



**2024**

# **WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIP**

**INFORMATION BULLETIN #2**





# SECTION 1: GENERAL INFORMATION

## 1. ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

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## 2. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

*\*All times are local*

### Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Day

All Day Team Arrivals

See Practice Schedule Team Practices (Available Upon Request)

### Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024

All Day Team Arrivals

See Practice Schedule Team Practices (Available Upon Request)

7:30 PM All-Canadian Awards Ceremony  
(Art Gallery of Hamilton)

### Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024

See Practice Schedule Team Practices (Based on Match Schedule)

9:00 PM Technical Meeting (Sheraton Hotel) - TBC

### Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024

See Practice Schedule Team Practices (Based on Match Schedule)

12:00 PM Session #1 – Match 1 & 2

6:00 PM Session #2 – Match 3 & 4

### Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024

See Practice Schedule Team Practices (Based on Match Schedule)

12:00 PM Session #3 – Match 5 & 6

6:00 PM Session #4 – Match 7 & 8

### Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024

See Practice Schedule Team Practices (Based on Match Schedule)

12:00 PM Session #5 - Match 9 & 10

6:00 PM Session #6 – USPORTS Championship Match





### 3. COMPETITION SCHEDULE

**\*\*Note: All games are held at **Burridge Gymnasium****

#### Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024

12:00 PM	Match 1: Quarterfinal #1
2:00 PM	Match 2: Quarterfinal #2
6:00 PM	Match 3: Quarterfinal #3
8:00 PM	Match 4: Quarterfinal #4

#### Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024

12:00 PM	Match 5: Consolation Semi-Final #1
2:00 PM	Match 6: Consolation Semi-Final #2
6:00 PM	Match 7: Semi-Final #1
8:00 PM	Match 8: Semi-Final #2

#### Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024

12:00 PM	Match 9: Consolation Final
2:00 PM	Match 10: Bronze Medal Game
6:00 PM	Match 11: USPORTS Championship Match

### 4. PRACTICE SCHEDULE

#### Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024

10:00 AM – 8:30 PM Team Practices by request (Secondary Gym).

#### Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024

10:00 AM – 10:00 PM Team Practice by request (Secondary Gym)

#### Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024

10:00 AM – 7:00 PM Team Practices determined by tournament schedule. 55min (Secondary Gym) + 55min (Burridge Gym)

10:00 AM – 11:55 AM	Quarterfinal #1
11:00 AM – 12:55 PM	Quarterfinal #1
12:00 PM – 1:55 PM	Quarterfinal #2
1:00PM – 2:55 PM	Quarterfinal #2
2:00 PM – 3:55 PM	Quarterfinal #3
3:00 PM – 4:55 PM	Quarterfinal #3
4:00 PM – 5: 55 PM	Quarterfinal #4
5:00 PM – 6:55 PM	Quarterfinal #4





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**\*Note: Higher Seed has choice on practice slot**

### Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024

<b>6:30 – 10:55 AM</b>	Team Practices; Determined by tournament schedule. 25min (Secondary Gym) + 25min (Burrigde Gym)
<b>6:30 – 7:25 AM</b>	Quarterfinal #1
<b>7:00 – 7:55 AM</b>	Quarterfinal #1
<b>7:30 - 8:25 AM</b>	Quarterfinal #2
<b>8:00 – 8:55 AM</b>	Quarterfinal #2
<b>8:30 – 9:25 AM</b>	Quarterfinal #3
<b>9:00 – 9:55 AM</b>	Quarterfinal #3
<b>9:30 – 10:25 AM</b>	Quarterfinal #4
<b>10:00 – 10:55 AM</b>	Quarterfinal #4

**\*Note: Higher Seed has choice on practice slot**

### Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024

<b>6:30 – 10:10 AM</b>	Team Practices: Determined by tournament schedule 40min in secondary gym + 40min on competition court
<b>6:30 – 7:55 AM</b>	Winner Quarterfinal #1
<b>7:15 – 8:40 AM</b>	Winner Quarterfinal #2
<b>8:00 – 9:25 AM</b>	Winner Quarterfinal #3
<b>9:30 – 10:10 AM</b>	Winner Quarterfinal #4

### Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024

<b>6:30 – 10:10 AM</b>	Team Practices: Determined by tournament schedule 40min in secondary gym + 40min on competition court
<b>6:30 – 7:55 AM</b>	Loser Semi-Final #1
<b>7:15 – 8:40 AM</b>	Loser Semi-Final #2
<b>8:00 – 9:25 AM</b>	Winner Semi Final #1
<b>9:30 – 10:10 AM</b>	Winner Semi-Final #2

**Process:** Tuesday & Wednesday practices are upon request and subject to availability.

**Contact:** T.J. Kelly ([kellyt@mcmaster.ca](mailto:kellyt@mcmaster.ca))





# SECTION 2 PARTICIPATING TEAMS INFORMATION

## 1. ANCILLARY EVENTS

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### A. ALL CANADIAN AWARDS CEREMONY

**Date:** Wednesday, March 13, 2023 at 7:30 PM (Reception begins at 6:30 pm)

**Site:** Art Gallery of Hamilton, 123 King Street West, Hamilton, Ont.

**Reception Space:** Main Lobby & Jean and Ross Fischer Gallery and Lounge

**Awards Room:** The Joey and Toby Tanenbaum Pavilion

**Cost:** First 25 tickets per team \$90 each, all extra tickets \$110 each

**Dress Code:** Semi-Formal

**Distance from Hotel:** 100 meters

Please use the **Team Information Form** to purchase tickets (up to 25 student-athletes, coaches and VIPs per school).

Free tickets are provided to the non-participating All-Canadians and major award nominees (including winners).

Tickets will be provided to non-participating head coaches in attendance at a cost of \$90.00.

**Subject to availability**, additional tickets required for other guests will be \$110.00.

Universities with award nominees/winners, non-participating head coaches and additional guests must confirm their attendance by **Monday, March 11, 2024 at 5:00 pm**.

**Contact:** Maggie Veitch at [veitcm4@mcmaster.ca](mailto:veitcm4@mcmaster.ca)

*There is an athlete-only U SPORTS Championship souvenir apparel item available that will be provided to all participants.*





## 2. MEETINGS

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### A. TECHNICAL MEETING

**Date:** Thursday, March 14, 2024

**Time:** 8:00 PM

**Location:** Sheraton Hotel

**Room:** TBD

**Attendance:** Head Coaches, Convenors, Event Operations, Officials, USPORT Delegate

### B. PRE-TOURNAMENT PRODUCTION MEETING *(if applicable)*

**Date:** Thursday, March 14, 2023

**Time:** 1 hour before Team Practice (Meetings will take ~30 minutes)

**Location:** David Braley Athletic Centre

**Room:** Media Room – Classroom WB113

**Attendance:** Head Coaches and Two Student Athletes

### B. U SPORTS COACHES MEETING *(if applicable)*

**Date:** TBD

**Time:** TBD

**Location:** TBD

**Room:** TBD

**Attendance:** Coaches

### C. OTHER *(if applicable)*

**Date:** TBD

**Time:** TBD

**Location:** TBD

**Room:** TBD

**Attendance:** Athletic Therapists

## 3. MEDIA INFORMATION

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### A. POST-GAME MEDIA CONFERENCE *(if applicable)*

**Date:** After the conclusion of each game

**Time:** 15 minutes following the conclusion of the match

**Location:** David Braley Athletic Centre

**Room:** WB113

**Requirements:** Winning Team Head Coach and One to Two Student Athletes





**Date:** After the conclusion of each game  
**Time:** 10 minutes following the conclusion of the match  
**Location:** David Braley Athletic Centre  
**Room:** Area outside of WB113  
**Requirements:** Losing Team Head Coach

Please contact Maggie Veitch ([veitcm4@mcmaster.ca](mailto:veitcm4@mcmaster.ca)) with any questions.

### **B. MEDIA ACCREDITATION**

Championship media accreditation requests can be made by contacting Jay Barlett ([barlej1@mcmaster.ca](mailto:barlej1@mcmaster.ca)),

### **MEDIA SERVICES**

A designated media area will be provided throughout the championships in classroom WB113 in the David Braley Athletic Center, which is near the lower level of the Burrigge Gymnasium and designated team rooms.

Please contact Jay Barlett at [barlej1@mcmaster.ca](mailto:barlej1@mcmaster.ca) with any questions.

