



2018 NWBT Fact Sheet

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The 2018 National Wheelchair Basketball Tournament (NWBT) presented by ABC Medical is at the Kentucky Exposition Center in Louisville, Kentucky, April 12-15. For more information, please visit the link above.

Divisions & Teams:

- 🌐 Adult Division – 48 teams by rankings
 - Division I – 16 teams
 - Division II – 16 teams
 - Division III – 16 teams
- 🌐 Junior Division – 48 teams by rankings
 - Junior Varsity – 16 teams ranked 1-16
 - Junior Varsity NIT – 16 teams ranked 17-32
 - Junior Prep – 16 teams
- 🌐 If a team does not accept their bid for post season play, invitations will be sent to the next team, in order of ranking, until a tournament is filled.

Tournament Schedule:

- 🌐 The Adult Division I, II and III tournaments will occur on Thursday, April 12 to Saturday, April 14.
- 🌐 The Junior Varsity Division, Junior Prep Division and Junior NIT tournaments will occur on Friday, April 13 to Sunday, April 15.

Competition Venue:

- 🌐 Kentucky Expo Center – South Door
 - 937 Phillips Ln., Louisville, KY 40209
 - Phone: (502) 367-5000
 - Parking Fees:
 - \$8 per day per entry
 - \$12 per day and multiple entry/exit
 - Trailer Parking available in South Wing C in Lot B2
 - No pre-sale of parking passes will be available

Post-Season & Registration Deadlines:

- 🌐 **Adult Division Postseason Timeline – Adult Division I, Adult Division II & Adult Division III**
 - **Thursday, February 1:** Post-Season Application Available
 - **Monday, February 26:** Post-Season Application Due
 - **Wednesday, February 28:** Invites sent to Top 16 Teams



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- **Friday, March 2:** Last Day Bids can be Accepted
- **Sunday, March 18:** Last Day Games are considered for NWBT seeds
- **Tuesday, March 20:** Seeds for NWBT Announced

Junior Division Postseason Timeline – Junior Prep Division, Junior Varsity Division

- **Thursday, February 1:** Post-Season Application Available
- **Monday, February 26:** Post-Season Application Due
- **Sunday, March 4:** Last Day for Qualifying Regional's & Conference Championships
- **Thursday, March 8:** Invites sent to Junior Division teams (including NIT invites)
- **Friday, March 9:** Last Day Bids are Accepted
- **Sunday, March 18:** Last Day Games are Considered for NWBT seeds
- **Wednesday, March 21:** Seeds for NWBT Announced

2018 NWBT Entry Fees:

All Divisions

- \$500 per team with 3 coaches
- Additional team staff is \$50 per person



Entry Fee Invoice

- An invoice for team entry fee will accompany team confirmation emails



Entry Fee Payments

- Payment must be received electronically or at the NWBA office no later than 5 p.m. Monday, March 12, 2018.
- Mail to: Brandon McBeain, NWBA, 1130 Elkton Dr., Suite. A, Colorado Springs, CO 80907


National Rankings:

-  **Adult Divisions:** The final rankings from February 28 will be used to determine the final field of teams.
-  **Junior Division:** The final rankings from March 8 will be used to determine the final field of teams.

2018 NWBT Tournament Rankings & Seeding:

-  **Adult Divisions:** The NWBT Brackets, seeds, and playing schedule will be announced on March 20, and is subject to change.
-  **Junior Division:** The NWBT Brackets, seeds, and playing schedule will be announced on March 21 and is subject to change.

Registration Check-In & Will Call:

-  Kentucky Exposition Center
 - Wednesday, April 11 – 12 p.m. – 9 p.m.
 - Thursday, April 12 – 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.
 - Friday, April 13 – 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.
 - Saturday, April 14 – 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
 - Sunday, April 15 – 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.



