

2008 U.S. Junior National Badminton Championships
June 28 – July 2, 2008
Marblehead, Massachusetts

VENUE Marblehead High School
2 Humphrey Street, Marblehead, MA 01945

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EVENTS Boy's Singles, Girl's Singles, Boy's Doubles, Girl's Doubles and Mixed Doubles. Age Division: UNDER-7 Exhibition, UNDER-9, UNDER-11, UNDER-13, UNDER-15, UNDER-17, UNDER-19 and UNDER-22. (Parents are advised that All UNDER-7 players should not play in higher age categories unless they are mature enough to handle competition without assistance. All USAB rules such as service faults and continuous play will be enforced. It is therefore expected that the UNDER-9 will have only 7 and 8 year olds).

To qualify for an age division, the player's age must be under the age division as of 12/31/08. A feed-in consolation draw through the quarter-finals will be used in accordance with USA Badminton. Events with less than three entries will be cancelled.

All events will use the International Badminton Federation rally point scoring system to 21 points. (See USA Badminton website for more details: www.usabadminton.org)

ELIGIBILITY Participation in the 2008 U.S. Junior National Badminton Championships (U.S. Juniors) is open to any member of USA Badminton, except as set forth below, (non-members may join before tournament), who are U.S. citizens or have been a resident of the United States for the last 12 months consecutively, and who have not played in another country's Junior or Adult Nationals in the preceding 12 months or represented another country internationally in the past 2 years.

To enter, contestants must complete this application and forward it, along with the appropriate fees, to MYB, postmarked no later than May 15, 2008 (No telephone entries accepted). Entrants must also send a copy of their birth certificate or passport (no driver's license, social security card or identification cards accepted).

Entry forms shall be mailed to: Marblehead Youth Badminton; P.O. BOX 1323, Marblehead, MA 01945

FEE The entry fee is \$100 per person, which includes a tournament t-shirt, tournament shuttlecocks provided by Yonex and an invitation to the tournament banquet (there will be a separate party for adults). There will be a three event maximum per player. Make checks payable to MYB.

AWARDS Medals shall be awarded to the top five finishers in each event.

DRAWS/SEEDING

Draws for the 2008 U.S. Junior National Badminton Championships will be consistent with all pertinent BWF and USAB tournament rules (USAB rule book, pages 55-59). Seeding will be done by the USAB Junior committee based on results of the prior year's championships and head-to-head competition in the intervening year. Shadow seeding will be used. A double blind draw (separate random selection of appropriate draw position and player) will be used for a) seeds, b) shadow seeds, and c) geographic location (region/state/area as appropriate).

The time and place of the draws will be posted two weeks prior to the tournament unless advance notification of change is given.

Yonex is the official equipment sponsor of USA Badminton. Shuttlecocks will be provided by Yonex Corporation

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Friday, June 27: 6:00 pm Registration at the Marblehead High School

7:00 pm Player's Meeting

7:30 pm Coach/Team Manager's Meeting

Saturday, June 28 - Tuesday, July 1: 8:30 am to 8 pm Tournament Play

Tuesday, July 1: Tournament Banquet 7 PM

Wednesday, July 2: 9:00 am to 5 pm Finals

AIR TRAVEL The local airport is the Logan Airport in Boston. It's about 30 minutes drive to the gym. For lower airfare you may check the airport in Providence, RI or Manchester, NH. We only provide transportation to & from Logan Airport. Please contact Linda Rodts at: mybhousing@comcast.net

LODGING

We suggest that players should take advantage of free housing by families in the community. Please contact Linda Rodts at: mybhousing@comcast.net ASAP if you are interested. We are able to house 50 kids only. For local host hotel info please check the list at the USAB website under the Junior Nationals info.

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Please print clearly, complete entry form, sign release and return to:
Marblehead Youth Badminton, P.O. BOX 1323, Marblehead, MA 01945

Name: _____ Email Address: _____ USA#B#: _____ U.S Citizen (Y/N): _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Day Phone : (____) _____ Night Phone: (____) _____ Date of Birth: _____ Sex(M/F): _____ T-Shirt Size

(S/M/L/XL): _____

Club Name: _____ Coach's e-mail address: _____ Parent's e-mail: _____

Coach's Name: _____ Coach's phone number: _____

Note: for the first time this year coaches will be issued credentials - we need to know your coaches names and contact information. This includes any parent acting as a coach.

AGE CATEGORIES: Player's age must be under the age division as of 12/31/08.

EVENTS SINGLES DOUBLES MIXED DOUBLES

(Enter "Yes") (Enter partner's name or "Request") (Enter partner's name or "Request")

Under-22 (born year of 1987 and later) _____

Under-19 (born year of 1990 and later) _____

Under-17 (born year of 1992 and later) _____

Under-15 (born year of 1994 and later) _____

Under-13 (born year of 1996 and later) _____

Under-11 (born year of 1998 and later) _____

Under-9 (born year of 2000 and later) _____

Under-7 (born year of 2002 and later) _____ None

I am willing to play a 4th event in XD with a player requesting a female partner YES NO

Partners will be selected by the tournament committee

TOTAL ENTRY FEE \$100 per person with 3 event maximum.

All amounts are non-refundable after May 15, 2008.

WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

NOTE: THIS FORM MUST BE READ AND SIGNED BEFORE THE PARTICIPANT IS PERMITTED TO TAKE PART IN EVENT SESSIONS. BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT, THE PARTICIPANT AFFIRMS HAVING READ IT.

IN CONSIDERATION of my involvement at the 2008 U.S. Junior National Championships under the auspices of USA Badminton and MYB, 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.
2. I knowingly and freely assume all such risk; both known and unknown, even if arising from the negligence of the releases or others;
3. I willingly agree to comply with the stated 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,
4. I, 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 committee, their sponsors, their officers, volunteers, staff, sponsors and/or agents, (releases) with respect to any and all injury and loss arising from my participation, whether caused by negligence of the releases, 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.

5. I agree to be bound by the rules and regulations of the International Badminton Federation 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.

6. I hereby grant to USA Badminton, its licensees and contractees including photographers, television and motion picture companies, their affiliates and subsidiaries, full television and motion picture rights including authority 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.

I have read this Release of Liability and Waiver Agreement, fully understand its terms, understand that I have given up substantial rights by signing it, and sign it freely and voluntarily without any inducement. And I further acknowledge by these presents that I am aware that DRUG TESTING may occur at this event.

Participant's Signature Sport of Affiliation

Participant's Name (Printed) Date of Signature

FOR PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE

This is to certify that I/We as parents(s)/guardians(s) with legal responsibility for this participant, do consent and agree not only to his/her release, but also for myself, ourselves, and my/ our heirs, assigns and next of kin to release and indemnify the Releases 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.

Parent/Legal Guardians Signature Relationship to Participant