

2015 EMIRATES AIRLINE US OPEN SERIES BONUS CHALLENGE

The following provides a summary of the 2015 Emirates Airline US Open Series Bonus Challenge.

1. **Bonus Prize Money:** The Emirates Airline US Open Series Bonus Challenge links the performance of the top three men's and top three women's finishers at Series events to their performance at the US Open. In 2015, the Emirates Airline US Open Series Men's and Women's Champions will compete for up to an additional \$1 million in Bonus Prize Money. Second place finishers will compete for up to \$500,000 and third place finishers will play for up to \$250,000.* Bonuses are based on US Open performance in the singles competition only. The complete breakdown of Bonus Prize Money payouts is detailed in the following chart:

BONUS PRIZE MONEY SCHEDULE				
2015 US OPEN FINISH	2015 EMIRATES AIRLINE US OPEN SERIES FINISH FIRST PLACE SECOND PLACE THIRD PLACE		ERIES FINISH THIRD PLACE	
WINNER	\$1,000,000	\$500,000	\$250,000	
FINALIST	\$500,000	\$250,000	\$125,000	
SEMIFINALIST	\$250,000	\$125,000	\$62,500	
QUARTERFINALIST	\$125,000	\$62,500	\$31,250	
ROUND OF 16	\$70,000	\$35,000	\$17,500	
ROUND OF 32	\$40,000	\$20,000	\$10,000	
ROUND OF 64	\$25,000	\$12,500	\$6,250	
ROUND OF 128	\$15,000	\$7,500	\$3,750	

^{*}The USTA reserves the right to withhold any bonus prize money payment from a player who does not make himself/herself available for the Emirates Airline US Open Series advertising campaign and/or other reasonable promotional activities as requested by the USTA.

- 2. <u>Emirates Airline US Open Series Bonus Points:</u> The following is the system by which the top three finishers (men's and women's) will be determined.
 - a. Players will earn Bonus Points as follows (for the singles competitions only): At each ATP Masters 1000 and WTA Premier 5 event in the Emirates Airline US Open Series, the winner will earn 100 Points, the finalist will earn 70 Points, the semifinalists will earn 45 Points, the quarterfinalists will earn 25 Points and the round-of-16 will earn 15 Points; at each ATP 250 and WTA Premier event, the winner will earn 70 Points, the finalist will earn 45 Points, the semifinalists will earn 25 Points and the quarterfinalists will earn 15 Points. The following chart illustrates the 2015 Emirates Airline US Open Series Bonus Challenge points' distribution.

2015 POINTS DISTRIBUTION			
	ATP World Tour 1000/ WTA Premier 5	ATP World Tour 250/ WTA Premier	
ROUND	WESTERN & SOUTHERN OPEN, ROGERS CUP	BB&T ATLANTA OPEN, BANK OF THE WEST CLASSIC, CONNECTICUT OPEN, WINSTON-SALEM OPEN	
WINNER	100	70	
FINALIST	70	45	
SEMIFINALISTS	45	25	
QUARTERFINALISTS	25	15	
ROUND OF 16	15	N/A	

- b. At ATP Masters 1000 and WTA Premier 5 events, Bonus Points will be awarded through the round-of-16 (16 players). At ATP 250 and WTA Premier Events, Bonus Points will be awarded through the quarterfinals (8 players). Players will not receive Bonus Points simply by entering Emirates Airline US Open Series events.
- c. A player will only earn Bonus Points in the final round of the tournament(s) to which he/she advances (provided he/she advances to a round in which Bonus Points are awarded).
- d. A player that plays and earns points in at least three (3) Emirates Airline US Open Series events will have his/her Bonus Points doubled.
- e. Player standings will be calculated and announced following each Emirates Airline US Open Series event.
- f. In order to qualify for Bonus Prize Money, <u>a player must play and earn points in at least two (2) Emirates Airline US Open Series events.</u>
- **Tie-Break Procedures:** The following tie-break procedures will be used in the event of any tie(s) for the first, second and/or third place finishers.

In the event of a 2-way tie (for either first place and second place, or second place and third place, or third place and fourth place), then a-e below shall be applied, in order, until the tie is broken:

- a. Head-to-head record in Emirates Airline US Open Series matches (in the current year);
- b. Greatest number of Emirates Airline US Open Series matches won (in the current year);
- c. Greatest number of Emirates Airline US Open Series sets won (in the current year);
- d. Greatest number of Emirates Airline US Open Series games won (in the current year):
- e. If a tie still exists after applying the above, the tie shall be broken by a coin toss.

In the event of a 3-way tie, then b-e above shall be applied, in order, until the tie is broken and the first place finisher is determined. The remaining 2-way tie shall be broken by applying a-e above, in order, until the tie is broken.

In the event of a 4-way (or greater) tie, then b-e above shall be applied, in order, until the tie is broken and the first place finisher is determined. The remaining tie shall be broken by applying b-e above, in order, until the second place and third place finishers are determined, however, if at any time the remaining tie is a 2-way tie, the tie shall be broken by applying a-e above, in order, until the tie is broken (for example, if following determination of the first place and second place finishers, a 2-way tie exists for third place, the tie shall be broken by applying a-e above).