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Hotels: (Ask for NWBA Rate)

Host Hotel

- Omni Louisville Hotel
 - 400 S 2nd St, Louisville, KY 40202
 - Phone: (502) 313-6664
- Website: <https://www.omnihotels.com/hotels/louisville>
- Rate: \$149.00 per night
- Reservations:
 - Call 1 (800) THE-OMNI (843-6664)
 - Tell agent group rate for “NWBA 2018 National Tournament”
 - Visit the following reservation link: [Click here to make a reservation at Omni Louisville Hotel](#)

Other Hotels with NWBA Blocks

- The Crowne Plaza Louisville Airport Hotel – **SOLD OUT**
830 Phillips Ln, Louisville, KY 40209
Rate: \$123.00 per night
(502) 367-2251
[Click here to make a reservation at Crowne Plaza Louisville Airport Hotel](#)
- The Courtyard Louisville Airport – **SOLD OUT**
819 Phillips Ln, Louisville, KY 40209
Rate: \$133.00 per night
(502) 368-5678
[Click here to make a reservation at The Courtyard Louisville Airport](#)

Parking:

Downtown Parking

- Please visit [the tournament website](#) “Downtown Parking Information” tab under the “Hotel Information” section for more information.

KEC Parking

- Please visit [the tournament website](#) under the “Kentucky Expo Center Parking” section for more information.



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Uniforms:

- 🏀 Uniforms with digits 0-5 only allowed.
- 🏀 No tape numbers accepted.
- 🏀 T-Shirts permitted with printed digits and color must be the same as team jersey.
- 🏀 **No jerseys with digits 6, 7, 8, or 9 allowed.**

Basketballs:

- 🏀 Adult Divisions (D-I, D-II, D-III)
 - Molten X Series – BGL7X, the official ball of the NWBA
- 🏀 Junior Varsity Division
 - Molten X Series – BGL7X, the official ball of the NWBA
- 🏀 Junior Prep
 - Spalding Rookie Gear Basketball

Referees:

- 🏀 2017-18 NWBA registered referees will be used to officiate all games.
- 🏀 Junior Prep Division
 - 2 referees per game
- 🏀 Junior Varsity Division
 - 2 referees per game until semi-finals
 - 3 referees per game for semi-finals and finals
- 🏀 Junior NIT Games
 - 2 referees per game
- 🏀 Adult Division II and Adult Division III
 - 2 referees per game until semi-finals
 - 3 referees per game for semi-finals and finals
- 🏀 Adult Division I
 - 3 referees per game

Team Practices:

- 🏀 To schedule team practices, contact Luke Westall at lukewestall@nwba.org
- 🏀 Wednesday Practices
 - 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM
 - Open to Adult and Junior Divisions
- 🏀 Thursday Practices
 - 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM
 - Open to Junior Divisions

Ticket Prices:

- 🏀 The 2018 NWBT is a ticketed event for all non-team attendees
- 🏀 [Click here to complete Pre-Order of Entry Tickets](#)
- 🏀 Children (10 and under) free
- 🏀 Pre-Sale Tickets (prior to 11:59 p.m. MST April 3, 2018; available for pickup at Will Call)



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- All Session Tickets
 - Adults - \$26.00
 - Children (11-18 year olds) - \$10.00
- Single Session Tickets
 - Adults - \$15.00
 - Children (11-18 year olds) - \$7.00
- 🌐 On-Site Tickets
 - All Session Tickets
 - Adults - \$32.00
 - Children (11-18 year olds) - \$12.00
 - Single Session Tickets
 - Adults \$19.00
 - Children (11-18 year olds) - \$10.00

Special Events & Showcase Games

Per4Max Shootout presented by Spinergy Wheels:

- 🌐 A shooter's challenge to see who can score the most points in a set period of time from a variety of spots on the floor. Top qualifiers will shoot for the championship.
- 🌐 **Who is eligible:** One player per Junior Varsity and Junior NIT team. The overall winner will receive a Per4Max Sport Chair for the player or team.
- 🌐 **Sign-up at Team Registration**
- 🌐 **When:** Friday, April 13 from 12:00 – 1:30 p.m.
- 🌐 **Where:** Courts 3 & 4

Top End Clinic:

A clinic of skills and drills run by the Top End Representatives and Athletes. All boy's and girl's in grades 9-11 are eligible to sign up for the clinic.

Sign up at the Top End Booth starting on Thursday, April 12 at the Kentucky Exposition Center

Who is eligible: Players in grades 9-11 on Junior Varsity and Junior NIT teams.

