



2015 US OPEN TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Flushing Meadows, NY, USA
Aug 31 – Sep 13, 2015 – \$20,102,700 – Grand Slam

FOR ALL PLAYERS INFORMATION, VISIT
THE PLAYERS ONLY WEB PAGE AT
www.usopen.org/playersonly

TOURNAMENT FACTS

As of July 8, 2015

Draw Size	Surface	Prize Money	Tournament Contact Information	Proposed TV Schedule
128M/128Q/64D/32Mxd	DecoTurf II / Outdoors	Ladies Event Total: US\$20,102,700 30% tax withheld from non-residents. US Open prize money and per diem will be paid through the WTA. Limited cash advances and other banking services will be available on-site. The WTA will wire prize money and per diem directly to players' bank accounts or mail a check.	David Brewer / USTA 70 West Red Oak Lane White Plains, NY 10604, USA PH: 1 718 760 6351 FX: 1 914 696 7052	ESPN and Tennis Channel domestically and 200 countries worldwide.
2014 Cutoffs M=106 Q=241 D=167 Mxd=71	Tennis Ball Wilson US Open Regular Duty			

TOURNAMENT DATES

Qualifying & Main Draw Dates	Entry Deadlines and Sign-Ins – DOUBLES ENTRY PROCEDURE	Main Draw Ceremony	Special Event
Qualifying: Aug 25 – 28, Tuesday - Friday Start Times: 11:00 am Main Draw: Aug 31 – Sep 13, Monday – Sunday (2 weeks) Start Times: 11:00 am Main Draw Doubles & Mixed Doubles begin Wed, Sep 2	Singles Main Draw: Entry deadline is Monday, July 20. Mandatory entry for all players who qualify by ranking for acceptance into the Main Draw. Singles Qualifying: Entry deadline is Monday, Aug 3 (4 weeks before MD). Players will not be required to sign-in for Singles Qualifying. Players on the Qualifying acceptance list will be included in the draw automatically provided they have been eliminated from the Singles and Doubles events at the previous week's tournament prior to 4:00 pm on Monday, Aug 24. All alternates may sign-in on-site until 30 minutes before play begins each day of the first round of Qualifying at the Player Registration Office. Order of Qualifying alternates will be based on the original acceptance list. Advanced Doubles Entries*: From Monday, Aug 3 to Friday, Aug 21 by 12:00 noon (NY time). *** SEE ATTACHED PROCEDURE *** Players will be able to enter on-site in Stanford, Washington, Toronto and Cincinnati. Mixed Doubles Sign-In*: From Mon, Aug 24, 12:00 noon to Monday, Aug 31, 12:00 noon in the Referee Office. *The better of a player's Singles or Doubles ranking will be used for acceptance purposes for Doubles and Mixed Doubles at the US Open.	Thursday, Aug 27	Arthur Ashe Kids' Day Saturday, Aug 29
		Finals Singles Final Saturday, Sep 12, 3:00 pm Doubles Final Sunday, Sep 13, 12:00 noon Mixed Doubles Final Friday, Sep 11, 12:00 noon	

