



2013 National Team Trials

PROSPECTUS

Dates: February 7-10, 2013
Qualification stage- February 7, 2013. If there are too many entries, the qualifications may start on February 6, afternoon.
Trials- February 8-10, 2013

Location: San Jose, CA, USA

Venue: Top Spin Club, 1150 Campbell Avenue, San Jose, CA 95126, Phone: 408-970- 5078

Official Hotel: Holiday Inn, 1350 North 1st St, San Jose, California 95112,
Phone: 408-453-6200
Room rate: \$79/night in single or double room. The reservation code to be provided.

Shuttle bus: Free transportation will be provided from the official hotel to the playing site for the Top 12 Men and Women.

Organizer: USA Table Tennis in cooperation with Top Spin Club

Tournament Director: Yau-Man Chan

Referee: Azmy Ibrahim

Racket Control: Ray Cavicchio

Tournament Managers: Tung Huynh- email: tunghuynh_2000@yahoo.com
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Events:

- Men's Singles
- Women's Singles

2013 National Men and Women's Team Selection Procedure:

USATT will select the 2013 National Team and World Table Tennis Championships Team as follows:

- US eligible athletes listed among the top 30 in the January, 2013 ITTF World Men and Women Ranking list will be directly qualified to the Men or Women National/Worlds Teams
- Top finishers at the 2013 National team Trials and eligible to represent USA at the Worlds.

- The size of the Worlds team will be 5 (five) athletes/gender. USATT will fully fund 3 athletes/gender qualified through the above mentioned criteria/order.
- the 4th and 5th athlete/gender will be self-funded.
- the 5th athlete/gender will be coach's pick.

All selected players must sign the code of conduct before being nominated as National Team members.

Note: The Team representing USA at the 2013 World Team Cup will be composed of the players who represented USA and played the playoff match against Canada at the 2012 NA Championships, Cary, USA. If there is a slot left, that slot will be filled by the athlete highest finisher at the 2013 Team Trials.

Qualification for the 2013 National Team Trials:

The top ten (10) USATT ranked male and top ten (10) USATT ranked female athletes based on January 11th, 2013 USATT ratings, entered in the Trials will be directly qualified to the National Team Trials.

If there is a tie for 10th place, the rating as of December 11th 2012 will be considered to break the tie. If there is still a tie the rating as of November 11th, 2012 will be used to break the tie.

The remaining two (2) spots per gender at the 2013 National Team Trials will be reserved for two male and two female athletes who place first and second at the Qualifying Tournament.

If there are 12 or less entries per gender, there will be no Qualifying Tournament for that gender.

The list of the players for the Qualifying Tournament and the list of the players directly qualified to the 2013 National team Trials will be posted on the USATT web site no later than January 17th, 2013.

Playing format:

Qualifying Tournament- TBD based on the final number of entries.

- All matches will be played best of seven (7) games.

National Team Trials- All matches will be played best of seven (7) games.

- Giant Round Robin of 12 players.

In the event any player is unable to finish all matches in the RR stage, all of his or her matches shall be vacated and not taken into account for final results, and the individual deemed disqualified from the event. However the match results shall count for ratings. In the event of such withdrawal, the player must submit within seven (7) days from the close of competition, a written notice from a certified medical doctor stating the nature of illness or injury that prevented the player from completing the event. In the event the withdrawal from event was without justified basis such as illness or injury, or the athlete fails to provide the High Performance Director with a doctor's note stating so, then that athlete shall become ineligible from the 2014 USA National Team without any further notice.

Draw

- The draw for Qualifying Tournament will be conducted on February 6, 2013 at 4:00 PM at the Top Spin Club.
- The draw for the Trials will be conducted on February 7, 2013 as soon as the qualification stage is concluded, but not earlier than 5:00PM, at the Top Spin Club.
- For seeding and draw purpose, the most recent USATT ratings posted on the website will be used.

Entry fee- \$200/athlete

General Information

Entries will *only* be accepted if they include the following:

- Player's name, address, telephone number, club affiliation, entry fee, signed waiver and proof of citizenship.

The tournament will be conducted in accordance with ITTF Rules and Regulations.

Players are required to have two distinctly different color shirts that are different from the color of the ball and two legal rackets at the court of play.

All participating athletes and one coach will receive credentials to enter the venue. Tickets for the rest of the spectators will be sold by the Top Spin Club. The cost for tickets is \$15/day or \$30 for the entire event.

For more information on purchasing tickets please contact Top Spin Club at: 408-970-5078 or by email at: info@thetopspin.com

Entry Deadline

- Entries must be received at the USATT office no later than January 15th, 2013.

Mail entry form, proof of citizenship, entry fee and signed waiver to:

USATT, 4065 Sinton Rd Ste 120, Colorado Springs, CO 80907, or email it to Doru@usatt.org

Equipment

- Tables - Butterfly
- Balls - Nittaku 3 Stars Orange
- Floor - floor mats

Eligibility:

- Competitors must be citizens of the United States and eligible to represent USA at the World Championships under the ITTF rules.

For details on eligibility for World TTC please visit ITTF webpage at:

http://www.ittf.com/ittf_handbook/ittf_hb.html Chapter 4.01.03.03

- Competitors must be USATT active members.

Tentative schedule:

- **February 6, 2013-**
3:00PM- 7:00 PM- Open for Practice-
4:00PM- Draw for Qualifying Tournament
- **February 7, 2013-**
9:00 AM – Qualifying tournament.
5:00PM- Draw for Trials
- **February 8, 2013**
 - 10:00 AM - Women's singles 1st round
 - 10:45 AM - Men's singles 1st round
 - 11:30 AM - Women's singles 2nd round
 - 12:15 PM - Men's singles 2nd round
 - 4:00 PM - Women's singles 3rd round
 - 4:45 PM - Men's singles 3rd round
 - 5:30 PM - Women's singles 4th round
 - 6:15 PM - Men's singles 4th round
- **February 9, 2013**
 - 10:00 AM - Women's singles 5th round
 - 10:45 AM - Men's singles 5th round

- 11:30 AM - Women's singles 6th round
- 12:15 PM - Men's singles 6th round
- 4:00 PM - Women's singles 7th round
- 4:45 PM- Men's singles 7th round
- 5:30 PM- Women's singles 8th round
- 6:15 PM- Men's singles 8th round

- ***February 10, 2013***
- 10:00 AM - Women's singles 9th round
- 10:45AM- Men's singles 9th round
- 11:30 AM - Women's singles 10th round
- 12:15 PM - Men's singles 10th round
- 1:00 PM - Women's singles 11th round
- 1:45 PM - Men's singles 11th round

Racket Testing

Any match may be selected for pre-match racket testing. A player whose racket fails racket tests may bring a backup racket to be tested. If the backup racket fails, the player may play with a third racket, to be tested after the match. A player who fails a post-match racket test will be disqualified from the Trials. A player who fails a 3 total racket test will be disqualified from The Trials.