



**2018 USTA INTERMOUNTAIN
Mixed 18 & Over Sectional Championship Handbook**

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SITES, DATES, DIRECTIONS

MIXED 18 & OVER SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Sites: Boise Racquet & Swim Club, Fairmont Park

Dates: July 13-15, 2018

YOUR DISTRICT WILL FORWARD YOUR TEAM ROSTER TO SECTION TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR

Online Registration: Team Captains MUST register their teams in order to participate in this Sectional Championship.

Registration instructions:

1. Go to [Website](#)
2. Click on the "Registration" link to register your team. You will receive a registration confirmation via email or you can print your own confirmation on the final registration summary page.

Team Entry Fee: \$216.15 /team (includes \$16.15 administrative fee)*

TENNIS FACILITY

Boise Racquet & Swim Club (Tournament Headquarters)

1116 N. Cole Road
Boise, Idaho 83704
Ph: (208) 376-1052

[DIR](#)

Fairmont Park

7561 Northview St.
Boise, ID 83704
Ph: (208) 608-7686

[DIR](#)

Practice Courts

Practice courts may be available prior to the event but are limited. In most instances reservations are required and court fees are paid by players. Please contact facility directly.

TRAVEL

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Destination airport is Boise Idaho (**BOI**). When making your flight arrangements please note the following:

Matches start at 8:00 a.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Matches should be completed by 4:00 p.m. on Sunday. Please be advised that the match schedule is subject to change at ANY time as deemed necessary by the Championship Committee. Therefore we strongly recommend that you make your flight arrangements with the intention of participating throughout the entire weekend. Weather or other delays may occur, so **we strongly suggest that you do NOT schedule an early afternoon flights home on Sunday.** Please make your travel plans in accordance with these tournament parameters.

HOTEL INFORMATION

Hyatt Place Boise Town Square

925 North Milwaukee Street
Boise, Idaho, USA, 83704
(208) 375-1200

Standard Room Rate: \$102.00 + tax (13%) /night (single and/or double occupancy)

Deadline: To receive this rate, reservations must be made **no later than June 28, 2018**

Cancellation Policy- 48 hours before check-in-date.

Reservations: [CLICK HERE](#)

Call hotel directly (208) 375-1200; **Group Code: USTA Intermountain Mixed Doubles Section**

Parking: Ample parking-free

Hot Breakfast Buffet: Complimentary

Directions: [DIR](#)

Transportation

The Hyatt has complimentary shuttle service within a 4 mile radius of hotel from 7:00am 10:30pm. Shuttle does **NOT** offer service to airport or tennis facilities. **The use of rental car(s) is strongly recommended.**

ELIGIBILITY

TEAM ELIGIBILITY

- A minimum of six (6) team members (three women and three men) who were on the final roster of their local league team roster must be available and eligible to **combine and compete**.
- Note: Teams that do not have the minimum number of players required at the start of tournament are subject to a Championship Grievance being filed by the Championship Committee

PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

- Each player shall have reached eighteen (18) years of age prior to, or during the calendar year in which such player plays in his/her first local league match.
- Any individual who progresses to championship level in the USTA League Tennis Program must be a USTA current member through each championship progression.
- The minimum NTRP Level for 6.0 is 2.5, 7.0 is 3.0, 8.0 is 3.5, 9.0 is 4.0, 10.0 is 4.5 **USTA Regulation 1.04D (4)**
- All individual team members must be from the appropriate level of play in accordance with the NTRP system.
- A player is eligible to advance to championship level competition if that player has played on that same team in at least **two (2) matches** during its local league season. A maximum of **one (1) default** received by the player during local league competition shall count for advancing. A retired match shall count for all players involved. **USTA Regulation 2.03A(3)**
- A player must have played at least **three (3) matches through** Sectional Championships to be eligible to advance to **National Championship** competition. A maximum of one default received by the player during local league or championship competition shall count for advancing. **USTA League Regulation 2.03A(4).**

Player Identification Check

Tournament staff will conduct random checks of player ID at time of check-in for matches. Be sure your players know to have ID with them at all times. If the player is without ID when asked for it he/she will be asked to provide it before they can be sent on the court.

RULES, REGULATIONS, SCORING, COACHING

INTENT TO PLAY

No later than three days after completion of district championships or local league, each team which qualifies to compete in the sectional championship must notify the District League Coordinator that it will or will not participate in the tournament. District League Coordinator must in turn, notify the Section League Coordinator of teams attending Sectional Championship. If a team gives notice that it will participate but then fails to do so, penalties may be administered with the maximum penalty being disqualification of all of its members who had agreed to participate from all league play for the following year. The Championship Committee named for the event where the violation occurs shall decide upon the penalty. This decision may be appealed to the ITA Section League Grievance Committee.

RULES & REGULATIONS

- USTA Rules and League Regulations will be enforced during the championship.
- All match lineups must be submitted to the tournament desk by the team captain **at least 30 minutes** prior to the start of the match. Failure to comply may result in penalties as imposed at the tournament director's discretion.

