

All-Americans

Each season, players in both the MCSA and the WCSA are selected to the All-American team. Each All-American will receive two certificates (one for the athlete and one for the institution).

Criteria: All men's and women's players must compete in at least 50% of their team's matches and compete in the Individual Championships in order to be considered for All-American status.

MEN'S ALL-AMERICANS

First Team All-American: Players who meet any of the following criteria will be awarded First Team All-American status:

- Ranked 1st-4th in the final regular season individual rankings
- Top-10 finish at the Individual Championships

Second Team All-American: Players who meet any of the following criteria will be awarded Second Team All-American status:

- Ranked 5th-10th in the final regular season individual rankings
- Finished 11th – 16th at the Individual Championships
- Winners of each of the four draws for positions 17 – 64 at the Individual Championships

Players who meet the qualifications for both the First and Second Teams will be named to the First Team All-American

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WOMEN'S ALL-AMERICANS

First Team All-American: The first team All-American represents each Association's top ten players. The players will be listed alphabetically.

Second Team All-American: The second team All-American represents each Association's players ranked 11-20 and will be listed alphabetically.

Placement on the All-American teams is primarily based on the final individual rankings of the season (following Individual Championships).

HARDSHIP WAIVER

Hardship Waiver: The men's or women's Executive Committee may approve a hardship waiver for injury, illness, or the death of a family member that prevents a player from participating in the Individual Championships if he or she would otherwise have been ranked in the top twenty. If the committee does not approve a hardship waiver, Honorable Mention All-American status can be awarded to such players as the Executive Committee decides deserve that honor. Information on injuries and illnesses preventing athletes from participating must be brought to the attention of the Executive Committee by the head coach of the individual (promptly). No appeals from players or parents will be accepted. All appeals must meet the appeal requirements. The Executive Committee's judgment will be final and if the Committee feels a player was intentionally avoiding the event they will rule accordingly.

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Below is the protocol for applying for a hardship waiver:

1. A letter from the player's coach explaining the injury, illness, or death of a family member that prevented him or her from competing in the Individual Championships. An accompanying letter from the player's doctor documenting the medical problem should be included in cases of injury or illness.
2. This information must be emailed to all members of the Executive Committee by the first Wednesday after the completion of the Individual Championships.