- 🌐 **When:** Friday, April 13 from 8:00 – 10:00 p.m.
- 🌐 **Where:** Courts 7-12

Celebrity Game:

An exhibition game involving some of the top wheelchair basketball players in the world, including Paralympians and World Champions. These players will also be joined by local celebrities and members of the Louisville community. All attendees of the NWBT are invited to watch the game and cheer on participants of this fun event.

- 🌐 **When:** Friday, April 13 at 10:00 AM
- 🌐 **Where:** Court 5



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Operation Rebound:

A basketball clinic specifically for all active duty and injured service veterans who are not on a current NWBA team or play for an NWBA team that is not attending the 2018 NWBT. The clinic will aid with chair fitting, instruction from coaches on game fundamentals and an opportunity to compete in a game. Registration is provided on a first come first serve basis.

- 🕒 Registration is free; Participants are responsible for their own travel and lodging costs
- 🕒 **Registration Deadline:** April 2
- 🕒 **When:** Saturday, April 14 from 9:00 AM – 11:30 AM
- 🕒 **Where:** Court 12
- 🕒 Visit [the tournament website](#) “Operation Rebound” tab under the “Competition Information” section to register.

Junior Girls' Player Showcase:

- 🕒 [Click here to register for the Junior Girls' Player Showcase](#)
- 🕒 Registration Fee: \$25.00 per athlete (includes reversible jersey)
- 🕒 A scrimmage game highlighting female players, for students who are only high school juniors and seniors. This is an opportunity for athletes to be noticed by National Team and college coaches to watch the future stars.
- 🕒 **When:** Saturday, April 14, 12:00 p.m.
- 🕒 **Where:** Court 6

High School Senior Boys Game:

- 🕒 [Click here to register for the High School Senior Boy's Showcase](#)
- 🕒 Registration Fee: \$25.00 per athlete (includes reversible jersey)
- 🕒 A scrimmage game highlighting High School senior players and an opportunity for athletes to be noticed by National Team and college coaches to watch the future stars.
- 🕒 **When:** Saturday, April 14, 12:00 p.m.
- 🕒 **Where:** Court 5

Junior Division Banquet:

- 🕒 [Click here to purchase tickets](#)
- 🕒 Tickets on sale until 5:00 p.m. EST on Monday, April 9.
- 🕒 **The Junior Banquet is a ticketed event for all attendees for duration of the event, including dinner/awards/dance**
- 🕒 Attendance – 624 tickets
 - First come, first served.
- 🕒 **When:** Saturday, April 14, 7:00 p.m.
- 🕒 **Where:** Commonwealth Ballroom at the Omni Louisville Hotel
- 🕒 Banquet Agenda
 - Awards Ceremony for Academic Achievers
 - Awards Ceremony for Academic All-American
 - Awards Ceremony for Junior Division Annual Awards
 - Awards Ceremony for Wayne Kunishige Memorial Scholarship
 - Speeches from NWBA Board of Directors, NWBA staff, members of U.S. National Teams



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- DJ and dance floor celebration following awards presentations.
- 🌐 Gifts from the Junior Division Executive Committee
- 🌐 Adult Plates - \$40 per attendee
 - Salad - Mesclun Mix/ Seasonal Berries/ Pecans/ Honey Poppy Seed Dressing
 - Entrée - Roasted Chicken/ Rigatoni/ San Marzano's/ Basil/ Parmesan
 - Dessert - Strawberry Chantilly Torte
- 🌐 Kids Plates (ages 11 and under) \$30 per attendee
 - Chicken Tenders, Mac-n-Cheese, Green Beans, Fruit Cup, House Made Cookie, 2% Milk or Fruit Juice
- 🌐 Gluten Free Plates \$40 per attendee
 - Chef's Choice
- 🌐 Vegetarian Plates \$40 per attendee
 - Chef's Choice

