

2025 YONEX USA BADMINTON ADULT NATIONALS

SELECTION EVENT FOR 2026 PAN AM M&F CUP

TOURNAMENT DATES: December 27 – 30, 2025

ENTRY DEADLINE: December 11, 2025 @11:59 AM Pacific



This year's YONEX USA Adult National Championships will be the selection event for the 2026 Pan Am M&F Cup scheduled for February 12-15, 2026 in Guatemala City, Guatemala.

The Pan Am M&F Cup is the continental event to determine the country that will represent Pan Am at the 2026 Thomas & Uber Cup Finals. The 2026 Thomas & Uber Cup Finals are scheduled for April 24 – May 3, 2026 in Horsens, Denmark. Both the Pan Am M&F Cup and the Thomas/Uber Cup Finals are included in the World Ranking system, see Section 5.3.3.1 [Statutes | BWF Corporate \(bwfbadminton.com\)](#). The Team Event format at the Pan Am M&F Cup is based on the Thomas/Uber Cup format (BWF World Team Championship) where each tie consists of 3 singles and 2 doubles. USAB shall determine its own procedure to select the athletes who will be on the USAB team for the 2025 Pan Am M&F Cup.

Parents/guardians of minor athletes must sign a waiver acknowledging that there are adult athletes participating in the event who may not have been SafeSport trained or background checked. Adult athletes that are selected for the Pan Am M&F Cup will need to be SafeSport trained and background checked.

1. National Organization	USA Badminton P.O. Box 200523 Denver, CO 80220 Phone: 714-602-1691 www.usabadminton.org
2. Presented by	• USA Badminton • U.S. Badminton Academy • Yonex USA
3. Date	December 27, 2025 – December 30, 2025
4. Venue Information	• Name: U.S. Badminton Academy Address: 4569 Las Positas Rd Unit A, Livermore, CA 94551 Phone: (925.292.5296) Website: https://usbadmintonacademy.com/ Nearest Airports: OAK, SJC, SFO
5. Referee & Deputy Referee	Referee Name: Eugene Carbajal Email: eugene_carbajal@usa.net Deputy Referee Name: Ian Counter Email: icounter@gmail.com
6. Tournament Director	Name: Kevin Banh Email: kevin.banh1@gmail.com
7. Events	Men's Singles, Women's Singles, Men's Doubles, Women's Doubles, Mixed Doubles (Mixed Doubles is not part of the Selection Event as there is no Mixed Doubles in the Pan Am or BWF event)

8. Entry Fees

Entries and payments are only accepted via <http://www.tournamentsoftware.com>

Event entry fee: \$80 per person for 1 or 2 events, and \$120 for 3 events.

Additional fees: \$15 Technical Official/Admin fee per person and \$40 Pan Am M&F Cup Coaching Funding fee per person. Must be paid with your entry fees on www.tournamentsoftware.com.

Full payment must be made online through PayPal at the time of signing up on www.tournamentsoftware.com. Once registration is completed and you have submitted your entries, you will be re-directed to PayPal to process your payment. This includes instances where a player enters different events at different times – all the events must be fully paid for by the entry deadline, otherwise events not paid for will be cancelled. A player will only be permitted to play in accepted entries that have been fully paid.

No refunds will be made for entries or fee payments received after the entry deadline of December 11, 2025 11:59 AM PST (one minute **BEFORE NOON**).

9. Key Dates

December 11, 2025	Current ID documents (Passport ID page or birth certificate) should be uploaded to https://www.dropbox.com/request/AUst7xlgL6zy1iWyOiMd or emailed to Trenton.Szeto@usabadminton.org by this date.
December 11, 2025	Entry <i>must</i> be made online at www.tournamentsoftware.com and paid via PayPal link as published on the event, by 11:59 AM (one minute BEFORE NOON) PST. <i>Late entries will not be accepted. Other forms of entry and payment will not be accepted.</i>
December 11, 2025	Withdrawals submitted by entry deadline December 11, 2025 11:59 AM (one minute BEFORE NOON) PST are eligible for refund (see section above). Note, processing fees by PayPal & \$5 administration fee are non-refundable.
December 11, 2025	Coaching credentials application must be applied for by this deadline. Click this link for more information: https://usabadminton.org/coaching/
TBA	Open draw by TOAG, available by Zoom meeting at TBA.
December 19, 2025	Draws will be posted on or before this date on www.tournamentsoftware.com

10. Eligibility

- **Only U.S. citizens** who are current USAB Members in good standing may participate.
- All participants must have their Birth Certificate or Passport copy with a current passport sized photo uploaded to <https://www.dropbox.com/request/AUst7xlgL6zy1iWyOiMd> or emailed to Trenton.Szeto@usabadminton.org for verification. Please upload your photo to your Club Locker account.

