



THE 2010 USTA GIRLS' 16 & 18 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

REGISTRATION INFORMATION FOR THE 2010 NATIONALS

Registration & Entry Deadline:

All registrations for the 2010 USTA Girls 16 & 18 National Championships must be done online through the USTA Tennis Link registration system. The tournament id # is **651860210** and the home page is:

<http://tennislink.usta.com/tournaments/TournamentHome/Tournament.aspx?T=80511>

Please note, the entry deadline is July 15th at **NOON EASTERN TIME OR 9AM PACIFIC TIME**. Late entries are not accepted and any late entries will be added to the bottom of the alternate list.

Option to Enter Up to Two USTA National Championships:

The USTA Regulations allow a player to enter more than one age division of a USTA National Championship. If you want to play the Nationals in San Diego, but aren't sure if you will get in, you may enter up to two age divisions.

When tournament selection is done, players will be selected for 18s USTA National Championship first. If you are selected for the 18s Nationals, you will not be selected into the other age division you entered. If you are not selected for the 18s Nationals, you will only be considered for selection into the younger age division and you will only be eligible to be an alternate in the younger age division. This is an important thing to consider before entering - if you enter two divisions, are not accepted into the older division, you can only be an alternate in the younger division.

Although you can enter two divisions you cannot play in two divisions in the Nationals. You will be selected for one draw only and if you plan to play doubles you must also play in that same age division. In other words, you cannot play singles in the Girls 16's and Doubles in the 18's.

Selection Process:

All USTA National Championships follow the selection rules designated by the USTA. All players must be endorsed by their USTA Sectional office to be considered eligible to play unless you are on the NCSL, qualified through a National Open, or receive a wild card (see below). If you are unsure of your Section's endorsement requirements please check with your Sectional office before the tournament deadline. If you are not endorsed by your section or have qualified through other ways, you have few options once the selection process has been completed.

Selection into the event is based first on a Sectional Quota system followed by the latest USTA National Selection list. If you would like to understand more about this process please go to the tournament homepage and click on Tournament Home/Selection Process on the bottom left side.

Wild Cards:

If you are not endorsed by your section and/or have other issues that keep you from being selected into the event (i.e. low national ranking but high ITF ranking), you may apply for a wild card entry. Up to 8 Wild Cards may be granted for The Nationals in both 18s and 16s. If you would like a wildcard application please click on the link located on the tournament home page. **THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR DOES NOT HAVE THE APPLICATIONS.** Applications are due to the National Director of Jr. Competition no later than five days after the entry deadline.

After the application deadline, the wild card committee will meet to select wild cards, if any. Wild Card recipients will be notified by the Director of Jr. Competition and will then need to make arrangements to pay the entry fee.

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Withdrawals/Refunds:

If a player needs to withdraw from the tournament before play has begun, she must contact the tournament director by email by Saturday, July 31 in order to be eligible for a refund. Refunds will be sent (not including the Tennis Link service charge) after the conclusion of the tournament.

After the tournament has begun, a player desiring to withdraw from singles and/or doubles for any reason must notify the Tournament Director and the Tournament Referee before leaving the facility. If the reason is for injury or illness, the player must meet with the Trainer and/or the Medical Director in order to verify the illness or injury. Players failing to follow these procedures will be defaulted and their points for the event will not count unless for an injury or illness, a written verification from a medical professional is received before the end of the event or, in the case of a personal emergency, a written explanation is received by the same date and both the referee and tournament director determine the situation is for a personal emergency.

If a player requests to withdraw from one event due to injury or illness, but continue to play in the other event, a determination will be made by the Tournament Committee only after evaluation by the Medical Director.

Housing and Transportation:

Unfortunately because of liability issues we are not able to offer transportation and/or private housing for The Nationals in San Diego. The Barnes Tennis Center and the Mission Valley Hilton are very close (within 10 minute drive) to the airport, however it is highly recommended that you rent a car while you are here. San Diego is a difficult place to be without personal transportation.

Entry Supplement/Release Form:

Please download the PDF version of the release form and email, fax, or mail the form back to the tournament. You will not be allowed to compete in the USTA Nationals if this form is not received by the tournament before the start of play and you could lose your place in the draw if we have not received this information by the end of sign-up on August 7th.

Player Profile Form:

If you would like to be included in the Player Bio book that we give to the coaches please click the link on the tournament home page and fill out the form and if possible upload a picture. These bios will help the coaches in their recruiting process while they are watching you here at the event, and may also be the best way of "marketing yourself" to the coaches who are not able to make it to the tournament. You are not required to fill out these forms; however, if you would like to be in the book you must have the form filled out and sent to us by Monday, August 2nd.

College Coaches Forum:

If you have completed your junior year of high school you are encouraged to participate in the College Forum to be held on registration day at the Mission Valley Hilton. The forum will be held from 10am – 2 pm and many of the coaches will be setting up individual meetings before and after these times. Please note: **YOU CANNOT SPEAK TO ANY COLLEGE COACH AFTER YOU REGISTER FOR THE TOURNAMENT.** If you do so you, and the coach, will be violating NCAA rules and this could affect your eligibility. If you plan to attend the Forum, make sure you do so before coming to Barnes and registering for the tournament.

Please look through all of the information on the tournament home page for answers to your questions. If something is not answered, feel free to contact the tournament director by email at sbickham@ytsd.org or call at 619-221-9000.

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