1. National Organization
USA Badminton
2099 S. State College Blvd., Suite 600
Anaheim, CA 92806, USA
Phone: 714-765-2952
www.usabadminton.org

2. Presented by
• Harbour Pointe Badminton Club

3. Date
March 10-11, 2018

4. Venue
Harbour Pointe Badminton Club
Address: 3616 S Rd. Bldg D
Mukilteo, WA 98275
Ph: 4255622950
Website: www.harbourpointebc.com
Airport: Seattle-Tacoma International Airport

5. Events
• Categories: Boy’s Singles, Girl’s Singles, Boy’s Doubles, Girl’s Doubles and Mixed Doubles.
• Age Divisions: UNDER-11, UNDER-13, UNDER-15, UNDER-17, AND UNDER-19.
• To qualify for an age division, the player’s age must be under the age limit as of 12/31/2018.
  o UNDER-19 (born year 2000, 2001 and later)
  o UNDER-17 (born year 2002, 2003 and later)
  o UNDER-15 (born year 2004, 2005 and later)
  o UNDER-13 (born year 2006, 2007 and later)
  o UNDER-11 (born year 2008, 2009 and later)
• Consolation
  • Consolation for players who lose their first match will be run where court hours permit it
  • Consolation matches if played may be limited to one 21 or 31 point game. The actual Consolation format will be determined by the Referee.
  • Events that only have 1 or 2 players/pairs will be combined with the next age group up where possible or otherwise canceled.
  • Parents are advised that all young players must be mature enough to handle competition without assistance. Laws of Badminton and USAB Tournament Regulations will be enforced throughout. Players who are under 9 years of age on Dec 31, 2018 may only play in the Under 11 events.
  • Players may enter a maximum of 3 events consisting of 1 Singles event, 1 Doubles event, and 1 Mixed Doubles event. For all tournaments, the 3 events entered may only span 2 age groups e.g., U13 GS – U15 GD – U15 MX is acceptable, but U13 GS – U15 GD – U17 MX is not acceptable. However, points accrued playing in an older age group cannot be applied in the younger age group where the player competes.

6. Caps
In the circumstance that more entries are received than can be accommodated in the available court hours, events may be capped. The event Caps and seedings will be based on junior rankings as of Feb 22, 2018 even if the rankings are incomplete or contain errors. Players on the reserve list will be informed by Feb 27, 2018.

7. Tournament Director
• Tournament Director: Nick Jinadasa - Email: nick@bellevuebadminton.com
• Deputy Tournament Director: May Mangkalakiri - Email: may@bellevuebadminton.com

8. Referee
Referee: Sam Saour - Email: ssaour@eosllp.com
Deputy Referee: Chris Lawrence - Email: CCclawrence@aol.com

9. Entry Fees and Refund

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Full payment must be made online at https://usab.simplycompete.com at the time of signing up.

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 all of them will be canceled and the player will not be permitted to play in the tournament.
10. Multiple Tournament Sign Up

- Parents and coaches should note that there may be multiple tournaments held during the same timeframe (overlapping days).
- Players are prohibited from registering in multiple tournaments any part of which have overlapping days. This means players can only register in ONE tournament if two or more tournaments will occur on overlapping days.
- Players who sign up for multiple tournaments with overlapping days will be disqualified from ALL the tournaments that they have signed up for. Their entry fees will NOT be refunded.
- Neither USAB, Simply Compete, nor the host will be responsible if players are disqualified because of signing up for multiple tournaments having overlapping days.

11. Key Dates

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<td>Entry must be made on line at <a href="https://usab.simplycompete.com">https://usab.simplycompete.com</a> by 11:59 PM PST. LATE ENTRIES, any other forms of entry and payment WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.</td>
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<td>Players on the reserve list will be informed by this date</td>
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<td>Draws posted by this date on <a href="http://www.tournamentsoftware.com">www.tournamentsoftware.com</a></td>
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12. Eligibility

- Participation in the 2018 NW OLC is open to any current member of USA Badminton in good standing, who meets the age criteria and eligibility criteria below. Non-members must join USA Badminton prior to entering online.
- The Simply Compete online system will not accept an entry from a player whose USAB membership expires prior to the last day of the tournament and/or is not in good standing with USAB.
- Contact JTC if guidance is needed on player eligibility especially players with foreign passports.

**Who Can Compete**

1. U.S. citizens living in the U.S. and outside the U.S
2. Non-U.S. Citizens
   a) U.S. Permanent Residents (Green Card holders) living in the U.S.
   b) Non-U.S. Permanent Residents with long term U.S. visas (living and/or studying in U.S.)

