

2025 NTRP National Championships Fact Sheet

Draw format: Round-robin with playoffs per division.

- Each division will consist of round-robin draws that will play into single-elimination draws. Where the player finishes in the initial round-robin will determine which subsequent single-elimination draw the player feeds into. All players regardless of their Round Robin finishing position will feed into a Single Elimination playoff draw (if there are).
 - All 1st place Round Robin group finishers will play each other in a Single Elimination draw (the winner of this Single Elimination draw will be the National Champion)
 - All 2nd place Round Robin group finishers will play each other in a Single Elimination draw
 - All 3rd place Round Robin group finishers will play each other in a Single Elimination draw
 - All 4th place Round Robin group finishers will play each other in a Single Elimination draw
- In some cases (typically when there are less than four flights) the top 2 from each flight may advance to the Playoff 1 to play for the National Championship in a Single Elimination bracket. The remaining players would advance to Playoff 2. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to select this option if they feel it will provide the best overall experience for players.
- If there are not enough players/teams available to make more than one Round Robin, then a single Round Robin will be used and the winner of this single Round Robin will be the National Champion.

Match format: Best of three (3) short sets. First to four (4) games wins the set.

(Tie-break Game at 3-3). The Tie-Game at 3-3 shall be as follows:

- First to 7 points, must win by 2
- The serving rotation will follow what is in Friend at Court - The player whose turn it is to serve shall serve the first point of the tie-break game. The following two

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points shall be served by the opponent(s) (in doubles, the player of the opposing team due to serve next). After this, each player/team shall serve alternatively for two consecutive points until the end of the tie-break game (in doubles, the rotation of service within each team shall continue in the same order as during the set).

- Coman Tiebreak Procedure to be used for changing ends - During a tie-break game, players shall change ends after the first point and thereafter every four points.

Scoring format: No-ad scoring will be used. If each player/team has won three points each, the score is “deuce” and a deciding point shall be played.

- The receiver(s) shall choose whether to receive the service from the right half or the left half of the court for Men’s or Women’s Singles and Doubles.
- In Men’s or Women’s doubles, the players of the receiving team cannot change positions to receive the deciding point.
- In Mixed Doubles, the player of the same gender as the server shall receive the deciding point. The players of the receiving team cannot change positions to receive the deciding point.
- The player/team who wins the deciding point wins the “game.”