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GUIDING BODIES

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EVENTS

MEN: **INDIVIDUAL:**
 18+ (age)
 Skill Levels: Open
 "B-C"
 40+ (age)
 All Skill Levels
 50+ (age)
 All Skill Levels
 60+ (age)
 All Skill Levels

DOUBLES:
 18+ (age)
 Open, "B-C"

WOMEN: **INDIVIDUAL:**
 18+ (age)
 Skill Levels: Open
 40+ (age)
 All Skill Levels
 50+ (age)
 All Skill Levels

DOUBLES:
 18+ (age)
 Open, "B-C"

MIXED DOUBLES:
 18+ (age) All Skill Levels

QUALIFICATIONS FOR PLAYER'S SKILL CLASSIFICATIONS IN THE 18+ AGE CATEGORY

OPEN

Players who are highly skilled and want to compete at the most competitive level. Any player who is currently ranked "Open" by the California Amateur Racquetball Association

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(CARA) or the United States Racquetball Association (USRA). All players who have previously won medals in the 18+ Open division of the United States Police and Fire Championships must compete in this division. Competitors who have won the 18+ "A" division SHALL move up to this division.

"B"

Players of moderate to high skill level. Any player who is currently ranked "B" by either CARA or USRA, or has been AmPro certified at the "B" level, must compete in 18+ "B" category or 18+ Open. Any player who has won the 18+ "C" division in the USPFC SHALL move up to this division. Players with CARA or USRA rankings of "C" should probably enter the 18+ "B" division in the USPFC. Players who have been fairly successful at the "C" level in open tournaments should play in the 18+ "B" division of the USPFC.

"C"

Players of low to moderate skill level. Players with limited tournament experience and success.

THE USPFC AND THE RACQUETBALL SPORT COORDINATOR WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE USPFC DIRECTOR FOR RACQUETBALL, RETAIN THE RIGHT TO PLACE ANY PLAYER INTO A SKILL LEVEL THEY DEEM APPROPRIATE FOR THE PLAYERS ABILITIES.

AGE CATEGORIES

18+ (Open)

Players who are 18 years old or older on the first day of the USPFC. All players regardless of age are eligible and then must enter the appropriate skill level.

40+

Players who are 40 years old or older on the first day of the USPFC. All players who meet the age requirement, regardless of skill level, are eligible to enter this category.

50+

Players who are 50 years old or older on the first day of the USPFC. All players who meet the age requirement, regardless of skill level, are eligible to enter this category.

60+

Players who are 60 years old or older on the first day of the USPFC. All players who meet the age requirement, regardless of skill level, are eligible to enter this category.

Awards will be given in the gender/age categories listed above.

Note: Participants will be allowed to compete in only one singles and one doubles event, not counting mixed doubles. Participants may compete in mixed doubles even if they are playing both singles and doubles in their gender categories.

BRACKETING

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All singles and doubles tournaments will be held as a Group Play Round Robin. The round robin will consist of 4 or 5 players in each pool. After Group Play is completed, players will be placed in a Single Elimination tournament. The number of entrants in each age/skill event category will dictate the format of each tournament. If a category has less than eight competitors, a Round Robin tournament will be held for that division and medals will be determined from the round robin.

GENERAL RULES for Racquetball

Assigned starting time is match time. A 15-minute default rule will be enforced.

All matches will be won by the first side winning two games. The first two games of a match are played to 15 points. In the event each side wins one game, the tiebreaker game is played to 11 points. Any game may be won with a single point differential.