



**1. Competition Date** 31 August – 2 September 2018

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**5. Venue** Next Level Sports Complex, 12821 Knott St, Garden Grove, CA 92841

**6. Events** **USATT National Ranking Tournament for Men & Women**  
Top 20 finishers per gender will get points for the USATT Annual Points Ranking.

**7. Eligibility** Only athletes eligible, according to the rules and regulations of the ITTF, to represent the USA at Continental and World title events will be eligible for the USATT National Ranking Tournament and TTTTeam USA. Only USATT members in good standing of USATT may participate.

**8. Prizes** 1<sup>st</sup> place \$1.500 2<sup>nd</sup> place \$1.000 3<sup>rd</sup> place \$750 4<sup>th</sup> place \$500

**9. Qualified Players** The Top 10 point winners from the combination of the previous two designated qualifying tournaments will be placed after the entry deadline in the main draw and four (4) places will be determined by qualifying rounds at the event. Up to two (2) additional places in the main draw may be determined by the HPD for players who either missed one of the prior qualifying events or had been excused due to illness or injury. Any remaining places (up to 2) will be given to point winners 11 and 12 from the prior qualifying tournaments. In the event that players who are eligible do not participate, the HPD will go further down the points list and in the event that players are tied in points and ranking, August ITTF World Ranking will first be used to break the tie followed by USATT rating as of September 14, 2018.

**10. Entry Fee** \$250 USD per player for the USATT National Ranking Tournament

**11. Format of play** The qualification will be played as Single elimination best of 5 games and four (4) players will advance. Sixteen (16) players of each gender will play in the main draw best of 7 games. For stage 1 players will be divided into two groups of eight (8) RR. For stage 2 the top four (4) players of each group will be combined into a group of eight (8) RR; and the bottom four (4) players from each group will be combined into a second group of eight (8) RR. The final top four (4) places will only be determined from the Championship group. For stage 2 the matches against the opponents from stage 1 will be carried over.

Players not advancing from the qualification may enter the following events of the LA Open after the qualification: is done: Open Singles, Women's Singles, 2350RR and/or 2500RR

**12. General Schedule** August 31 morning Qualification and afternoon starting main draw Top 16 (3 rounds)  
September 1 Top 16 (5 rounds)  
September 2 Top 16 (3 rounds)

**13. Seeding** Will be done on August 30, 2018 based first on most recent ITTF WR; second by the most current USATT rating.



#### 14. Draw

Will be held for the qualification on August 30, 2018 in the evening in the Next Level Sports Complex.  
Will be held for the Top 16 on August 31, 2018 after the qualification in the Next Level Sports Complex.

#### 15. Equipment

Tables: Joola 3000SC      Number: 8      Color: Blue  
Balls: Nittaku 40+ Premium 3\*

#### 16. Hospitality

There is no 'official' host hotel for the tournament. But there are many hotels located in the vicinity of the NLSC.

#### 17. Entries

Entries need to be done online no later than **August 15, 2018**.  
For entries and payments use the link to the 2<sup>nd</sup> USATT National Adult Ranking Tournament under:  
[www.omnipong.com/members.asp?ae=13917&h=1060](http://www.omnipong.com/members.asp?ae=13917&h=1060)

#### 18. Cancellations

There will be no cancellations accepted.

#### 19. Defaults:

By defaulting a match after the draw is done, for whatever reason, USATT has to assume that this athlete is no longer able to take part in the further event, means throughout the entire tournament. It will not be accepted that a match in the event is defaulted, but then the athlete starts again later in the same event at this tournament. The whole tournament will be finished at this point for this athlete.  
In case of defaulting, e.g. because of an injury or sickness athletes have to submit an official attestation of a doctor confirming that there is an injury or illness. Exceptions will be decided individually and are based on consulting with the High Performance Director before defaulting a match. If that is not possible, please consult with him as soon afterward as possible.

#### 20. Racket Controls:

If racket control includes official test for VOC, miniRAE devices will be used according to the ITTF decision, In this case, players will be invited to voluntarily tests their rackets before competition starts.  
The ITTF Equipment Committee strongly recommends all players to make certain that new coverings are aired 72 hours before use.

#### 21. Motion & picture:

By entering the event, players agree to abide by all USATT rules and by the rules and regulations of the Organizing Committee. All individual players agree under the auspices of USATT and its agents in all matters concerning television coverage to be video internet webcasting, motion picture and photographic coverage of any kind. Participants release all rights, or rights held by their agents or sponsors, in all matters relating to television and web casting coverage, video and motion picture coverage, and photographic coverage of any any kind. A participant's refusal of above listed coverage may be subject to suspension or dismissal from the competition.