

# 2024 eCW YONEX BOSTON OPEN

**A 4-STAR USAB SANCTIONED^ TOURNAMENT**

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**TOURNAMENT DATES: SEP 20-22, 2024**

**ENTRY DEADLINE: SEP 13, 2024, 11:59PM (PDT TIME)**

<b>1. National Organization</b>	USA Badminton 1 Olympic Plaza Colorado Springs, CO 80909, USA Phone: 714-602-1691 <a href="http://www.usabadminton.org">www.usabadminton.org</a>
<b>2. Presented by</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Massachusetts Badminton Association</li> <li>● eClinical Works</li> <li>● USA Badminton</li> </ul>
<b>3. Date</b>	Sep 20-22, 2024
<b>4. Venue Information</b>	<p>Boston Badminton Club</p> <p>Address: 169 Flanders Road, Westborough, MA – 01581</p> <p>Phone: (508.329.1710)</p> <p>Website: <a href="http://www.bostonbadminton.com">www.bostonbadminton.com</a></p> <p>Nearest Airport: BOS (Boston Logan International Airport) *45 minutes from gym</p>
<b>5. Referee</b>	<p>Referee: Catharine Lee Email: <a href="mailto:catharinelee@yahoo.com">catharinelee@yahoo.com</a></p> <p>Deputy Referee: Email:</p>
<b>6. Tournament Directors</b>	<p>Name: Nachiappan Chockalingam Email: <a href="mailto:nachiappan1312@gmail.com">nachiappan1312@gmail.com</a></p> <p>Name: Nishant Mehta Email: <a href="mailto:nmehta2002@gmail.com">nmehta2002@gmail.com</a></p>
<b>7. Events</b>	<p><u>Registration Link</u> : <a href="#">Tournament link</a></p> <p><u>USAB Sanctioned Event***:</u> Open A Men’s Singles, Open A Women’s Singles, Open A Men’s Doubles, Open A Women’s Doubles, Open A Mixed Doubles</p> <p><u>Non-Sanctioned Events**:</u> B Men’s Doubles, B Women’s Doubles, B Mixed Doubles</p> <p>**Non-sanctioned events may be capped at the direction of the Tournament Director. ***Only Open Events are sanctioned by USA Badminton.</p>

## 8. Entry Fees

Entries and payments are only accepted via <http://www.tournamentsoftware.com>  
[Tournament Registration - link](#)

Sanctioned Open *A Event* entry fee: \$90 for 1<sup>st</sup> event, \$30 for additional events

The Base Entry fee for first event is \$50 but additional fees must be paid in the [Extra's] section, you need to click "Yes" to the "A Events" box and pay the following:

- Open *A Events* additional fee of \$30 (Must be selected for Open A events)
- Technical Official Fee of \$10 (Must be selected for Open A events)

Non-Sanctioned Event entry fee: \$50 for 1<sup>st</sup> event, \$30 for additional events. Maximum 2 events within same category.

Full payment must be made online through PayPal at the time of signing up on [www.tournamentsoftware.com](http://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 **Sep 13, 2024 11:59 PM EDT**.

<b>9. Key Dates</b>	<b>Sep 13, 2024</b>	Entry and Withdrawal Deadline
	<b>Sep 20, 2024</b>	Open B – MD and Open A MS events start at 5:00 pm
	<b>Sep 21, 2024</b>	Open A All events, B Women’s Doubles and Mixed Doubles events
	<b>Sep 22, 2024</b>	Open A All events, B Men’s Doubles

**10. Eligibility** Participation in the 2024 eCW YONEX Boston Open is open to any player. Players participating in the sanctioned Open events must be members of USA Badminton or of their national badminton association and in good standing and may be required to show proof of their current membership.

- 11. Entry & Deadline**
- Entries must be made online at [www.tournamentsoftware.com](http://www.tournamentsoftware.com) and full payment must be received through PayPal by Friday, Sep 13, 2024, 11:59 PM PDT.
  - **LATE ENTRIES and other forms of entry WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**
  - **Important: Do NOT** wait till the last minute. Sign up on [tournamentsoftware.com](http://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](http://www.tournamentsoftware.com).
- The player has paid all the entry fees by Friday, **Sep 13, 2024, 11:59 PM PDT** 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”.
- 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.

