

# How to Qualify for the 2024 NTRP National Championships from the Northern California Section

## Divisions:

- 18 & Over Men's & Women's 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5, 5.0 Singles/Doubles/Mixed
- 18 & Over Men's & Women's 2.5 Singles/Doubles
- 40 & Over Men's & Women's 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5 Singles/Doubles
- 55 & Over Men's & Women's 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5 Singles/Doubles

Northern California's quota for 2024:

Northern California's quota is 2 players in each singles division, and 2 teams in each doubles division.

Players for the 2 quota spots will be selected using the following criteria:

## Selection Criteria:

Qualifying events:

For the 18 & Over 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5, 5.0 Singles/Doubles/Mixed divisions – USTA NorCal will host a Grand Prix tournament  
For the 18 & Over 2.5 Singles/Doubles divisions and the 40 & Over and 55 & Over (all divisions) – A NorCal Qualifying event will be held.

Spot #1

- 1) The **Champion** of the Grand Prix or NorCal Qualifying event will receive NorCal's endorsement to the 2024 NTRP National Championships. The 2nd place finisher will be the #1 alternate. The 3<sup>rd</sup> place finisher will be the #2 alternate and the 4<sup>th</sup> place finisher will be alternate #3. If a draw is not possible due to lack of entries, or if the champion and all three alternates cannot participate, Spot #1 will be filled using the same criteria as spot #2.

\* Doubles players qualify as a team. If one player from the team cannot go to the NTRP National Championship, the spot will go to the team in 2<sup>nd</sup> place, followed by the 3<sup>rd</sup> and then 4<sup>th</sup> place. If a draw is not possible due to lack of entries, or if the champion and all three alternates cannot participate, Spot #1 will be filled using the same criteria as spot #2.

NOTE: If a qualifying event is not held, both spots will be selected using criteria for spot #2

Spot #2

- 2) The **highest ranked NorCal player on the last published National Standings List** prior to entries closing will be selected into the 2024 NTRP National Championships. If the top player already received the endorsement as champion of the Grand Prix, the spot will go to the player in 2<sup>nd</sup> position.

Important: Players must have played at least one (1) tournament in the NorCal section

\* For Doubles the spot will go to the registered individual who is the highest ranked NorCal player on the NSL prior to entries closing. They will be able to choose their partner. However, the partner **MUST** also be on the standings list for the same division.

\* For Mixed doubles players, the spot will go to the NorCal player who has the largest number of ranking points on the NSL prior to entries closing. They will be able to choose their partner. However, the partner **MUST** also be on the standings list for the same division. If a tie exists between the male and female player, the players will be asked to designate their partner – the team with the higher number of points will be endorsed

NTRP Rating Validation (important changes):

- Players will use their most CURRENT year-end rating, valid in the year of the NTRP National Championship. Players will NOT be allowed to play below their CURRENT level. If a player qualifies for spot #1 or spot #2 but is moved up a rating level, they will be able to participate at the championship at their NEW level. Their spot at the prior level will be given to the player next in line. (see criteria above)
- Self-rated players are not eligible to participate