2018 NWBA 3V3 Tournament Registration:

- 🌐 [Click here to register for the 2018 NWBA 3V3 Tournament](#)
- 🌐 Registration Fee: \$35.00 per athlete or \$100.00 per team (includes reversible jersey)
- 🌐 Registration open until 11:59 p.m. MST on Friday, March 30
- 🌐 **When:** 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 12
- 🌐 **Where:** Courts to be determined
- 🌐 The NWBA 3V3 Tournament will feature two divisions:
 - Championship – the competitive division for athletes who are presently playing Adult Division I, NWBA Collegiate Division, and National Team athletes
 - Open Division – the recreation level player who are athletes who may not get a lot of playing time from the three Adult Divisions, Junior Division and Women's Division.
- 🌐 Players that register individually will be placed on teams by the 3V3 Selection Committee. The 3V3 Selection Committee will be comprised of NWBA delegates and divisional leadership. The 3V3 Selection Committee will work to ensure parity for all teams and athletes.
- 🌐 Team prizes will be awarded to 1st and 2nd place. Each athlete on the 1st place team will be awarded a \$80 gift card to the NWBA Shop. Each athlete on the 2nd place team will be awarded a \$40 gift card to the NWBA Shop.
- 🌐 NWBA 3V3 Rules
 - Court and Ball:
 - The NWBA 3V3 Tournament will be played on half of a regulation court with a GL7X ball.
 - Teams:
 - Each team consists of 3 players. There will be no subs available to teams.
 - Game Officials:
 - Games will consist of 1 or 2 referees and a time/score keeper that will be appointed from the individual players representative entry.
 - Pre-game:
 - Both teams shall warm up simultaneously for 5 minutes prior to the game. A coin flip will dictate which teams will get the first possession.
 - Scoring:
 - Every successful shot inside the arc is worth 1 point. Every successful shot outside the arc is worth 2 points. Shooting fouls will result in 2 free throws per foul.
 - Playing time/ Winner:
 - The first team to score 10 points wins.



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- If 10 points are not met in in the 10 minutes of play, the team with the highest score wins.
- If tied at the end of regulation, teams will be given a 1-minute rest.

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- The first team to score 2 points in overtime wins.
- A team will lose the game by forfeit if at the scheduled start time, the team is not present with 3 players ready to play.
- Game score will be marked "W-0" or "O-W".
- A team shall lose by default if it leaves the court before the end of the game or all of the players on the team are injured/disqualified. Winning team can choose to have score kept or have game forfeited.
- A team losing by default or forfeit will be disqualified from the tournament.
- Fouls:
 - A team will be given 3 tiers of fouls. The first 4 fouls (non-shooting) will result in a reset for the team that was fouled. Fouls 5 through 7 will result in an automatic 1 free throw opportunity for the fouled team. The eighth foul and beyond will result in 2 free throws for the fouled team along with possession of the ball.
- How Ball is Played:
 - Following each successful field goal:
 - A player from a non-scoring team will resume the game by dribbling or passing the ball from inside the court directly underneath the basket to a place on the court behind the arc.
 - Following each unsuccessful field goal:
 - If the offensive team rebounds the ball, it may continue to attempt to score the ball without returning the ball behind the arc.
 - If the defensive team rebounds or steals the ball, it must return the ball behind the arc (either by passing or dribbling).
 - Check the ball in after every successful basket.
- Stalling:
 - There will be a 24 second shot clock that will start as soon as it hits the offensive players hands
- Time outs:
 - Each team will get one 30-second timeout.
- Protest:
 - Protests will be discussed with the ref and the scorekeeper will make the final decision.
- Standings of Teams:
 - Most wins
 - Head-to-head
 - Most points scored (average)
- Seeding:
 - Will be determined
- Disqualification:
 - Player with 2 unsportsmanlike fouls will be disqualified from the game.
- Finals:
 - The final championship game will last 20 minutes or to 15 points and will be played with the same rules as stated above.



