

# 2023 USA BADMINTON YONEX U.S. SENIOR NATIONALS



August 25, 2023 – August 27, 2023

Entry Deadline: August 13, 2023, 11:59 AM EDT

(ONE MINUTE BEFORE NOON)

In the event of unforeseeable situations, USA Badminton may make changes to Senior National event and its prospectus at its discretion. Please check frequently at <a href="https://www.tournamentsoftware.com">www.tournamentsoftware.com</a> and/or tournament desk for updates.

# 1. National Organization

USA Badminton One Olympic Plaza Colorado Springs CO 80909 www.usabadminton.org

#### 2. Presented by

- USA Badminton
- Yonex USA

# 3. Hosted by

• Miami Lakes Athletic Club

#### 4. Dates

Main Rounds: August 25 - 27, 2023

#### 5. Venue

Miami Lakes Athletic Club 15150 Bull Run Road Miami Lakes, FL 33014 Telephone: (305) 820-8025

Website: https://miamilakesathleticclub.com/

## 6. Airports

- Miami International Airport (MIA) 30 minutes
- Fort Lauderdale International Airport (FLL) 40 minutes
- Palm Beach International Airport (PBI) 60 minutes

#### 7. Events

- Categories: Men's Singles (MS), Women's Singles (WS), Men's Doubles (MD), Women's Doubles (WD) and Mixed Doubles (XD).
- Age Divisions: 30+, 35+, 40+, 45+, 50+, 55+, 60+, 65+, 70+, 75+
- To qualify for an age division, the player's age must be the age limit of the division or older as of 1/1/2023.
  - o 30+ (30 or older as of 1/1/2023)
  - o 35+ (35 or older as of 1/1/2023)
  - o 40+ (40 or older as of 1/1/2023)
  - 45+ (45 or older as of 1/1/2023)
  - 50+ (50 or older as of 1/1/2023)
    - o 55+ (55 or older as of 1/1/2023)
    - o 60+ (60 or older as of 1/1/2023)
    - o 65+ (65 or older as of 1/1/2023)
    - o 70+ (70 or older as of 1/1/2023)
    - o 75+ (75 or older as of 1/1/2023)





- A consolation draw may be used at the discretion of the Tournament Referee if time permits.
- Registering players must be born before January 1, 1993. USAB and the Tournament Referee reserves the right not to accept signed up players who do not meet the age criteria for the respective age group events.
- Matches are best of three games to 21 points.
- Events that only have 1 or 2 players/pairs will be combined with the next age group up or canceled.
- Players may enter a maximum of 4 events consisting of Singles events, Doubles events, and Mixed Doubles events. The limit does not apply to Women's Singles.

#### 8. Caps

In the circumstance that more entries are received than can be accommodated in the available court hours, events may be capped. The event Caps will be based on time of entry (latest entries will be capped out first). Players on the reserve list will be informed by August 18, 2023. No geographical separation will be used.

#### 9. Tournament Director

Tournament Director: David Zarco – Email: <u>zarcoprosmash@gmail.com</u>
 Deputy Tournament Director: Dudley Chen – Email: <u>diggychen@gmail.com</u>

#### 10. Referee

• Referee: Andrew Williams – Email: <u>007jawilliams@gmail.com</u>

#### 11. Entry Fees and Refund

Tournament Fee and Refund								
Tournament	Max Event Per Player	Entry Fee	Refund 1 event	Refund 2 Events	Refund 3 events	Refund 4 Events		
Senior Nationals	1	\$50	\$40	N/A	N/A	N/A		
	2	\$90	\$40	\$80	N/A	N/A		
	3	\$130	\$40	\$80	\$120	N/A		
	4	\$170	\$40	\$80	\$120	\$160		

A **NON-REFUNDABLE \$10 Technical Official/Admin fee** is assessed per player. All events must be paid with your entry fees on <a href="https://www.tournamentsoftware.com">www.tournamentsoftware.com</a>. No refunds will be granted after the entry deadline.

# 12. Key Dates

August 13, 2023	Entry must be made online at <a href="https://www.tournamentsoftware.com">www.tournamentsoftware.com</a> and paid via Zelle as published on the event, by 11:59 AM EDT (ONE MINUTE BEFORE NOON). LATE ENTRIES, any other forms of entry and payment WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.	
August 16, 2023	Accepted entries for each event published on www.tournamentsoftware.com	
August 18, 2023	Draws posted by this date on <u>www.tournamentsoftware.com</u>	
August 23, 2023	Match schedule published on <u>www.tournamentsoftware.com</u>	

#### 13. Eligibility

- Participation in the 2023 YONEX U.S. Senior Nationals is open to any current member of USA Badminton (USAB) in good standing, who meets the age criteria and eligibility criteria below.
- Contact USAB at <u>ContactUs@usabadminton.org</u> if guidance is needed on player eligibility especially players with foreign





passports.