## **4. CHAMPIONSHIP HOTEL**

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### **U SPORTS policy 20.40.3.4.1:**

All participating teams and team personnel attending a U SPORTS Championship requiring accommodation must stay at the U SPORTS Championship designated host hotel.

**Host Hotel:** Sheraton Hamilton Hotel  
**Address:** 166 King Street West Hamilton, ON L8P 4V3  
**Website:** [www.sheratonhamilton.com](http://www.sheratonhamilton.com)  
**Phone:** (905) 317-4515  
**Email:** [elaine.duke-rust@sheratonhamilton.com](mailto:elaine.duke-rust@sheratonhamilton.com)  
**Contact person:** Elaine Duke-Rust (Sales Manager)  
**Rate:** 1 King Bed - \$209.00/person (3 person max)  
2 Queen Beds: \$189.00/person (4 people max)  
**Room Types:** Traditional Guestroom (1 King Bed or 2 Queen Beds)  
**Amenities:**







**Distance from Competition Site:** 5.1km

Please fill out the attached Accommodation & Meals form and send it back to Emerson Kokotec ([kokotece@mcmaster.ca](mailto:kokotece@mcmaster.ca)) by **March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024**.

## 5. TRANSPORTATION

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### A. TRAVEL TO THE CHAMPIONSHIP

Teams are responsible for their own transportation to Hamilton and McMaster University. Below are car rental and bus companies. Please contact them directly to arrange transportation.

#### **Bus Transportation:**

##### **Eastern Charters**

**Iris Gao**

(416)-613-9128

[iris@easterncharter.ca](mailto:iris@easterncharter.ca)

500 Lake Rd, Bowmanville, ON L1C 4P8

#### **Car or Van Rental:**

##### **Enterprise Rent-a-Car**

Taylor Wagner

905-529-5001

[taylor.wagner@ehi.ca](mailto:taylor.wagner@ehi.ca)

203 Main St E, Hamilton, ON L8N1H2

### B. ON-SITE TRANSPORTATION

McMaster University will provide each visiting team with three (3) parking passes per day (Thursday-Sunday) – valid for any lot on campus.

#### **Information on Bus Parking coming in next Bulletin**

Campus bus parking located on concrete pad adjacent to Football stadium and outdoor track

**Please fill out the attached Transportation Form and send it back to TBD by TBD.**





## 6. TEAM REGISTRATION AND ACCREDITATION

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### A. TEAM ACCREDITATIONS

Team accreditation for a team complement of 25, will be available to pick up at the host hotel upon arrival. Student-athlete welcome packages will be placed in team rooms and can be picked up once on-site at the venue.

All tournament participants will be required to wear accreditation passes for access to practice and competition venues and the awards ceremony. Each team will be issued 25 accreditation passes for student-athletes and team staff. A maximum of five (5) VIP passes will be provided to participating teams, including the president and athletic director. VIP passes must only be used as outlined in U SPORTS regulations. These must be ordered in advance but can be picked up at the Will Call at the venue. Non-participating team award winners will receive accreditation.

A maximum of three accreditations are available to non-participating team VIPs including university presidents, athletic directors, and head coaches.

Any additional accreditation passes for participating or non-participating teams must be purchased in advance of the championship at a rate of \$20 per accreditation.

Please contact Brett Hill ([hillb16@mcmaster.ca](mailto:hillb16@mcmaster.ca)) with additional accreditation related questions.

### B. ACCREDITATION PICK-UP

Tournament packages and accreditations will be placed in competing teams designated team room prior to arrival.

All other accreditations may be picked up at the Joan Buddle Service Desk located near the entrance of the David Braley Athletic Center

### C. PARTICIPATING TEAM TICKET INFORMATION

Please fill out the attached Team Accreditation Form and send it back to **Brett Hill** ([hillb16@mcmaster.ca](mailto:hillb16@mcmaster.ca))





## 7. TEAM SERVICES

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### A. TEAM HOST

Each team will have a Team Host designated to their team to assist with general inquiries (facility questions, uniform designations, etc.)