**Qualification Criteria**

1. U.S. Citizens
   U.S. citizens who are living in the U.S. and not living in the U.S. can compete in USAB Sanctioned Junior Tournaments if they:
   a) are USAB members in good standing
   b) upload a copy of their current U.S. passport to Simply Compete (if no passport is available, they must upload a copy of their birth certificate
   c) upload their current passport sized head and shoulder photo (no other photos are accepted) to Simply Compete
2. **Non-U.S. Citizens**
A non-U.S. Citizen who is living in the U.S. may compete in USAB Sanctioned Junior Tournaments if he/she:

a) is a U.S. Permanent Resident (Green Card holder) in good standing   OR
b) has a long term U.S. visa (more than 1 year) which enables him/her to live and study in the U.S.

c) is a USAB member in good standing

2.2. **Status Verification**
Non-U.S. Citizens who are living in the U.S. are responsible for the following:

a) uploading to Simply Compete a copy of their current U.S. Permanent Resident Card (Green Card) and/or long-term U.S. visa (more than 1 year) to show that they are legally residing in the U.S.

b) uploading to Simply Compete a current passport sized head and shoulder photo (no other photos are accepted)

2.3. **Note for first time non-U.S. citizen participants**

a) The documents cited above MUST be uploaded a minimum of 3 weeks before a tournament commences in order for the documents to be verified and approved so that they can then proceed to sign up for a tournament.

b) Only approved non-citizens can sign up for a USAB Sanctioned Junior Tournaments

c) If the uploaded visa and/or permanent residency has expired or has not been updated, USAB reserves the right to not allow the non-U.S. citizen to participate in the tournament. Therefore, it is the responsibility of the non-citizen player’s parents to ensure that the documents uploaded to Simply Compete are up to date.

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**Note On F Status**

- When immigration and/or government documents (in PDF or JPEG) such as passport copy, US birth certificate copy, US Permanent Resident (Greencard) copy or long term US visa are uploaded for the first time on your child/children’s USAB Account managed by Simply Compete, you will receive a notification from Simply Compete that the F-Status needs to be verified.

- This means, the USAB National Office and/or its delegates may be contacted to verify your child/children’s immigration and/or government documents.

- Once you receive confirmation from the National Office that the F Status has been verified, you must logout and login into your child/children’s account to sign up for tournaments.

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3. **Other criteria**

- All players competing in USAB Sanctioned Junior Tournaments are responsible to notify each of the USAB National Office – Mohan Subramaniam at mohansubra.usab@gmail.com, the Junior Tournament Coordinator - Mona Sheung at msheung@yahoo.com, and the Tournament Director of the event if they have represented a foreign country/countries. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the player being disqualified from USAB Sanctioned Tournaments.

- Players may also be disqualified under the following circumstances:
  
a) **U.S. citizens**

  U.S. citizens who are currently competing under the jurisdiction of another country but who have qualified to represent USAB may be removed from the USA team after they have qualified if:

  1. there is insufficient time to change their jurisdiction back to USA as it involves the BWF and their current country’s approval.

  2. they are not in good standing with the country they are competing under

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- they are not in good standing with BWF (which may include issues related to misconduct, anti-doping, etc.).

b) Non-US citizens

Non-U.S. citizens including U.S. Permanent Residents and Non-Permanent U.S. Residents living and studying in the U.S. with long term visas who have competed under the flag of another country may be disqualified from competing in the USAB Sanctioned Junior Tournaments if:
- they are not in good standing with the country they are competing under
- they are not in good standing with BWF (which may include issues related to misconduct, anti-doping, etc.).

- U.S. citizens and non-citizens who are not in good standing with USAB, BWF, or the country they are representing will not be allowed to compete in USAB Junior Sanctioned Tournaments until their status changes.
- Entry fees for any tournaments they have signed up for will not be refunded.

13. Entry & Deadline

- Entries must be made online at https://usab.simplycompete.com/ by Thursday February 22, 2018 11:59 PM PST
- LATE ENTRIES and other forms of entry WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
- If you are not a USAB member, you must create an account on https://usab.simplycompete.com/

Reminder Notes For Signing Up on Simply Compete:

- 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 and required Tournament Documents (copy of passport or birth certificate) sign up for the event and/or events.
- If you are confirming for doubles or mixed doubles, your partner must have created an account first, before he/she can be selected as a partner. Once the partner is selected, the partner will receive an invitation at his/her email. The partner must accept the invitation and then pay the entry fees before the partnership is confirmed.
- For the best site experience, Simply Compete recommends using the latest version of these supported internet browsers — Chrome, Firefox, Safari. Using older browser versions may prevent you from using certain features of Simply Compete that are essential for this event’s registration. Instead, always use the latest version of your browser since old browsers are more vulnerable to security threats like viruses and malware. Using the latest browsers provide you with better encryption and privacy support by default.