<b>Sep 13, 2024</b>	Entry <i>must</i> be made online at <a href="http://www.tournamentsoftware.com">www.tournamentsoftware.com</a> and paid via PayPal link as published on the event, by 11:59 PM PDT. <i>Late entries will not be accepted. Other forms of entry and payment will not be accepted.</i>
<b>Sep 13, 2024</b>	Withdrawals submitted by entry deadline <b>Sep 13, 2024 11:59 PM PDT</b> are eligible for refund (see section above). Note, processing fees by PayPal & \$5 administration fee are non-refundable.
<b>Sep 13, 2024</b>	Coaching credentials application must be applied for by this deadline. Click this link for more information: <a href="https://usabadminton.org/coaching/">https://usabadminton.org/coaching/</a>
<b>Sep 15, 2024</b>	Draws will be posted on or before this date on <a href="http://www.tournamentsoftware.com">www.tournamentsoftware.com</a>



**13.  
Withdraw  
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Refunds**

- For all withdrawals (Before or after the entry deadline), the following persons must be notified of the withdrawal by email:
  1. Tournament Directors:  
Nachiappan Chockalingam – Email: [nachiappan1312@gmail.com](mailto:nachiappan1312@gmail.com)  
Nishant Mehta – Email: [nmehta2002@gmail.com](mailto:nmehta2002@gmail.com)
  2. Tournament Referee: – Email:
  3. Deputy Referee: – Email:
- Players who withdraw before the entry deadline of August 25, 2024, 11:59 PM PDT will have their entry fees refunded, minus the \$5 Admin fee. After the entry deadline there will be no refunds for withdrawals.
- Refunds will be processed via PayPal; all PayPal processing fees are non-refundable.

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.
- The refund will be the responsibility of the Tournament Director.

**14. Regulations**

- The 2024 eCW YONEX BOSTON OPEN will follow USA Badminton and BWF Tournament Regulations.
- There is a 3-event maximum.
- **Players cannot register for Open A and B level category of the same event. Players can, however, register at the Open A in one type of event (e.g., Men's Singles) while registering at B-level for a different event (e.g., Men's Doubles or Mixed Doubles).**
- An event should have at least 4 entries to be conducted.
- We have the right to alter your events if we feel like you do not fit in the appropriate flights. Seedings and draws for non-sanctioned events (B Level) are done by the tournament director. Seedings and draws for Sanctioned Open A events will be handled by the Referee or USAB TOAG designee.
- Seeding will be done per BWF rankings and as needed, the last published USAB Adult Rankings, per the entry deadline date, even if the rankings are incomplete or contain errors.
- Non-sanctioned events (B Level) may be capped at the discretion of the tournament director. Entries would be accepted by time stamp. Doubles entries are considered complete when both players sign up.
- For all events including Open A events, Fixed Service Height Device will not be used. Alternative Service Laws will apply.
- The Tournament Committee and Referee reserves the right to change and/or add to the above regulations.

**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](http://www.tournamentsoftware.com). It is the responsibility of each player to find out the time of his/her first match.

DAY/DATE	TIME	PHASE
Friday, Sep 20, 2024	5:00PM – 11:00 PM	Open B Men’s Doubles and Open MS - A
Saturday, Sep 21, 2024	8:00 AM – 11:00 PM	All Events
Sunday, Sep 22, 2024	8:00 AM – 6:00 PM	All Events

**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.
- Consolation matches may be played for all non-sanctioned events with elimination draws if time permits. All consolation matches are 1 game to 21. There will be NO CONSOLATION for Open events.
- A player not ready to play 10 minutes after his/her match is called may be defaulted.
- On court warmups are restricted to 2 minutes.
- Acceptable badminton clothing must be worn by players and coaches during a match. Doubles partners are encouraged to wear matching colors.

**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 Sep 13, 2024 11:59 PM PDT to be considered timely.** A timely Coaching Pass application consists of:
  - BWF-1 online component course certificate of completion (sent to [CoachingPass@usabadminton.org](mailto: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 Sep 13, 2024 (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/221360192360143>
  - Passport-style photo uploaded to Club Locker for the Coaching Pass
- **Coaching Pass applications for this tournament submitted after the deadline (Sep 13, 2024) 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 2023-2024 season will not be allowed to coach at the event.

