Players. The Tournament Committee shall replace:
 - a player accepted from a Direct Acceptance List
 - a wild-card recipient
 - an endorsed player accepted from the National Standings List used to accept players into the draw pursuant to Regulation XIII.D.5.; and
 - a player accepted from the alternate list with the highest listed remaining alternate.
- Replacement of Player after Draw Is Made but before the Start of Player's First Match: The Tournament Committee shall replace a player who withdraws, is defaulted or is otherwise removed from the draw after the draw has been made but before the start of the player's first match with the highest listed remaining alternate, unless the

Tournament Committee determines the player may remain in the draw.



Selection Process for Boys' & Girls' 16 & 18 Divisions

Singles Selection Procedures:

Each Tournament Committee shall accept players who have submitted timely entries and successful wild-card applicants into the singles draw of a USTA National Championship in the following order:

- Winner of Designated Sectional Ranking Tournament - The USTA National Championships only. Age-eligible players who win the singles event at a designated Sectional Ranking Tournament shall be selected for the same division of The USTA National Championship.
- Players on Direct Acceptance List for USTA National Clay Court Championships and The USTA National Championships in the 18 and 16 Divisions only.
 - 18 Divisions. Up to 32 players shall be accepted in the order in which their names appear on the list.
 - 16 Divisions. Up to 16 players shall be accepted in the order in which their names appear on the list.
- Players within Sectional Associations' Quotas: Players not previously selected who are on the Sectional Endorsement Lists and within the established Sectional quota and who have submitted timely entries shall be accepted in the order determined by the Sectional endorser.
- Endorsed Players on National Standings List: The Tournament Committee shall fill the remaining spots in the draw, except for those spots reserved for wild-card recipients, with endorsed players remaining on the most recently published National Standings List in the order in which their names appear.
- Wild Cards: The Tournament Committee shall accept those junior players granted wild cards by the USTA Wild Card Committee. Wild-card recipients do not need Sectional endorsement; however, the Sectional office must approve a player's wild-card application. Overall, wild-card limits are 8 wild cards per age division for the USTA National Championship.
- Additional Players on National Standings List. If the Wild Card Committee awards fewer than the maximum number of wild cards, the Tournament Committee shall fill the remaining spots in the draw with endorsed players remaining on the National Standings List used to accept players into the draw.

Singles Alternates:

- Alternate List: The Tournament Committee shall prepare an alternate list of those endorsed players not accepted into the singles main draw. Alternates shall be ordered using the National Standings List used to accept players into the draw to fill remaining vacancies. Late entrants who are eligible for selection shall be listed below these players by the date and time on which the late entry is made. If multiple late entries are received at the same time, they shall be ordered by lot. Late entrants are not ordered by position on the National Standings List.
- Replacement of Player before Draw Is Made: The Tournament Committee shall replace a player who withdraws or is otherwise removed but was accepted as part of a Section's quota with the next player on that Section's endorsement list. If no players remain on a Sectional Endorsement List, the player shall be replaced with the highest remaining alternate. The Tournament Committee shall replace a player who was NOT accepted as part of a Section's quota with the next highest remaining alternate.
- Replacement of Player before Draw Is Made: Winner of Designated Sectional Ranking Tournament Accepted into The USTA National Championships. The Tournament Committee shall replace a winner of a designated Sectional Ranking Tournament accepted into The USTA National Championships with the next player on the Sectional Endorsement List from the winner's Sectional Association. If no players remain on a Sectional Endorsement List, the player shall be replaced with the highest remaining alternate.
- Replacement of Player before Draw Is Made: All other players. The Tournament Committee shall replace:
 - a player accepted from a Direct Acceptance List
 - a wild-card recipient
 - an endorsed player accepted from the National Standings List used to accept players into the draw pursuant to Regulation XIII.D.5.; and
 - a player accepted from the alternate list with the highest listed remaining alternate.



Doubles Selection Process

Players Eligible to Enter Doubles Event

The following players are eligible to enter the doubles event of a USTA National Championship:

- Singles players
- Singles alternates
- Players with doubles-only endorsements

A player may not enter one division in singles and a different division in doubles at sites where two divisions are held.

NO other players are eligible to play doubles.

The Tournament Committee shall accept doubles teams into the doubles event in the following order:

1. Teams comprising two players in the singles draw shall be accepted.
2. Teams comprising one player in the singles draw and one sectionally endorsed player not in the singles draw. If more than the maximum number of entries is received, selection order is based on the most recently published National Individual Doubles Seeding List (see Determining Order Using National Individual Seeding List below), except that no team comprised of a Late Applicant shall be selected before a team comprised of timely applicants. Tournaments are NOT authorized to expand the draw size beyond 64 teams in order to accommodate these types of teams.
3. Teams comprising two sectionally endorsed players not in the singles draw. If more than the maximum number of entries is received, selection order is based on the most recently published National Individual Doubles Seeding List (see Determining Order Using National Individual Seeding List below), except that no team comprised of a Late Applicant shall be selected before a team comprised of timely applicants. Tournaments are NOT authorized to expand the draw size beyond 64 teams in order to accommodate these types of teams.
4. Determining Order Using National Individual Doubles Seeding List. Teams shall be seeded in the order of their combined standings using the most recently published National Individual Doubles Seeding List of the division. For example, Player A holds the No. 1 standing and Player B holds the No. 10 standing on the National Individual Doubles Seeding List. The Team of A&B would have the combined standing of 11. A team with a combined standing greater than 11 is seeded after Team A&B. If there is a tie, the team with the player that has the highest doubles standing on the list shall be seeded in the higher position.

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