Here are the steps you need to take you need to follow on https://usab.simplycompete.com/:
- If have an account on Simply Compete, Login with your email and Password that you have set up to “Sign Up.”
- If you are new, Click on the "Athlete Sign Up" button at the top left and create an account with a valid email address.
- You will receive an email confirmation, please confirm your email address by clicking on the link you receive in the email.
- Login using the email address and password.
- Upon login, upload documents (passport/birth certificate/permanent resident card/long term visa etc.) and passport photo.
- At the Athlete Dashboard, please go to "Manage Tournament Entries".
- Click on "Sign Up"
- Select the events you would like to participate in.
- Provide your credit card information, click on "Pay and Sign up"
- You should receive an email with a receipt. Please verify that everything looks correct, and you are done!
- If you have any ideas/suggestions on how we might improve usab.simplycompete.com feel free to send them to info@simplycompete.com.
• Should you have a technical problem, contact: Simply Compete Team at info@simplycompete.com or click on the “Report A Problem” link at the bottom right hand corner of the Simply Compete homepage to provide feedback on issues. We will be in touch with you as soon as possible to assist you. We recommend if you include your cell number when reporting feedback or comments so the Simply Compete Team can assist you efficiently.

• **Important:**
  Do **NOT** wait till the last minute. Sign up for NW OLC through Simply Compete as soon as possible so that if technical issues come up, there will be enough time to address them.

• **Duplicate Accounts**
  - If you forgot your user ID (email) or password, do not create a new account. This may affect your ranking.
  - If you forgot your user ID (email) click on the “forgot username” on Simply Compete.
  - If you forgot your password, you can click on “forgot password” on Simply Compete.

• **Valid entry**
  When signing up on [https://usab.simplycompete.com/](https://usab.simplycompete.com/), you will receive email receipts based on the number of transactions/changes you make. The final receipt will show: your USAB details, events requested, partner details, number of events and payment information. The final email receipt will be the conclusive proof of your entry.

**14. Withdrawals / Cancellations**

**On Time Withdrawals (Withdrawal by entry deadline)**
• Players who withdraw on [usab.simplycompete.com](https://usab.simplycompete.com) by the entry deadline (Thursday February 22, 2018 11:59 PM PST ) will have their entry fees refunded with the exception of the tournament processing fee that is included in the totals given in Section 9. The following persons must be notified of the withdrawal by email:
  - Tournament Director: Nick Jinadasa - Email: nick@bellevuebadminton.com
  - Referee: Sam Saour - Email: ssaour@eosllp.com

**Late Withdrawals (Withdrawal after entry deadline)**
• For withdrawals made after the entry deadline (Thursday February 22, 2018 11:59 PM PST) due to whatever reason, the entry fees and tournament processing fee will not be refunded.
• The withdrawing player’s parents must email:
  - Tournament Director: Nick Jinadasa - Email: nick@bellevuebadminton.com
  - Referee: Sam Saour - Email: ssaour@eosllp.com

**Event or Tournament Cancellation**
• If an individual event(s) e.g., U15 BS 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 the organizers e.g., bad weather, lack of overall entries, then the base entry fee will be refunded as per section 14.
• The refund will be the responsibility of the Tournament Director and/or the host

**15. Draw & Seeding**
Seeding will be done per the Junior Rankings as of Thursday February 22, 2018 even if the rankings are incomplete or contain errors. The draw will be conducted by the Referee or by his/her designee.
16. Schedule

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All players in all events must be available for all of the tournament hours. Plan your flights accordingly!

17. 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.
- Entry fees will not be eligible for refund if the withdrawal occurs after February 22, 2018 11:59 PM PST and is not accompanied by a medical certificate.
- The Tournament Processing Fee is non-refundable.
- The tournament organizers in consultation with the JAG, COAG, and USAB reserve the right to change any of the above conditions.

18. Shuttlecocks
- Yonex is the official shuttlecock for the 2018 NW OLC.

19. Coaching Pass (Credentials)
- Coaching Credentials will be referred to as “Coaching Pass” hereafter in this document.
- USA Badminton continues in its efforts to bring coaching standards up to those in other parts of the badminton world and to also meet the USOC demands for sports to upgrade their coaching system and structure. Beginning in 2013, coaches were required to have a coaching pass at all USAB sanctioned junior events such as the U.S. Junior National Badminton Championships, Super Regionals, and Junior International Trials (JIT). In the long run as per other major sports in the U.S., USAB will also require a coach to have an “appropriate level of certification.” This process has been introduced in stages.
- The junior coaching pass is a “license” for USAB members in good standing who meet defined requirements to coach at USB sanctioned junior ranking tournaments.
- Coaching Pass Information - Click this link for USAB Junior Coaching Pass Information for 2017-2018 Junior Tournaments.