Note: Players who cannot demonstrate eligibility prior to the draw publish date of the tournament may be disqualified by the Referee. No refunds will be given if a player is deemed to be ineligible.

11. Pan Am M&F Cup Selection Principles and Procedures

See separate selection procedures document.

12. Entry & Deadline

- Entries must be made online at www.tournamentsoftware.com and full payment must be received through PayPal by Thursday, December 11, 2025 11:59 AM PST (One minute **BEFORE NOON**).
- **LATE ENTRIES and other forms of entry WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**
- Tournament Documents (copy of passport and/or birth certificate) and passport photo must be uploaded to <https://www.dropbox.com/request/AUst7xlgL6zy1iWyOiMd> or emailed to Trenton.Szeto@usabadminton.org by December 11, 2025 11:59 AM PST (One minute **BEFORE NOON**).
- If you are not a USAB member, you must create an account on [Club Locker](#). You will need a working email to sign up and for your account to be activated, you will be required to verify from your email. Upon doing that, login and complete your profile, upload photo.
- **Important:** Do **NOT** wait till the last minute. Sign up on tournamentsoftware.com as soon as possible so that if technical issues come up, there will be enough time to resolve them.

Valid Entry

- The player is signed up through www.tournamentsoftware.com.
- The player has paid all the entry fees by December 11, 2025 11:59 AM PST (One minute BEFORE **NOON**) through PayPal. This includes instances where player enters different events at different times – all the events must be fully paid for by the entry deadline, otherwise all of them will be canceled and the player will not be permitted to play in the tournament.
- If the player has signed up for a Doubles and/or a Mixed Doubles event, make sure that the partner(s) are informed, and they sign up and pay the entry fees. Be sure to enter your partner's name next to the event selected. If you are requesting for a partner, select "Partner wanted".
- Required documents (copy of passport and/or birth certificate) and passport photo submitted by December 11, 2025 11:59 AM PST (One minute BEFORE **NOON**).
- A completed and signed USAB Waiver & Release of Liability Form (on JotForm or TournamentSoftware) has been submitted.
 - An additional waiver for parents/guardians of minor athletes will be sent out after the entry deadline.

13. Withdrawals & Refunds

- For all withdrawals (Before or after the entry deadline), the following persons must be notified of the withdrawal by email:
 1. Tournament Director: Kevin Banh – Email: kevin.banh1@gmail.com
 2. Tournament Referee: Eugene Carbajal – Email: eugene_carbajal@usa.net
 3. Tournament Deputy Referee: Ian Counter – Email: icounter@gmail.com
- Players who withdraw before the entry deadline of December 11, 2025 11:59 AM PST (one minute BEFORE **NOON**) will have their entry fees refunded, minus the \$5 Admin fee.
- Refunds will be processed via PayPal; all PayPal processing fees are non-refundable.
- After the entry deadline there will be no refunds for withdrawals.

Event or Tournament Cancellation

- If an individual event(s) within a 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.
- If the entire tournament is canceled, BWF Rankings as of January 6, 2026 will be used to select the top (best) four ranked singles players & top (best) three ranked doubles pairs accepting entry to the Pan Am Mixed Team Competition)
- The refund will be the responsibility of the Tournament Director and/or USAB.

14. Draw & Seeding

- The Adult Nationals will follow USA Badminton Tournament Regulations.
- Seeding will be done per the USAB Adult Rankings as of November 2025 or the latest rankings, even if the rankings are incomplete or contain errors and as needed, BWF rankings.
- Main rounds and feed-in consolation rounds or pool play as based on number of entries.
 - A feed-in consolation draw through quarterfinals will be used in accordance with USA Badminton Tournament Regulations. Alternatively, pool play may be used based on number of entries.
- The draw will be conducted by the Referee or TOAG designee.

15. Schedule

It is the intent that all events will start on the first day. Players must be available for all playing hours on each day. Draws and match times will be posted on www.tournamentsoftware.com. It is the responsibility of each player to find out the time of his/her first match. If an event is undersubscribed USAB will start the event on December 28 and may conclude the event prior to December 30.

