

RACQUETBALL SINGLES TOURNAMENT- SPRING 2009

REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____ League: Men's Women's
 Email: _____ Circle a Preferred Time: Morning Afternoon Evening
 Phone Number: _____ Games are played: Wednesday & Thursday
 Cell Number: _____ Tournament begins: Wednesday, Feb 25th
 Pager/Fax Number: _____ Preferred 1st game time: (Please note preferences are not guaranteed)
 Institution/Year: _____

ENTRY FEE:

\$3.00 for UT-Houston Students and Current Rec Members (**Must be current during league participation*)
 \$5.00 for all Other participants (must be affiliated with UT/TMC)
MAXIMUM 24 Players (16 Men & 8 Women) and at least 8 players (4 Men/4 Women) to make tournament. (on a first registered basis)

HOW TO REGISTER: Registration opens Monday, January 26th. Turn in your registration form by or before Tuesday, February 17th @ 6:00 p.m. to the Recreation Center at 7779 Knight Road and sign up for your desired 1st game time with the front desk staff. **PLAYERS MUST SELECT A DESIRED TIME WHEN TURNING IN THE REGISTRATION FORM!** Otherwise you risk the chance of not playing at their desired time or not being entered in the tournament. ***Choosing a desired game time is not guaranteed you will receive this game time however this helps with scheduling.***

PAYMENT IS DUE & ACCEPTED FROM WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH - TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH BY 6:00 P.M. IF NO PAYMENT IS RECEIVED FROM THE REGISTERED PLAYERS, HE/SHE WILL BE ELIMINATED FROM THE TOURNAMENT.

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION: The racquetball singles tournament will be either a single elimination or consolation tournament. All games will be played on the Recreation Center Racquetball court @ 7779 Knight Road. All UT-Houston Students, Current Rec members, and all Other players (must be affiliated with UT/TMC) are eligible to play. **NON REC MEMBERS WILL RECEIVE A WRIST BAND AT CHECK IN TO BE WORN WHILE PARTICIPATING IN THIS ACTIVITY. ALL NON REC MEMBER PARTICIPANTS ARE PROHIBITED FROM USING THE FACILITY, EXCEPT FOR THE LEISURE GAME AREA DURING THIS EVENT.** Depending on how many players enter all games will be played each Wednesday & Thursday starting in the morning and last game @ 9:30 p.m. until the tournament has ended. **All teams must be prepared to play Feb. 25-26 and March 4-5 if necessary.**

SCHEDULES/RULES/AWARDS: The racquetball singles tournament schedule & rules will be e-mailed to each player February 20th by 12:00 p.m. All participants will officiate themselves, gentleman's rules apply. Participants must sign a waiver before game time. The winner of the tournament will receive a Rec Sports championship t-shirt and take picture for our Rec Sports wall and web site!

For more information please call Kelly McNamara @
 713-500-8422 or e-mail Kelly.McNamara@uth.tmc.edu

(Registration opens January 26th - PAYMENT ACCEPTED ONLY FROM FEBRUARY 18TH - FEBRUARY 24TH)

Office Use Only: Date/Time Rcv'd: _____ Staff Initials: _____ (Place registration forms in the Rec Sports folder)



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*Spring 2009 - Racquetball Tournament
Rules & Regulations*

Format:

- The format for the Racquetball Singles Tournament will be as such: the winner will advance to the next round.
- The total number of matches required to win the tournament will depend on the number of entries.
- An individual's placement in the single-elimination bracket is completely random.
- A match will be determined on a best two-out-of-three game basis.
- Each game will be played to 15 points.
- Players will officiate their own games. Gentleman's Rules apply. Please respect the calls. However, if a decision can not be mutually agreed upon, the point will be played over as if the incident did not occur.
- **Game time is forfeit time.**

Equipment:

- Player's are encouraged to bring one can of racquetballs to their first match.
- Player's must supply their own equipment (eye guards, racquet, etc.).
- Protective eye wear is **HIGHLY RECOMMENDED** during play.
- Wrist thong (at the end of the handle) must be worn at all times.
- Only non-marking athletic shoes are permitted.

The Game:

- Each match is 25 minutes long. Each game will be played to 15 points.
- The player with the most games won wins.
- If the game is tied at the match time limit, players will play to first one to score 5 points wins.
- The objective is to win each rally by serving or returning the ball so the opponent is unable to keep the ball in play. A rally is over when a side (player) makes an error, or is unable to return the ball before it touches the floor twice.
- Only the serving side (player) scores points, when it serves an ace or wins a rally. When the serving side loses a rally, it only loses the serve.
- The side (player) first scoring 15 points wins a game.
- The side (player) first to win two games wins the match.
- The team (player) winning the coin toss becomes the first server and starts the first game. The receiving team (player) in the first game shall serve first in the second game. If necessary, the third game (tie-breaker) will begin with the team winning a second coin toss becoming the first to serve.



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Racquetball Singles Individual Sports Activities Waiver

The University urges all participants in athletic and instructional activities to act in such a manner as to protect their own safety and the safety of others. The University further requires that all persons who participate sign the following agreement prior to taking part in the activity.

I fully understand that my participation in any of the UTHSC-H Recreation Center program activities is purely voluntary. I desire to participate and agree to act in a reasonable and prudent manner under the circumstances further understand that any University staff in attendance will be acting in an individual capacity only and will not be present as a University official or to ensure the safety of participants.

As a condition to my participation in the activity, I waive and release the State of Texas, The University of Texas System, The University of Texas Health Science Center - Houston and their Regents, officers, employees and agents from any claim that I may have for any damage to property or injury to my person that may result in whole or in part from my participation in the activity.

I understand that the University does not either expressly or impliedly require my participation in this activity. If I am a University employee, I do not consider the activity within the scope and course of my employment with the University of Texas Health Science Center - Houston.

Return this form by or before first game, to the league coordinator in person or mail to REC 182.

I certify that I am affiliated with and meet eligibility requirements for participation in the Rec Sports program.

Printed Name

Date

Signature