### B. TEAM MEETING ROOM

Team Meeting Rooms will be held at the Sheraton Hotel, located at 116 King Street W, Hamilton ON. The host room names are The Charlton Room & The Ferguson Room. Both will be available for team use during the duration of each team's stay. Room times will be determined closer to the start of the championships,

## 8. SPONSORSHIP

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### A. LOCAL SPONSORS

\*\*More Information to Come\*\*

## 9. TECHNICAL INFORMATION

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### A. VENUE

The Burrige gymnasium features three basketball and three volleyball courts with a wood playing surface. The facility is the competitive venue for McMaster basketball, volleyball and wrestling.

The Burrige gymnasium includes seating for 2,100 including 150 chair back seats, metal halide lighting, scoreboard, shot clocks, videoboard and sound system. McMaster equipment includes a score tables with video and graphic advertising.

The connected Ivor Wynne Centre includes concession area and washroom facilities. The Mezzanine level overlooking the Burrige Gymnasium will be used for hospitality, access to concessions, and display purposes. The Media Gondola above the gymnasium provides space for broadcast and/or technical video.

**Competition Site: Burrige Gymnasium**





<b>Playing Dimensions:</b>	Court – 9m x 18m; Playing Surface – 17m x 32m
<b>Lighting:</b>	1000-watt Metal Halide Lights
<b>Scoreboard:</b>	Nevco 6-player panel board, scoreboard
<b>Floor/Field:</b>	Hardwood
<b>Seating Capacity:</b>	2,100
<b>Team Rooms:</b>	8: each team will be provided a designated team room
<b>Videoboard:</b>	Yes
<b>Parking:</b>	Available on-site

### **B. EQUIPMENT**

The official ball for the U SPORTS Championship will be the Mikasa V200W. The host will provide all game and warm-up balls throughout the tournament.

### **C. UNIFORM LAUNDRY**

Laundry services will be available on site and upon request for team uniforms only (jerseys and shorts), but no personal items. Team hosts will coordinate laundry services on site via the Joan Buddle Service Desk.

Please note that McMaster University does not assume any responsibility for lost, stolen, or damaged property.

### **D. LOCKER ROOMS**

Each team will be provided with a designated team room for the duration of the tournament. Upon arrival, your team host will lead you to your team room.

## **10. MEDICAL SERVICES**

**\*\*More Information to Come\*\***





### 11. HOSPITALITY ROOMS

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#### A. COACHES ROOM 1:

**Location:**

**Room:**

**Opening times:**

#### B. COACHES ROOM 2:

**Location:**

**Room:**

**Opening Times:**

#### C. STUDY/EXAM ROOM:

**Location:** Sheraton Hotel, 116 King Street W, Hamilton, ON

**Room:** Hunter Room

**Opening times:** 8:00 AM

**Other relevant information:** Boardroom with 10-person capacity

## SECTION 3 THE FANS CORNER

### 1. CITY GUIDE

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For where to eat, where to stay and how to make the most of your stay in Hamilton before and after the game, visit the Tourism Hamilton website at:

[www.tourismhamilton.com](http://www.tourismhamilton.com)





## 2. FAMILY & FRIENDS ACCOMODATIONS

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### Homewood Suites by Hilton

40 Bay Street South Hamilton, ON, L8P 0B3

(905) 667-1200

<https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/yhmhwhw-homewood-suites-hamilton-ontario-canada/rooms/>

### Staybridge Suites

20 Carloine Street South Hamilton, ON, L8P 0BI

(905) 527-1001

[https://www.ihg.com/staybridge/hotels/us/en/hamilton/yhmha/hoteldetail?cm\\_mmc=GoogleMaps--SB--CA--YHMHA](https://www.ihg.com/staybridge/hotels/us/en/hamilton/yhmha/hoteldetail?cm_mmc=GoogleMaps--SB--CA--YHMHA)

### Sandman Hotel Hamilton

560 Centennial Parkway North, Hamilton, ON L8E 0G2

[reservations@sandman.ca](mailto:reservations@sandman.ca)

(289) 389-7203

[https://www.sandmanhotels.com/hamilton?utm\\_source=google&utm\\_medium=maps&utm\\_campaign=hamilton](https://www.sandmanhotels.com/hamilton?utm_source=google&utm_medium=maps&utm_campaign=hamilton)

## 3. TICKETING INFORMATION

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Tickets will be sold in a Weekend package and session purchasing. Weekend packages will be live January 9<sup>th</sup> 2024, and session tickets will be live March 11<sup>th</sup> 2024. All Ticketing packages will be available online for purchase at the USPORT Championship website, or at [www.marauders.ca/tickets](http://www.marauders.ca/tickets). Ticket availability can be requested by contacting the box office by email at [tickets@mcmaster.ca](mailto:tickets@mcmaster.ca) or by phone at **905-525-9140 x 23494**.

