

USA RACQUETBALL PRESENTS



2018

NATIONAL JUNIOR OLYMPIC CHAMPIONSHIPS

JUNE 20TH-24TH • DES MOINES, IA

WELLMARK YMCA & DES MOINES AREA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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***CATCH—
DES MOINES***

CHAMPIONSHIP INFORMATION

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USA Racquetball at 719-499-9561 or
Championships@usaracquetball.com

ENTRY FEES:

\$75- 1st division

\$45- 2nd division

\$45- 3rd division *(*Must be Doubles)*

FIRST TIME PLAYERS—FREE:

The first 25 First Time players *(those who haven't competed in the past three years)* may enter 1 division at no entry cost. First Time Free entrants must register online and use the

COUPON CODE: FIRSTTIMEFREE

DEADLINES, REFUNDS:

Online Entry Deadline

Friday- June 8th, 2018- 9:00pm MT

-postmarked by June 6th

Late Deadline (\$20 fee)

Friday- June 15th, 2018- 9:00pm MT

USA Racquetball reserves the right to close entries of any division as of regular deadline. Refunds *(less a \$10.00 service fee)* are available prior to June 8th, 4pm MT. Additional fees may include \$25 for returned checks and \$10.00 for declined debit/credit cards. Refunds processed 7 days after event is completed.

STARTING TIMES:

Monday-June 18th @ 4:00 pm

online at usaracquetball.com.

CHECK-IN BEGINS:

Tuesday- June 19th: 4pm-7pm

*****Check-in at the DT YMCA only!**

PLAY BEGINS:

Wednesday- June 20th @10am

PLAY ENDS:

Sunday - June 24th - @4pm

VENUES:

Downtown YMCA (DTY)



501 Grand Ave
Des Moines, IA 50309
(515) 282-9622
8 courts

Des Moines Area Community College (DMACC)



1100 7th St
Des Moines, IA 50314
(800) 362-2127
3 courts

GROUND TRANSPORTATION:

Airport pick-up arranged through host hotel shuttle service. Find the airport lodging phone and contact the host hotel for pick-up when you arrive.

Shuttle Service will be provided to the secondary club beginning Wednesday afternoon until Friday evening.

LODGING:

Des Moines Marriott Hotel



700 Grand Ave
Des Moines, IA 50309
(515) 245-5500

\$129 per night (single or double)

ROOM BLOCK ENDS: (only 100 rooms!)

Monday- May 21st, 2018 @ 5pm



AWARDS BANQUET:

Saturday evening awards ceremony will be at the Host Hotel. Entry fee includes player's ticket. Additional tickets are available on the registration website.

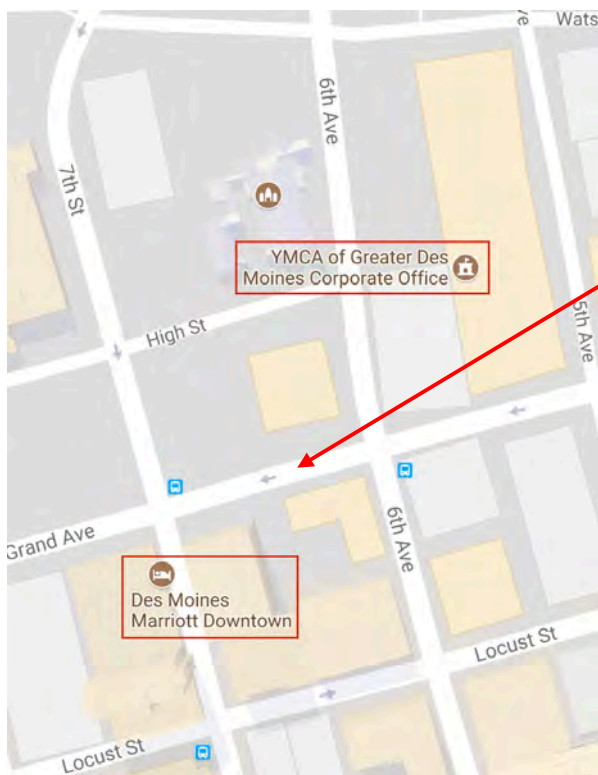


****NEW STAY & PLAY POLICY!!

Stay & Play means that in-order to compete in the tournament, you must be staying in one of the official hotels set up by USA Racquetball or pay a \$50 hotel waiver fee.