TOURNAMENT HOTELS

Hotel Name, Address & Rates	Reservations	TRANSPORTATION & AIRPORT PICKUP PH: 1 718 760 6300	TOURNAMENT VENUE Address & PH/FX
JW Marriott Essex House 160 Central Park South New York, NY 10019 Phone: 1 212 247 0300	Hotel reservations will be handled online. Reservations can be made for dates between Aug 10 – Sep 9. Reservations for dates earlier or later than those specified will be rejected and require the personalized attention of Gina de Dios at JW Marriott Essex House. She can be reached at: Isabelregina.dedios@marriott.com or via phone at 1 212 484 4821 The reservation deadline is August 5. Rates are not guaranteed for reservations made after this date. For players and coaches: http://resweb.passkey.com/go/wtaplayers Direct family members and friends https://resweb.passkey.com/go/wtafriendsandfamily Room reservations rates include: - Unlimited wireless internet access for all of your devices in your guestroom, lobby, restaurants and bar - Unlimited use of the fitness center & sauna and the New York Athletic Club (NYAC) for Players + 1 guest member of your PST 10% off of room service or dining experiences at the hotel restaurant/bar, South Gate - Unlimited toll free and local calls from your in room phone	Airport pick-up available for Main Draw Players ONLY beginning Wednesday, Aug 26 from JFK, LaGuardia (LGA) and Newark Liberty (EWR) airports ONLY (24-hour advance notice required) . Limited Shuttle Bus Service will begin Saturday, Aug 22 at 8:00 am between the JW Marriott Essex House, Waldorf-Astoria and the Grand Hyatt hotels and the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center. Car Transportation will begin Wednesday, Aug 26 and is available for Main Draw players ONLY between the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center and the player's hotel/local residence ONLY, provided the location is within a 15-mile radius of the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center (see map defining the 15-mile radius in the 2015 US Open Player Handbook on usopen.org/playersonly or US Open Transportation Brochure). Call 1 718 760 6300 to reserve a car or airport transportation.	USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center Flushing Meadows–Corona Park Flushing, NY 11368, USA PH: 1 718 760 6200 Referee Office (Brian Earley) PH: 1 718 760 6234 WTA office: PH: 1 718 760 6372 FX: 1 718 593 8209 Player Registration PH: 1 914 696 7277 until Aug 19 PH: 1 718 760 6350 after Aug 20 Practice Desk PH: 1 718 760 6218 Opens Saturday, Aug 22 at 8:00 am. Tournament site will NOT be accessible prior to this date. No exception due to the work in progress at the USTA BJK NTC.
Player and Coach Single/Double = \$230 Upgrade Suite = \$305 (king bed/pullout sofa) Direct Family and Friends Rates Single/Double = \$280 Upgrade Suite = \$355 (king bed/pullout sofa) Tax = 14.76% + \$3.50/Room/Night	Per Diem: \$300 per diem for MD players for each day in the tournament + 3 days. \$150 per diem for Q players for each day in the tournament + 2 days. Per diem begins as follows: Singles MD competitors on Monday, Aug 31; Doubles only competitors on Wednesday, Sep 2, Qualifying competitors on Tuesday, Aug 25.		

SECURITY AND CREDENTIAL PROCEDURES: FOR SECURITY PURPOSES, EVERY PLAYER (INCLUDING QUALIFIERS), COACH, TRAINER/PHYSIO AND PLAYER GUEST MUST COMPLETE THE **ONLINE CREDENTIAL APPLICATION BY JULY 31.**

- US Open Online Credential System is available via usopen.org/playersonly.
- Those under 18 also need to complete a secondary form also available via usopen.org/playersonly. Credentials (players, coaches, player guests, etc.) will be valid for two (2) days following the player's elimination from the tournament (extensions may be allowed if requested by player in person).
- **Main Draw players** receive three (3) guest credentials (one may be assigned to a coach with access to appropriate locker room, and one may be assigned to a private physio with access to fitness center). Seeded Main Draw Singles/Doubles players receive one (1) additional guest credential.
- **Qualifying players** receive two (2) guest credentials (one may be assigned to a coach with access to appropriate locker room).
- **Non-credentialed guests will only have access to the grounds from Tuesday, Aug 25 through Sunday, Aug 30.**

WTA STAFF:

SUPERVISOR: Laura Ceccarelli, Pam Whytcross, Donna Kelso & Kerrilyn Cramer
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PLAYER DEVELOPMENT: Ashley Keber
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2015 US OPEN PRIZE MONEY

MEN'S/WOMEN'S SINGLES	per player
Winner	\$ 3,300,000
Runner-up	\$ 1,600,000
Semifinalists	\$ 805,000
Quarterfinalists	\$ 410,975
Round of 16	\$ 213,575
Round of 32	\$ 120,200
Round of 64	\$ 68,600
Round of 128	\$ 39,500