Walk up sales will be available for purchase online at [www.marauders.ca/tickets](http://www.marauders.ca/tickets), or at the Box office located at the Joan Buddle Service Desk in the David Braley Athletic Centre.

All tickets will be electronic tickets that will be sent to the customer by email or text message.





Ticketing will be available for purchase as a weekend package for all sessions including championship game or by single session. Sessions will be scheduled for two consecutive games with the exception of the Championship game.

### A. SESSIONS

- Session 1: Friday March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Quarterfinals: 12pm & 2pm
- Session 2: Friday March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Quarterfinals: 6pm & 8pm
- Session 3: Saturday March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Semi-Finals: 12pm & 2pm
- Session 4: Saturday March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Semi-Finals: 6pm & 8pm
- Session 5: Sunday March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Consolation & Bronze Match: 12pm & 2pm
- Session 6: Sunday March 17<sup>th</sup>: 2024, Gold Medal Game: 6pm

At the end of each session, the stands will be cleared by staff of any fans that do not have a physical weekend pass. Walk up tickets for the next session will be available for purchase at the Box Office while supplies last.

**\*All tickets will be final sale. There are no refunds.**

### B. TICKET PRICING

#### **Weekend Package ON SALE January 9<sup>th</sup> 2024**

Weekend Package (All Games)- Tournament Pass with QR Code: ticket holder to wear to indicate tournament pass at session change over time so that they do not lose their seat.

- Adult (18+): \$95
- Senior (60+)/Alumni: \$75
- Youth (5+)/Student: \$40

#### **Session and Championship individual passes ON SALE- March 11th, 2024**

\*Session pass (2 games/session), 5 sessions, not including Championship Game\*

- Adult (18+): \$25
- Senior (60+)/Alumni: \$20
- Youth (5+)/Student: \$10

USPORT Gold Medal Game:

- Adult (18+): \$25
- Senior (60+)/Alumni: \$20
- Youth (5+)/Student: \$10





### C. VENUE:

The capacity for the Burrige Gymnasium is 2100 (bleacher seating), with 1400 tickets available for sale to the public. 400 seats will be held for team needs (competing teams: 240, VIP's: 100, Officials, Statistical stats, etc.: 60). Any tickets not being used will be generated back to the general public sale.

Mezzanine Capacity: TBD

### D. WILL CALL/VIP ACCREDITATION:

Will Call and VIP Accreditation pick up will be located via the main entrance level of the David Braley Athletic Centre. Will Call will be opened 2 hours before first match of each day (10AM).

All accreditation information will be kept throughout a live excel document within the internal team. This will be used for lead-up to the tournament as well as provided to will-call staff to use for reference and approval throughout the weekend. Individuals who require or personally request accreditation for the weekend must be approved.

Jay Barlett (Coordinator, Marketing & Communications), Brett Hill (Coordinator, Events & Ticketing), and T.J. Kelly (Manager, Facilities & Events) will be co-owners of the document for population and approvals.

Any new addition and requests for accreditation will be submitted no later than **March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024**. This allows less confusion or discrepancies for will-call staff operating throughout the tournament weekend.

## 4. ON SITE FAN INFORMATION

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### A. ACCESS & PARKING

- Fan Parking will be available in the Stadium Underground, Lot H and accessible parking at the front of the Ivor Wynne Centre
- Both David Braley and the Ivor Wynne Centre offer accessible access into the venue
- Game Day parking rates for Friday March 15th are TBD. Evening and Weekend rates in designated lots is \$8 per entry. No in and out privileges.

### B. SERVICES

- Concessions will be available in venue







# VOLLEYBALL

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- Tournament apparel will be on sale in venue

### C. OTHER