## **Who Can Compete**

- Any player residing in the United States who is a current member of USA Badminton.
- U.S. citizens living in the U.S. and outside the U.S with a current USA Badminton membership.
- OPEN to non-U.S. players.
- All participants should have their Birth Certificate or Passport copy and a current passport sized photo uploaded to
   <a href="https://www.dropbox.com/request/gl1ScWKwMJrPfCEBILXL">https://www.dropbox.com/request/gl1ScWKwMJrPfCEBILXL</a> or sent to <a href="mailto:Trenton.Szeto@usabadminton.org">Trenton.Szeto@usabadminton.org</a> for age verification.

   Please upload your photo to your Club Locker account.

#### 14. Entry & Deadline

- Entries must be made online at <u>www.tournamentsoftware.com</u> and full payment must be made through Zelle by <u>Sunday</u> August 13, 2023, 11:59 AM EDT (ONE MINUTE BEFORE NOON).
  - To pay the registration and entry fees via ZELLE:
     If you don't have a Zelle account, but your bank has online banking, chances are your bank also has Zelle as a service, and it's free. You'll need to sign up with Zelle to pay the entry fees.
  - When you pay via Zelle, send the payment to the following email address: <a href="mailto:zarcoprosmash@gmail.com">zarcoprosmash@gmail.com</a>
  - It should come up as ZARCO, LLC
- LATE ENTRIES and other forms of entry WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
- If you are not a USAB member, you must create an account on <u>Club Locker</u>

  You'll need a working email to register; for your account to be activated, you'll be required to verify activation from your email.

  Upon doing so, log in, complete your profile, and upload your photo and required Tournament Documents. Please ensure that your Member ID# in Tournament Software matches your USA Badminton Member ID in USAB's database.

#### • Important:

Please DO <u>NOT</u> WAIT until the last minute. Sign up for 2023 YONEX Senior Nationals on tournamentsoftware.com as soon as possible so should technical issues arise, there will be enough time to address them.

# Valid Entry

For the entry to be valid, make sure that the following are met:

- The player is signed up through <u>www.tournamentsoftware.com</u>
- The player has paid all the entry fees by August 13, 2023 11:59 AM EDT (ONE MINUTE BEFORE NOON) through Zelle. This
  includes situations where a player enters different events at different times. ONLY EVENTS THAT ARE FULLY PAID FOR BY THE
  ENTRY DEADLINE WILL BE ACCEPTED.
- If a player has signed up for a Doubles and/or a Mixed Doubles event, that player must ensure their partner(s) are informed, and they, too, must register online for the correct event(s) and age group(s), and pay all of their entry fees. Be sure to enter your partner's name next to the event selected. If they are requesting a partner, select "Partner wanted". If the partner is not registered by the entry deadline, the player entry will be accepted in that event with "Partner wanted" designation.

# 15. Withdrawals / Cancellations

On-Time Withdrawals (Withdrawal by entry deadline)

Players who withdraw on <u>www.tournamentsoftware.com</u> by the entry deadline August 13, 2023 11:59 AM EDT (ONE MINUTE





# BEFORE NOON) will have their entry fees refunded. The following persons must be notified of the withdrawal by email:

Tournament Director: David Zarco
 Referee: Andrew Williams
 Email: <u>zarcoprosmash@gmail.com</u>
 Email: <u>007jawilliams@gmail.com</u>

# Late Withdrawals (Withdrawal after entry deadline)

• For withdrawals made after the entry deadline August 13, 2023, 11:59 AM EDT (ONE MINUTE BEFORE NOON) other than extenuating circumstances, the entry fees and tournament processing fee will not be refunded.

• The withdrawing player must notify the following via email:

Tournament Director: David Zarco
 Referee: Andrew Williams
 Email: <u>zarcoprosmash@gmail.com</u>
 Email: <u>007jawilliams@gmail.com</u>

#### **Event or Tournament Cancellation**

• If an individual event(s), e.g. - 30+ MS within the tournament is cancelled due to lack of entries etc., or if several event(s) are cancelled or if the whole tournament is cancelled due to factors beyond the control of USAB e.g., bad weather, lack of overall entries, then the entry fee will be refunded as per section 9.

• Refunds will be the responsibility of the Tournament Director.

#### 16. Draw

- Tournament Software will be used to make the draws.
- No geographical separation.

#### 17. Schedule

Date	Time	Tournament Phase	Events
Friday, August 25, 2023 12:00 pm – 10:00 pm Registration		Registration and Tournament Play (Note Registration and	All
		Tournament Play may start later depending on schedule)	
	TBA	Open Practice (pending court availability)	
Saturday, August 26, 2023	8:30 am – 10:00 pm	Tournament Play	All
Sunday, August 27, 2023	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	Finals	All

# ALL PLAYERS IN ALL EVENTS MUST BE AVAILABLE FOR ALL THE TOURNAMENT HOURS. PLAN YOUR FLIGHTS ACCORDINGLY!

# 18. Conditions of Play

- YONEX tournament grade shuttles will be used throughout the tournament.
- Matches will be the best of 3 games to 21 points in rally-scoring format.
- A player not ready to play 10 minutes after his/her match is called may be defaulted.
- Acceptable badminton clothing must be worn by players and coaches during a match. Doubles partners are encouraged
  to wear matching colors.
- Entry fees will not be eligible for refund if the withdrawal occurs after August 13, 2023 11:59 AM EDT (ONE MINUTE BEFORE NOON).
- The Zelle Refund Processing Fee is non-refundable. See section 10 for details.
- The tournament organizers, in consultation with USAB, reserve the right to change any of the above conditions.