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2018 NWBT Tournament Schedule:

Wednesday, April 11

Start	End	Activity	Venue	Location
12 p.m.	9 p.m.	Registration Check-In & Will Call	KEC	South Wing C Lobby
12 p.m.	9 p.m.	Team Equipment Dropoff	KEC	South Wing C Lobby
5 p.m.	9 p.m.	Team Practices	KEC	South Wing C Lobby
9 p.m.	10 p.m.	Adult Division Team Reps and Coaches Meeting	KEC	South Wing C112

Thursday, April 12

Start	End	Activity	Venue	Location
8 a.m.	8 p.m.	Registration Check-In & Will Call	KEC	South Wing C Lobby
9 a.m.		NWBT Doors Open for Credential Personnel	KEC	South Wing C Lobby
9:30 a.m.		NWBT Doors Open for Ticketed Attendees	KEC	South Wing C Lobby
9:45 a.m.		NWBT Opening Ceremonies	KEC	Court 3
10 a.m.	7 p.m.	NWBT Games Start - 48 games	KEC	Courts 1-12
7 p.m.		NWBA 3-on-3 Tournament	KEC	TBD
7 p.m.	9 p.m.	Team Practices	KEC	TBD
9 p.m.	10 p.m.	Junior Division Team Reps and Coaches Meeting	KEC	South Wing C112

Friday, April 13

Start	End	Activity	Venue	Location
7 a.m.		NWBT Doors Open for Credential Personnel	KEC	South Wing C Lobby
7:30 a.m.		NWBT Doors Open for Ticketed Attendees	KEC	South Wing C Lobby
7:55 a.m.		NWBT National Anthem	KEC	Court 3
8 a.m.	8 p.m.	Registration Check-In & Will Call	KEC	South Wing C Lobby
8 a.m.	10 p.m.	NWBT Games Start - 72 games	KEC	Courts 1-12
10 a.m.		Celebrity Game	KEC	Court 5
12 p.m.	1:30 p.m.	Per4Max Shootout	KEC	Court 3 & 4
2 p.m.	3:30 p.m.	NWBA Junior Division High School Transition Meeting	KEC	South Wing C112
4:30 p.m.	6 p.m.	ABLENow Presentation	KEC	South Wing C112



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8 p.m. 9 p.m.

Top End Junior's Clinic

KEC Courts 7-12

Saturday, April 14

Start	End	Activity	Venue	Location
7 a.m.		NWBT Doors Open for Credential Personnel	KEC	South Wing C Lobby
7:30 a.m.		NWBT Doors Open for Ticketed Attendees	KEC	South Wing C Lobby
7:55 a.m.		NWBT National Anthem	KEC	Court 3
8 a.m.	5 p.m.	Registration Check-In & Will Call	KEC	South Wing C Lobby
8 a.m.	8 p.m.	NWBT Games Start - 48 games	KEC	Courts 1-12
10 a.m.	11:30 a.m.	ABLENow Presentation	KEC	South Wing C112
12 p.m.		NWBA High School Senior Boys Game	KEC	Court 5
12 p.m.		NWBA Junior Girls' Player Showcase	KEC	Court 6
2 p.m.	4 p.m.	Adult Division II National Championship Game	KEC	Court 3
4 p.m.	6 p.m.	Adult Division I National Championship Game	KEC	Court 3
6 p.m.	8 p.m.	Adult Division III National Championship Game	KEC	Court 3
6 p.m.	8 p.m.	Additional Will Call for 2018 Junior Division Banquet	Omni	Commonwealth 1-5
6:45p.m.		Doors Open for 2018 Junior Division Banquet	Omni	Commonwealth 1-5
7 p.m.		2018 Junior Division Banquet	Omni	Commonwealth 1-5
7:30 p.m.		Doors Open for 2018 NWBA Hall of Fame Banquet	Omni	Commonwealth 6-8
8 p.m.		2018 NWBA Hall of Fame Banquet	Omni	Commonwealth 6-8

Sunday, April 15

Start	End	Activity	Venue	Location
7 a.m.		NWBT Doors Open for Credential Personnel	KEC	South Wing C Lobby
7:30 a.m.		NWBT Doors Open for Ticketed Attendees	KEC	South Wing C Lobby
7:55 a.m.		NWBT National Anthem	KEC	Court 3
8 a.m.	12 p.m.	Registration Check-In & Will Call	KEC	South Wing C Lobby
8 a.m.	4:30 p.m.	NWBT Games Start - 24 games	KEC	Courts 1-12
10 a.m.	12 p.m.	Junior NIT National Championship Game	KEC	Court 3
12 p.m.	2 p.m.	Junior Prep National Championship Game	KEC	Court 3
2 p.m.	4 p.m.	Junior Varsity National Championship Game	KEC	Court 3



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