DAY/DATE	TIME	PHASE
Saturday, December 27	10:00 AM	Open court practice
	3:00 PM	Registration

	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Tournament Play (As required for events)
Sunday, December 28	9:00 AM – 8:00 PM	Tournament Play (All Events)
Monday, December 29	9:00 AM – 8:00 PM	Tournament Play (All Events)
Tuesday, December 30	8:30 AM – 4:00 PM	Semi Finals & Finals (including Consolation)

16. 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.
- For all tournaments from November 17th, 2025, a player may self-apply the player's own cold spray between rallies. If the Time Clock is not being used then this will require the umpire's permission and only be granted if play is not held up, for example during a mopping break or an IRS review.

17. Coaching

- USAB only recognizes coaches certified through our USAB/BWF coaching pathway. At USAB sanctioned tournaments, it is mandatory that all coaches have current Coaching Passes, issued annually by USAB.
- **Coaching Pass applications for this tournament must be submitted by December 11, 2025 11:59 AM PST (ONE MINUTE BEFORE NOON) to be considered timely.** A timely Coaching Pass application consists of:
 - BWF-1 online component course certificate of completion (sent to CoachingPass@usabadminton.org)
 - Active, unexpired USAB membership
 - Current, unexpired SafeSport training (must do a refresher course 1 year after previous completion date)
 - Current, unexpired background check cleared by December 11, 2025 (good for two years after original clear date)
 - Signed Coaching Code of Conduct (link in Coaching Pass Application Jotform)
 - Submitted Coaching Pass Application at <https://form.jotform.com/251434481186155>
 - Passport-style photo uploaded to Club Locker for the Coaching Pass
- **Coaching Pass applications for this tournament submitted after the deadline (December 11, 2025) will be subject to a \$200 late fee.** Late applications will be processed up until 5 days prior to the tournament start. An application submitted 3 days before the tournament must have all the requirements of the application completed. If the background check is not already cleared by that date, the Coaching Pass will not be able to be processed late.
- Only certified BWF/USAB coaches with a valid Coaching Pass will be allowed to coach and sit on the coaches' chair. Someone without a valid Coaching Pass for the 2025-2026 season will not be allowed to coach at the event.
 - 2 coaches per side are allowed on court during a match
 - Persons not seated in the coaches' chair are not allowed to coach during a match.
 - Coaches MUST visibly wear the approved USAB Coaching Pass at all times.
 - The Coaching Pass CANNOT be shared with others. Anyone caught sharing the Coaching Pass and/or using a fake Coaching Pass will have their Coaching Pass confiscated by the tournament referee or technical officials.
- For more information on how to become a coach, please go to <https://usabadminton.org/coaching/>.

18. Awards

- Medals shall be awarded to first, second, and third-place finishers of the event.

19. 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.																															
20. Covid-19 Basic Operational Safety Guidelines	• All persons experiencing physical symptoms possibly related to COVID-19, including coughing or fever, are prohibited from entering the competition venue. • Participants are required to observe and follow all routing instructions within the venue. • No food is allowed inside the competition venue. • If new COVID restrictions are imposed in the location of the venue, the restrictions will be followed • In the event that the tournament is cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions being extended or introduced, then a refund of entry fees will be made to the players.																															
21. Official Hotel	DoubleTree by Hilton Livermore (\$114/night) Last day to book: December 8, 2025 https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/rooms/?ctyhocn=OAKLIDT&arrivalDate=2025-12-27&departureDate=2025-12-30&groupCode=CDTUSA&room1NumAdults=1&cid=OM%2CWW%2CHILTONLINK%2CEN%2CDirectLink Courtyard by Marriott Livermore (\$114/night) Last day to book: December 8, 2025 https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A_app.marriott.com_reslink-3Fid-3D1762538821542-26key-3DGRP-26app-3Dresvlink&d=DwMFaQ&c=euGZstcaTDllvimEN8b7jXrwqOf-v5A_CdpagnVfiiMM&r=pb-AYxh433lds08JNVxO6yJakYhAvBQPIfxeiBAaihQ&m=x9yAGPoVDqnSIN32lsjGqDqsHAMMUa59HWk1gjFqluPvrmlcl9v3weSnhaN478NwL&s=dLE3rMcumZaztxXSRO_0j_pt3S95fFT88Q_BqvpmSko&e=																															
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