## 19. Awards





Medals shall be awarded to finalists and semi-finalists in each Main Draw, and to all Consolation winners.

#### 20. Medical Insurance

- All players (whose USAB memberships are current) are covered by USAB insurance.
- Neither the host, nor USAB is responsible for medical expenses incurred during the competition.

#### 21. Official Hotel

Miami Lakes Hotel 6842 Main Street Miami Lakes, FL 33014 Tel: (305) 821-1150

Mention St. Thomas University for special room rate.

# 22. Contacts

Membership/Player Eligibility	USAB National Office	USAB Staff	ContactUs@usabadminton.org	
Technical Issues	Club Locker	USAB Staff	ContactUs@usabadminton.org	
	Tournamentsoftware registration & Zelle payment	David Zarco	zarcoprosmash@gmail.com	
Facilities, hotel etc.	Tournament Director	David Zarco	zarcoprosmash@gmail.com	
Seeding, Draw, Schedule	Referee	Andrew Williams	007jawilliams@gmail.com	
Technical Officials	Technical Officials Advisory Group (TOAG)	Phil Ayoung Chee	toag@usabadminton.org	

Indemnity: USA Badminton Waiver & Release of Liability

Note: This form must be read and signed before the participant is permitted to take part in event sessions. By signing this agreement, the participant affirms having read it. By submitting the online entry for the 2023 YONEX U.S. Senior National Championships, the participant (and parent(s)/guardian(s) if participant is of minority age) affirms having read this document and agrees to be bound by its terms.

In consideration of my involvement at the 2023 YONEX U.S. Senior National Championships under the auspices of USA

Badminton, I acknowledge, appreciate, and agree that:

- 1. I risk bodily injury, including paralysis, dismemberment, disability, and death, and while particular rules of the sport, equipment, and discipline may reduce this risk, this risk of injury does exist, as well as the risk of damage to or loss of property.
- 2. I knowingly and freely assume all such risk; both known and unknown, even if arising from the negligence of the releasees or others.
- 3. I willingly agree to comply with the customary terms and conditions for participation. If, however, I observe any unusual or unnecessary hazard during my presence or participation or if I observe any concern in my readiness for participation, I will immediately bring such to the attention of the nearest official and refrain from participation; and
- 3a. I, for myself, and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, hereby release, hold harmless and promise not to sue USA Badminton, the committee, their respective sponsors, or the respective officers, directors, volunteers, staff, sponsors and/or agents of any of them (collectively, the "releasees") with respect to any and all injury and loss arising from my participation, whether caused by the negligence of the releasees, the condition of the premises or otherwise, except that which is the result of gross negligence or wanton misconduct, to the fullest extent permitted by law. I give permission for emergency medical treatment to be administered as deemed appropriate. Included within the release above, I release and forever discharge the releasees from any claim whatsoever which arises or may hereafter arise on account of any first-aid treatment or other medical services rendered in connection with my participation.
- 4. I agree to be bound by the rules and regulations of the Badminton World Federation and those of USA Badminton and I hereby stipulate that I am eligible to play in the events for which I am applying and that I understand that the above





- mentioned make no representation or warranty with respect to the condition of the premises or the operation of the event.
- 5. I hereby grant to USA Badminton, its licensees and contractors, including photographers, all right, title and interest in and to anyand all photographic images and video or audio recordings of whatever kind or type in any medium, made by or for USA Badminton during the event, including the right to film or videotape me during matches, narratives or personal interviews, or the right to comment thereon for any and all commercial, news or other purposes, together with the right to transfer or grant such rights to others, and to all royalties, proceeds and/or other benefits derived from such photographs and recordings, all without remuneration or compensation to me whatsoever.
- 6. I acknowledge that my participation may be conditioned upon my submission to drug testing and that the use of methods or substances prohibited by applicable anti-doping rules may subject me to penalties including, but not limited to, disqualification and suspension.
- 7. I accept and will follow all local directives and procedures established for the event including usage of documents for court entry that may be required locally in response to Covid-19 and/or USOPC's SafeSport regulations, and I acknowledge that violating these may result in my exclusion from the venue as decided by the Tournament Referee.
- 8. I consent to receiving treatment from the AT/PT. Any treatment will be rendered in an observable, interruptible manner.
- 9. I give my express written permission for myself to participate in the tournament and agree to follow the rules of the event. If I am signing and submitting this consent electronically, I acknowledge that my electronic signature shall have the same validity, force and effect as if I signed this consent by hand.