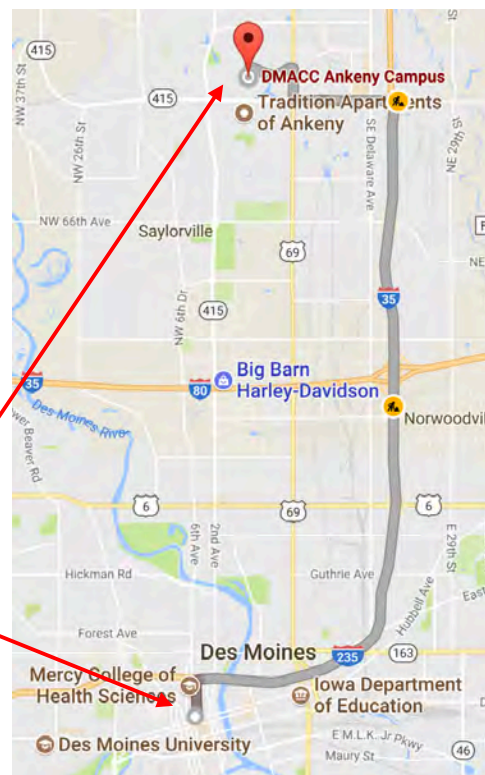
Exemption: If live within or staying with someone no more than 75 miles away from the venue (with proof provided), using points or a Military discount you are not required to stay at host hotels.

Register Online
usaracquetball.com



1.5 Blocks from host hotel to main club

15 min shuttle ride from YMCA to DMACC



TEAM USA:



Finalists in the Boys & Girls 14, 16 & 18 singles divisions as well as the winners of these doubles divisions will qualify for a one-year appointment to the U.S. Junior National Team and attend the Junior National Team Training Camp! The Esprit National Team for younger participants will also be identified.

ALL-AMERICAN ATHLETES:

Semi-Finalist in the Championship Singles and Finalists in the Championship Doubles will receive commemorative certificates.

USA RACQUETBALL MEMBERSHIP

All participants must be a current USA Racquetball member. Pee-Wee Membership for 8 & under is Free.

USA RACQUETBALL RULES:

USA Racquetball Official Rules will govern competition, including the mandatory use of protective eyewear.

CHAMPIONSHIP MEDALS:

All Divisions will receive 1st-4th place National Championship medals.



FUN, FUN and MORE FUN:

Junior racquetball is great fun! National Junior Olympics is a perfect chance to get away with your family and enjoy the exuberant atmosphere of watching our young players bloom. Enjoy the camaraderie and lifelong sporting friendships.

HOSPITALITY & SOUVENIR:

With special thanks to Iowa State Racquetball Organization, hospitality will be offered each day with Lunch and Dinner. A tournament souvenir will be given to all participants at registration.

FRIDAY NIGHT SOCIAL:

We have arranged for a player and family social Friday, June 22nd @7pm.

WHAT TO DO IN DES MOINES:

There is no shortage of things to do in Des Moines. Pick from the FREE [Arts Festival](#) just blocks from your hotel, stroll over to one of the nation's best [Farmers Markets](#) or head over to [Adventureland Park](#) for some family entertainment, Catch Des Moines has it all! www.catchdesmoines.com

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ADDITIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP INFORMATION

ELIGIBILITY:

Players must meet the age requirement as of January 1, 2018. Only U.S. citizens are eligible to participate.

If you sign up for Challenger Divisions you may not sign up for Championship divisions and visa-versa EXCEPT Mixed Doubles.

FORMAT:

Olympic Format with 4 flights in each age group, Gold, Blue, Red & White, thus ensuring that a player typically has a minimum of 3 matches per division and eventually plays against similarly skilled players during the event.

IRF RECOGNIZED DIVISIONS: **(U.S. Junior Team eligible)**

Boys & Girls Singles:
18, 16, 14, 12 & 10

Boys & Girls Doubles:
18, 16, 14, 12 & 10

Doubles and Challenger Divisions will be determined by the number of players and teams in each division and available space. Most will likely be round robin or pool play, though there may be need for single elimination.

Championship Mixed Doubles **(Not U.S. Junior Team Eligible)** 18, 16, 14, 12 & 10

Challenger Divisions: **(not U.S. Junior Team eligible)**

Boys & Girls Singles:
10 & under double-bounce
8 & under single bounce
8 & under multi-bounce
6 & under multi-bounce

Boys & Girls Doubles:
10 & under
8 & under

Looking for a Partner?

Check out the lists available at the "find a partner/ roommate" link on the Registration page

OFFICIATING:



Match losers are expected to referee a match immediately following a loss. Both players from a losing doubles team should report to the Championship Desk to see if both may be needed to referee.

REFEREE TESTING:

All players **14 years of age or older** are required to take the online A2 Junior Referee Test prior to the event. **The test is FREE! Go to:**
www.teamusa.org/USA-Racquetball
Membership profile>>courses and testing>>my courses and tests

PARENTS & COACHES RULES:

All parents and coaches must remain in far corners of the viewing area on the court. No speaking directly to the referee and all issues or complaints must be brought to the tournament desk immediately.