- 1 coach per side is allowed on court during a match
- Persons not sitting 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**

- Prize Money for Sanctioned

Open A Events

- Open A \$18,150

	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Semis (2)
Open A - MS	1500	750	300
Open A - WS	1500	750	300
Open A - MD <sup>^</sup>	2500	1250	600
Open A - WD <sup>^</sup>	2500	1250	600
Open A - XD <sup>^</sup>	2500	1250	600

<sup>^</sup>Per pair

- Open A - Consolation \$3,150

	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Open A - MS	300	150
Open A - WS	300	150
Open A - MD <sup>^</sup>	500	250
Open A - WD <sup>^</sup>	500	250
Open A - XD <sup>^</sup>	500	250

<sup>^</sup>Per pair

- B Division will receive Medals and Badminton gear as prizes

NOTE: Prize Money will be prorated if the number of entries for any event is less than the minimum (16 entries)

<p><b>19. Medical Insurance</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All players (whose USAB memberships are current) are covered by USAB insurance.</li> <li>• Neither the host, nor USAB is responsible for medical expenses incurred during the competition.</li> </ul>
<p><b>20. Covid-19 Basic Operational Safety Guidelines</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All persons experiencing physical symptoms possibly related to COVID-19, including coughing or fever, are prohibited from entering the competition venue.</li> <li>• No more than seven persons (other than officials) are permitted at any court in preparation for competition or actual competition play at any time.</li> <li>• Participants are required to observe and follow all routing instructions within the venue.</li> <li>• No food is allowed inside the competition venue.</li> <li>• If new COVID restrictions are imposed in the location of the venue, the restrictions will be followed.</li> <li>• In the event of event cancellation due to COVID-19 restrictions being extended or introduced, then a refund of entry fees will be made to the players.</li> </ul>
<p><b>21. Official Hotel</b></p>	<p><b>Hampton Inn.</b> 15 Connector Rd, Westborough, MA 01581 Ph: 508-329-5570</p> <p><i>Reservations (\$134/night) should be made by <b>Sep 18, 2024 with a minimum 2 nights stay.</b> two queen beds; complimentary breakfast.</i></p> <p><b>Booking Link:</b> <a href="https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/boswehx-90m-ca5d0eb5-f0be-4ae5-8a18-c0602400ed39/">https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/boswehx-90m-ca5d0eb5-f0be-4ae5-8a18-c0602400ed39/</a></p> <p><i>Group: Boston Open</i></p> <p><b>Transportation:</b> Shuttle to and from the hotel and the tournament venue will be provided for international participants (if needed)</p>



**22. USA  
Badminton  
Waiver &  
Release of  
Liability**

Please complete here or when registering on TournamentSoftware  
<https://form.jotform.com/91256509135154>  
 An additional waiver for parents/guardians of minor athletes will be sent out after the entry  
 deadline.

**23. Contacts**

Membership /Player Eligibility/ Ranking	USAB National Office	USAB Staff	<a href="mailto:ContactUs@usabadminton.org">ContactUs@usabadminton.org</a>
Technical Issues	Club Locker	USAB Staff	<a href="mailto:ContactUs@usabadminton.org">ContactUs@usabadminton.org</a>
	TournamentSoftware Registration	Nachi Chockalingam	<a href="mailto:nachiappan1312@gmail.com">nachiappan1312@gmail.com</a>
Facilities, hotel etc.	Tournament Director	Nachi Chockalingam	<a href="mailto:nachiappan1312@gmail.com">nachiappan1312@gmail.com</a>
Seeding, Draw, Schedule	Referee	Nishant Mehta	<a href="mailto:nmehta2002@gmail.com">nmehta2002@gmail.com</a>
		Catharine Lee	<a href="mailto:catharinelee@yahoo.com">catharinelee@yahoo.com</a>
Technical Officials	Technical Officials Advisory Group (TOAG)	Phil Ayoung-Chee	<a href="mailto:toag@usabadminton.org">toag@usabadminton.org</a>
Adult Tournaments	USAB National Office	USAB Staff	<a href="mailto:ContactUs@usabadminton.org">ContactUs@usabadminton.org</a>
Coaching Pass	USAB National Office	USAB Staff	<a href="mailto:CoachingPass@usabadminton.org">CoachingPass@usabadminton.org</a>