MEN'S/WOMEN'S DOUBLES	per team
Winner	\$ 570,000
Runner-up	\$ 275,000
Semifinalists	\$ 133,150
Quarterfinalists	\$ 67,675
Round of 16	\$ 35,025
Round of 32	\$ 21,700
Round of 64	\$ 14,200

MEN'S/WOMEN'S QUALIFYING SINGLES	per player
Third round	\$ 15,000
Second round	\$ 10,000
First round	\$ 5,000

MIXED DOUBLES	per team
Winner	\$ 150,000
Runner-up	\$ 70,000
Semifinalists	\$ 30,000
Quarterfinalists	\$ 15,000
Round of 16	\$ 10,000
Round of 32	\$ 5,000



DOUBLES ENTRY PROCEDURE

Sign-in opens on Monday, 3 August.
Please enter with WTA Supervisors during tournaments in
Stanford - Washington - Toronto – Cincinnati,
or through US Open Referee, Brian Earley, at
usopendoubles@usta.com

Sign-in deadline: Friday 21th August
12.00 noon (NY time)

Players will be allowed to pair up with another partner until the Doubles Draw is made on Sunday, 30 August. The new partner cannot be already on the Doubles acceptance list and the combined ranking of the new team must be better than the first alternate.

DIRECT ACCEPTANCE

Based on the best of Singles or Doubles
ranking as of August 17

57 Direct acceptances
7 Wild cards

DRAW

On Sunday, August 30
Seeding ranking August 24
Women's Doubles will start on Wednesday, September 2



2015 US Open Hotel Reservation

WTA Players, Coaches, PST, Family & Friends



JW Marriott Essex House
160 Central Park South
New York, NY 10019
Phone: +1.282.414.4618

Hotel reservations for the US Open will be handled online. Below, please find a personalized website for Players (separate link for PST, Friends & Family) to make reservations for dates between August 16-September 15, 2015. Reservations for dates earlier or later than those specified will need to go through Gina De Dios of the JW Marriott Essex House directly at Gina.DeDios@marriott.com or via phone at +1.212.484.4521.

Access to the site is organized by guest type and can be obtained by going to the appropriate links below. Room reservations rates include:

- Unlimited wireless internet access for all of your devices in your guestroom, lobby, restaurants and bar
- Unlimited use of the hotel fitness center & sauna and the New York Athletic Club (NYAC) for Players + 1 guest member of your PST
- 10% off of room service or dining experiences at the hotel restaurant/bar, South Gate
- Unlimited toll-free and local calls from your in room phone

PLAYERS & COACHES

Players and coaches should use the following link to book, modify or cancel a reservation.

<https://resweb.passkey.com/go/wtaplayers>

* Players and coaches will be required to show their US Open credentials prior to check-out to verify their eligibility for the player rate.

PLAYER SUPPORT TEAM/FRIENDS & FAMILY

All friends and other guests should use the following link for reservations:

<https://resweb.passkey.com/go/wtafriendsandfamily>

Rates:

Players/Coaches		PST/FRIENDS & FAMILY	
King/Double	\$ 230 + Tax	King/Double	\$ 280 + Tax
Upgrade/Suite	\$ 305 +Tax	Upgrade/Suite	\$ 355 + Tax

RESERVATION DEADLINE is August 5, 2015 and is subject on availability at time of booking.

In the event that you are experiencing issues with the online registration site, you may also arrange your stay for the US Open with the Marriott via phone at +1-800-228-9290.

News from the US Open

★ Increased Prize Money

In keeping with its commitment to increase prize money to \$50 million by 2017, the USTA will announce this year's prize money approximately Tuesday, July 13. The round-by-round breakdown will be available later that week via the Players Only web page (usopen.org/playersonly).

★ USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center Transformation

The second phase of the US Open Strategic Transformation, the five-year plan to renovate and update the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center, is well underway. The project, which began in 2014 and is slated for completion in 2018, will reinforce the US Open's reputation for marrying history with innovation, all while enhancing the standing of the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center as one of the finest tennis facilities in the world. For the 2015 US Open, players will see that the frame of the roof over Arthur Ashe Stadium has been installed, with the full roof on course to be completed and operational for 2016. In addition, Arthur Ashe Stadium will also feature four new videoboards as well as LED court lighting and a new sound system, and construction has started on the new Grandstand stadium, to be located on the southwest corner of the grounds. Please visit the "General Information for All Players" section of the US Open Players Only web page (usopen.org/playersonly) for additional details.

★ ESPN

Beginning this year, ESPN will serve as the US Open's exclusive domestic broadcast partner, delivering first-ball to last-ball coverage on its family of networks. Fans will be able to follow the action on TV on ESPN and ESPN2 as well as via daylong live streaming of all TV courts on ESPN3 and through the Watch ESPN app, delivering record coverage of the event.

★ Schedule Changes

The US Open will return to a 14-day event in 2015, which will impact all five main draw events. The women's singles semifinals are scheduled for Thursday, September 10, the men's singles semifinals and mixed doubles final for Friday, the men's doubles and women's singles finals for Saturday and the women's doubles and men's singles finals for Sunday.

★ Players Only Web Page

The Players Only web page (usopen.org/playersonly) includes important player related information such as the Player Handbook, fact sheets, acceptance lists, alternate practice court options, transportation details, important dates/deadlines and discount offers as well as links to the US Open Online Credential System and Letter of Invitation and Wild Card Request Forms. In addition, the password protected area of the site will include the practice court schedule for courts P1 – P5, the Match Information Display system and Match Analysis/Match Video Archive for select 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015 US Open matches. Players will receive their Players Only username and PIN upon collection of their credentials from Player Registration.

★ Player Dining Seating Changes

The seating area in player dining is being reconfigured and expanded to better accommodate players and their guests.

★ Match Analysis/Match Video

The US Open will supply a complimentary match USB flash drive for all televised singles and doubles matches played on broadcast courts. Players can also view the same information that is on the flash drive within the password-protected area of the US Open Players Only web page (usopen.org/playersonly). Players will receive their username and PIN upon collection of their credentials from Player Registration.

★ US Open National Playoffs Expanded

The US Open National Playoffs have been expanded to include men's and women's doubles, with the winners of each event receiving a wild card into the respective 2015 US Open competition. The winners of the men's and women's singles events will continue to receive wild cards into the 2015 US Open Qualifying Tournament, while winners of the mixed doubles event will receive a wild card into the 2015 US Open mixed doubles competition. The US Open mixed doubles competition will consist of 24 direct acceptances and eight wild cards, and the men's and women's doubles competitions will consist of 57 direct acceptances and seven wild cards.

★ American Collegiate Invitational

The American Collegiate Tennis Invitational will once again take place at the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center, Thursday, September 10, through Saturday, September 12. Top American collegiate players—eight men and eight women—will compete in the event, which showcases college tennis on America's grandest tennis stage.

★ US Open Online Credential System

Everyone requesting a credential for the 2015 US Open (including all players, guests, coaches, etc.) will be required to apply via the US Open Online Credential System. Paper applications will no longer be available or accepted. Those under 18 years of age will also need to submit a secondary form (please see the "Credential Application Form" section for additional information). The Online Credential System will be available via the Players Only web page (usopen.org/playersonly) approximately June 1.

★ Official Order of Play Available Online ONLY

The official order of play will ONLY be available via the Players Only web page (usopen.org/playersonly). Players will receive their Players Only username and PIN upon collection of their credentials from Player Registration.

★ Microphones in Player Boxes

For the sixth consecutive year, there will be microphones in the player boxes in Arthur Ashe Stadium as an enhancement for our domestic television viewers. All replays will be shown on a delayed basis, and our television partners are not allowed to broadcast anything that would embarrass the player or his/her guests.