OFFICIAL BALL:



Penn is the Official Ball of USA Racquetball and the ProPenn Green ball will be used in all matches.

MIXED DOUBLES RULES:

-Each receiving team member must clearly take a position on opposite sides of the back court within 10 seconds of the score being called. Failure to do so is delay of game.

-The boy must serve to the boy and the girl must serve to the girl. Any serve that is judged by the referee to be served to the incorrect player is a fault serve (same as a short serve).

-Definition of legal serve: The serve must bounce in the middle or in the correct side of the court, and must remain either in the middle or in the correct side of the court for the second bounce if it were to occur.

-Only the boy may return the boy's serve; only the girl may return the girl's serve. Returning serve out of turn is considered an encroachment and results in a point for the serving team.

SEEDING AVAILABLE:

Online at the event site,
Monday- June 18th @ 4pm

SEEDING DISPUTE:

Send email to:
Championships@usaracquetball.com
by Tuesday- June 19th @ 12pm

DRAWS AVAILABLE:

Online at the event site
Monday- June 18th @ 4pm

TIME CONFLICT RESOLUTION:

Send email to:
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with name/divisions
by Tuesday- June 19th @ 4pm

Register Online
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Enter online at: USARacquetball.com

USA Racquetball Membership:

All players must first be USA Racquetball members before signing up for a National Event. Only U.S. citizens and residents are eligible to participate in Nationals. Go to USARacquetball.com > Membership > Join USAR and follow the steps to join.

	1 Year
Collegiate Membership*	\$25
Junior Membership (8-18)	\$25
Pee-Wee (under 8)	FREE

*An undergraduate student enrolled "full-time" in an accredited U.S. college or university. Graduate students engaged in coursework, research, teaching or thesis production are eligible, they are enrolled full-time and have not used their four years of college eligibility.

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Additional Items for Purchase:

\$25- Saturday Night Banquet Tickets
\$10- Additional Meal Tickets
\$15- Tournament Shirt

Format:

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Round Robin: Each player will play against the others in their division and the players with the best records will place 1st-4th

Play Begins:

Be prepared to start play at 8am on Wednesday morning.

Junior Team Qualifier Singles Divisions: Olympic Format or Round Robin

Players may only play their age group or younger. Age divisions are based on the players age as of January 1, 2018.

Boy's:	Girl's:
18 & Under	18 & Under
16 & Under	16 & Under
14 & Under	14 & Under
12 & Under	12 & Under
10 & Under	10 & Under

Junior Team Qualifier Doubles Divisions: Olympic Format or Round Robin

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Boy's:	Girl's:	Mixed: (non-team)
18 & Under	18 & Under	18 & Under
16 & Under	16 & Under	16 & Under
14 & Under	14 & Under	14 & Under
12 & Under	12 & Under	12 & Under
10 & Under	10 & Under	10 & Under

Challenger Singles Divisions: Olympic Format or Round Robin

Players may only play their age group or younger. Age divisions are based on the players age as of January 1, 2018.

Boy's:	Girl's:
10 & Under 2 Bounce	10 & Under 2 Bounce
8 & Under	8 & Under
8 & Under Multi Bounce	8 & Under Multi Bounce
6 & Under Multi Bounce	6 & Under Multi Bounce

Challenger Doubles Divisions: Olympic Format or Round Robin

Players may only play their age group or younger. Age divisions are based on the players age as of January 1, 2018.

Boy's:	Girl's:
10 & Under	10 & Under
8 & Under	8 & Under

Junior Code of Conduct:

All participants and chaperones will be asked to sign an official Code of Conduct upon registering for the tournament. In brief, the Code of Conduct states: 1. A nightly "in room" curfew of 11 p.m., unless accompanied by chaperone; 2. There will be no possession or use of alcoholic beverages at the tournament sites or host hotel; 3. Any physical damage to a room or loss of non-perishable items in the room (i.e., towels, lamps, etc.) will be paid for by those participants assigned to the room in which the damage or loss occurs; 4. Unacceptable behavior will not be tolerated, for example — a) Any act considered to be an offense under federal, state, local laws and USA Racquetball rules. b) Gross misconduct (i.e. inappropriate horseplay, stealing, etc.) c) Unsportsmanlike conduct.

PENALTIES — Violation of the Code of Conduct may result in: 1. Full or partial restriction of movement at the tournament; 2. Written report to the Executive and Disciplinary Committees for further action; 3. Loss of opportunity to participate in future USA Racquetball programs; 4. Expulsion from tournament.