COACHING CATEGORIES
- The Parent, Personal and Junior Credential will NO longer be accepted effective from the 2017 Junior Nationals (July, 2017).
- Coaches who wish to coach at junior ranking tournaments or at JIT from July 2017 onwards must at a minimum be a USAB Level 1 Certified Sport Performance (SP1). This requirement was initially published in July 2016.
- If you are a USAB certified coach in either the Sport Performance Track or the High Performance Track, you will be classified as a Certified Coach.
MANDATORY CONDITIONS

- Coaches with a Coach Pass wishing to coach at junior ranking tournaments from July 2017 onwards MUST visibly wear the approved USAB Coaching Pass. Failure to do so will result in the coach not being allowed to sit on the coach’s chair.
- No one is allowed to coach if he/she does NOT have a Coaching Pass.
- Coaches will NOT be allowed to coach if his/her USAB Membership is NOT current.
- Coaches will NOT be allowed to coach if his/her BACKGROUND CHECK is NOT current. However, the coach may renew and show the NCSI e-receipt.
- Temporary Coach Passes will NOT be issued.

APPLICATION BLOCKS

On Time Pass Application Block 3: November 1, 15, 2017 (11:59 pm PST)
To obtain a coach pass, you have to pay the pass application fee of $30 during application through your coach dashboard.

Late Pass Application Block 4: November 16, 2017 - April 30, 2018 (11:59 pm PST)
After November 15th, 11:59 pm pacific time (until April 30, 2018), there will be a late fee if one wishes to own a coaching pass before new season enrollment from June 2018. Please submit a completed USAB’s credit card authorization form for the late application penalty of $50 by email to Ryan Berry (at ryan.berry@usabadminton.org). The processing time for the coaching pass may take as long as 2-3 weeks.

- Click here for the credit card authorization form
- Coaching Pass applications not made during these Application Blocks will not be processed.
- Only applications that meet the published criteria will be processed.

Coaching Pass Contacts
- Mohan Subramaniam – mohansubra.usab@gmail.com
- Carl Khor – carlkhor@gmail.com

20. Awards
Medals will be awarded to finalists and semi-finalists in main-draws, and to all Consolation winners if consolation is played.

21. 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.

22. Official Hotel
N/A

23. Contacts

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24. Indemnity: USA Badminton Waiver & Release of Liability

Note: This section must be read and acknowledged at the time of registering for the 2018 NW OLC. By submitting the online entry for the 2018 NW OLC, the participant (and parent(s)/guardian(s) if participant is of minority age) affirms having read this document and agrees to be bound by its terms.

• In consideration of my involvement at the 2018 NW OLC under the auspices of USA Badminton and Harbour Pointe Badminton Club, I acknowledge, appreciate, and agree that

1. I risk bodily injury, including paralysis, dismemberment, disability, and death, and while particular rules of the sport, equipment, and discipline may reduce this risk, this risk of injury does exist, as well as the risk of damage to or loss of property. I knowingly and freely assume all such risk; both known and unknown, even if arising from the negligence of the releases of others;

2. I willingly agree to comply with the state and customary terms and conditions for participation. If; however, I observe any unusual or unnecessary hazard during my presence or participation or if I observe any concern in my readiness for participation, I will immediately bring such to the attention of the nearest official and refrain from participation; and for myself, and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, hereby release, hold harmless and promise not to sue USA Badminton, the Harbour Pointe Badminton Club organizing committee, their sponsors, their officers, volunteers, staff, sponsors and/or agents, (“releasees”) with respect to any and all injury and loss arising from my participation, whether caused by the negligence of the releasees, the condition of the premises or otherwise, except that which is the result of gross negligence or wanton misconduct, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

3. I agree to be bound by the rules and regulations of the BWF and those of USA Badminton and I hereby stipulate that I am eligible to play in the events for which I am applying and that I understand that the above mentioned make no representation or warranty with respect to the condition of the premises or the operation of the event.

4. I hereby grant to USA Badminton, its licensees and contractees including photographers, television and motion picture rights including to film or videotape me during matches, narratives, personal interviews, or comment thereon for any and all commercial, news or other purposes together with the right to transfer or grant their rights to others, all without remuneration or compensation to me whatsoever.

FOR PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE

By allowing participation in the 2018 NW OLC, I/We as parent(s)/guardian(s) with legal responsibility of the participant agreeing to abide by this Agreement, do consent and agree not only to his/her release, but also for myself/ourselves, and my/ours heirs, assigns and next of kin to release and indemnity the Releasees from any and all liability incident to my/our child’s involvement as stated above, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES, to the fullest extent permitted by law.