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Teams eligible to advance to the USTA Mixed 18 & Over **National** Championship (6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0, & 10.0 levels) are required to register on-line as well as review all event information provided on the national USTA website at usta.com/nationalchampionships.

To register for **Nationals** each player on the team will need to register and pay an individual fee, not a team fee. The fee is \$55.00 per person and the player can find the registration link at the above URL

*Please be advised that you **will not receive** a packet of information from National – all information is located on the website.*

Move Up/Split Up 2.06A (National Championship Teams)

Please see **USTA League Regulation 2.06A** for complete details or contact your District League Coordinator to be sure you are in compliance before forming teams for 2018.

SCORING

- Best of two tiebreak sets with a Match Tiebreak (if required) in lieu of a third set
- The Coman Tiebreak Procedure will be used for the Set and Match Tiebreak. This procedure is the same as traditional Tiebreak, except that ends are changed after the 1st point, then after every four points and at the conclusion of the Tiebreak. The Set tiebreak is the first to 7 by 2 pts. The Match tiebreak is the first to 10 by 2.
- Two minute rest between the 1st and 2nd set and between the 2nd set and 3rd set match tiebreak.
- Scores must be reported to the tournament desk immediately after match is completed. When all matches are complete, both Team Captains are to report to the tournament desk to sign the official tournament scorecard.

CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT SETUP

- Teams will compete in a non-elimination Round-robin format at the 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0 and 10.0 levels. The team winning the majority of those individual matches will be awarded one team point.
- The winner of each flight/division will be determined by team matches won
- In the event of a tie, the tie will be broken by the first of the following procedures:
 - **Individual Matches** – Winner of the most individual matches in the entire competition
 - **Head-to-Head** – Winner of head-to-head match
 - **Sets** – Loser of the fewest number of sets
 - **Games** – Loser of the fewest number of games
 - **A method to be determined by the championships committee:** procedure to be announced prior to commencement of championship competition.

COACHING

No coaching allowed. No cell phones or electronic devices allowed on court.

BALLS

Penn balls will be provided. Players will NOT be given a new can of balls for 3rd set tiebreak.

UMPIRES

There may be certified roving officials present at the site.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

Please note that the tournament format, number of matches and match length may change due to a team not showing up or circumstances beyond our control such as weather. Rain could cause delays, modifications to the format, and possible cancellation of the tournament.

In the event of rain, please remain at the tournament site until the tournament staff informs you of the play schedule. In the event of a long rain delay, it will be at the discretion of the Tournament Committee to use an alternative-playing format.

CANCELLATION

If the championship, or part of the championship is cancelled due to rain or unforeseen circumstances, the championship will **NOT** be rescheduled.

PLAYER & TOURNAMENT DETAILS

[MANDATORY CAPTAINS' CONFERENCE CALL](#)

(Captains and Co-Captains only)

Date: Monday July 9th.2018

Time: 6:30pm (Mountain Time).

Conference Call # 1-800-704-1867 Enter Code 23835#

MATCH SCHEDULE

Match schedule will be posted to the ITA website no later than **July 4, 2018.**

[CLICK HERE](#)

AWARDS

The USTA Intermountain Section will provide **up** to twelve (12) awards for each **1st Place** team(s). Awards may be shipped to the captain after the Sectional Championship. If you have any questions concerning awards please contact, Becky Hodous: bhodous@ita.usta.com

T-SHIRTS

Each player competing in the championship will receive one (1) Sectional Championship t-shirt. Captains will request sizes at time of on-line registration. Please understand we will attempt to accommodate size exchanges but it is not always possible to do so.

Both men and women's shirts are 100% cotton. We will be providing a women's V-neck cut t-shirt and men's crew neck cut t-shirt as follows:

Men's Sizes: Medium, Large, XL and 2XL.

Women's Sizes: Small (4-6), Medium (8-10), Large (12-14), XL(16-18) and 2XL(18-20).

Note: Women's sizes tend to run small.

TEAM PHOTOS

If time permits, team photos will be taken of the First Place teams once the winning team has been determined at each level. These photos are posted on our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/USTASection13> after the event. If your team prefers to use an alternate photo, please email it to Wendy Anderson, USTA Intermountain Marketing and Communications Manager, at wanderson@ita.usta.com within one week after the conclusion of event.

In consideration of championship participation, players grant USTA Intermountain permission to use their likeness in photograph(s)/video(s)/voice in any and all publications and media whether known or hereafter existing, controlled by USTA Intermountain, in perpetuity. Further, players waive any right to royalties, inspection or approval to the finished product and forever discharge USTA Intermountain from all claims, demands and causes of action which the registrants, their heirs, representatives, executors, administrators, or any other persons acting on their behalf or on the behalf of their estate have or may have by reason of this authorization.

TENNISLINK

Match results will be entered daily. To view standings go to <http://tennislink.usta.com/leagues> locate "**Stats and Standings**". Click on Championship Advanced Search and scroll down to the appropriate Section Championship and appropriate level.

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