

ITA National Men's Team Indoor Championships

Hosted by the University of Illinois
At The Midtown Tennis Club in Chicago
February 13-16, 2009

Site: The 2009 ITA National Men's Team Indoor Championship will be held entirely at the Midtown Tennis Club located in Chicago, IL. As one of the premier tennis clubs in the country, Midtown features 18 indoor tennis courts, 3 platform tennis courts, 3 tennis practice lanes, a full-service Pro-Shop, and Cafe. Please feel free to visit Midtown's website at www.midtowntennisclub.com or call the facility at (773) 235-2300.

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Travel: We recommend that all flights be booked through Anthony Travel, the official travel management service of the ITA (phone - 877-284-2254).

Team Check-In: Rooms are reserved at the host hotel starting on Tuesday, February 10th.

Schedule of Play:

Friday, February 13:

9:00 a.m. Match Play
12:00 p.m. Match Play
3:00 p.m. Match Play
6:30 p.m. Match Play

Saturday, February 14:

9:00 a.m. Match Play
12:00 p.m. Match Play
3:00 p.m. Match Play
6:30 p.m. Match Play

Sunday, February 15:

9:00 a.m. Match Play
12:00 p.m. Match Play
3:00 p.m. Match Play
6:30 p.m. Match Play

Monday, February 16:

12:00 p.m. Championship Match
3:30 p.m. Awards Presentation

Practice Court Information: Practice times for your one (1) official practice time on Thursday, February 12th will be assigned based on the order of matches teams play in Friday's first round. The first official practice times will be for 10 am CST. You will be informed of your official practice time as soon as the bracket is released. For additional practice times please contact Midtown Tennis Club at (773) 235-2300. There will be a charge for additional practice times.

Racquet Stringing: There will be stringers available at the Midtown Tennis Club. A special tournament price, to be determined, will be offered for stringing. String is an additional cost for individuals who do not bring their own.

Welcome Reception/Banquet Information: The championship banquet will be held at the Doubletree Hotel on Thursday, February 12th. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. with dinner served at 7:00 p.m.

ITA Coaches (or players w/o coach) meeting: There will be a mandatory coaches' meeting on Thursday, February 12th, at the Doubletree Hotel immediately following the championship banquet. Administrative matters and the format of the championship will be reviewed.

Admission for all Spectators:

Public \$5.00

Student \$3.00

*These prices are per day. Ticket is good for all matches on the day it is bought.

Public All Session - \$15.00

Student All Session - \$10.00

*Will be sold first day of Championship.

Official Tournament Hotel: Doubletree Hotel Chicago Magnificent Mile will serve as the host hotel for the 2009 ITA National Men's Team Indoor Championship.

Doubletree Hotel Chicago - Magnificent Mile
300 East Ohio Street
Chicago, IL 60611
Contact – Megan Barry
Phone – (312) 224-4247
Fax – (312) 896-5113

Each institution is responsible for contacting the hotel directly for room reservations as well as for meeting rooms, meals, and other functions. Please ask for Megan Barry at **(312) 224-4247** when making your reservation and specify "Team Block for the 2009 ITA Championships". In order to facilitate the handling of these reservations, the rooming lists from each team must be received no later than **February 5, 2009**. Team room rates at the Doubletree Hotel will be \$117.00 plus tax per night. The ITA will help cover some expenses for team lodging; exact amount to be determined.

The Doubletree offers numerous restaurants options on their grounds and also offers complimentary access into Lakeshore Athletic Club. Facilities include; an indoor heated swimming pool, whirlpool, (3) indoor tennis courts, steam room, sauna, and weight room. Additional fees and reservations are required for tennis court times. Please contact the Lakeshore Athletic Club at (312) 944-4546. Please note; if you wish to utilize Lakeshore Athletic Club tennis courts, there will be an additional charge.

Also, please let your fans know that we are offering a special **friends and family block** at the host hotel for a great low rate of \$122.00/per night. Fans can call the Doubletree at (312) 787-6100 and request the “Friends and Family Block for the ITA National Men’s Indoor Tennis Championship”. To receive this discounted rate for friends and family reservations must be made by **February 5, 2009**.

Format:

Doubles first, followed by singles.

Ball & Ball Change:

Wilson Extra Duty balls will be used. The ball change is one can (3 balls) per set in singles and four (4) balls for doubles.

Hospitality: A hospitality area will be available to all coaches, athletes, staff and umpires during competition. This area will consist of fruit and granola bars. It is an NCAA violation for parents/friends/fans to make use of the championship hospitality area.

Airport Info:

The Doubletree Hotel Chicago – Magnificent Mile is located 9 miles from Midway Airport (approximately 30-45 minutes) and 18 miles from O’Hare Airport (approximately 45-60 minutes).

Directions:

From O’Hare to the Doubletree: Take I-90 East towards Downtown Chicago. Exit Ohio St. East. Drive 11 blocks East on local Ohio St. to Fairbanks Court. Hotel is on the left side.

From Midway to the Doubletree: Take I-55 East to I-90/94 West towards Downtown Chicago. Exit Ohio St. East. Drive 11 blocks East on local Ohio St. to Fairbanks Court. Hotel is on the left side.