

WFDF **WMUC 2024**

WFDF World Masters Ultimate Championships

November 9-16, 2024



***WFDF & California Ultimate invite you to join us at
Great Park, Irvine, California, USA***

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Looking forward to hosting you at Great Park!

On behalf of California Ultimate Association (CUA) and the World Flying Disc Federation (WFDF), we want to extend to you and all the Ultimate community a warm welcome to WMUC at Great Park in Irvine, California.

WHO: The WFDF 2024 World Masters Ultimate Championships (WMUC 2024) will feature the world's best Ultimate players in the mixed, women's, and open categories of the master, grand master, and great grand master divisions represented. Partner hotels, sponsors, and local businesses look forward to welcoming the estimated 50+ teams and 1000+ athletes and fans with open arms.

WHAT: In addition to an incredible tournament, there will be entertaining social events and panel discussions taking place throughout the week. The event is an opportunity to bring our critical minds together to discuss how we can grow and improve our sport. Plus we're planning a possible Record-Breaking Event! On Opening Day, all athletes and the general public will be invited to participate in a World Record attempt for the most consecutive flying disc throws (from unique participants). WMUC 2024 is going to be a blast both on and off the field.

WHEN: WMUC 2024 will be held from Saturday, November 9th through Saturday, November 16th over eight (8) days.

WHERE: WMUC 2024 will take place at the gorgeous Great Park — a 1300 acre property built on the former U.S. Marine Corps Air Station El Toro, in Irvine, California. Irvine is a stunningly beautiful city close to a wide array of activities for the whole family. Great Park is just south of Los Angeles in Orange County, and is 20 minutes from two historic amusement parks Disneyland and Knott's Berry Farm, and 12 minutes from breathtaking Laguna Beach.

8 Days

50 Teams

1000 Athletes



Legend

- Open Access Roads
- Parking Lots
- Visitors Center
- Administration Building
- Timeline

Please Note:

- The Great Park is growing! Please check yourgreatpark.org/maps for the latest information.
- Some park roads may be re-routed temporarily during construction. Please follow posted signs within the park.



FOR MORE INFORMATION: On the following pages you will find the details you need to begin the WMUC 2024 registration process. Please pay attention to action points highlighted in ***BOLD ITALIC TYPE***. We've also included some extra details on transportation and accommodation to help you with your decision making and planning. ***However, all teams are strongly reminded NOT to book flights, apply for visas, or reserve hotels until REGISTRATION closes for the event in early January 2024.***

QUESTIONS: Should you have any immediate questions that affect your ability to register your teams, please feel free to reach out to our event team at ***registration@wmuc.sport***. To help build the hype and bring in more sponsors please encourage all of your communities to follow the event on social media.

We look forward to seeing you at WMUC 2024 next November!

YOUR HOSTS for WMUC 2024

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WFDF: <http://www.instagram.com/worldflyingdisc>



Mark your calendar for WMUC 2024!

WMUC 2024 will be an eight (8) day tournament running from Saturday, November 9th to Saturday, November 16th, 2024 inclusive. Should weather cause delays to play, the schedule will be adjusted to ensure the finals are played as scheduled on or prior to day 8. *If severe weather occurs, the schedule or format may also be adjusted and the number of games reduced.*

COACHES', CAPTAINS' & SPIRIT CAPTAINS' MEETINGS

Coaches' & Captains' Meeting and Spirit Captain's' Meeting will each take place on Saturday November 9, 2024 around midday. Each meeting **requires attendance by at least one (1) representative for EACH TEAM**. For capacity reasons attendance is limited to two (2) people per team per meeting.

WORLD RECORD ATTEMPT

We'll be attempting to set a world record for the most consecutive disc throws (by unique participants) on Saturday afternoon, November 9th before the parade of nations and showcase game.

OPENING CEREMONY & SHOWCASE GAME

The Opening Ceremony will take place in the early evening of Saturday November 9th followed by the Opening Showcase Game. Times for the Opening Ceremony and Opening Game will be announced at a later date. ***Each team is expected to participate in uniform in the Parade of Nations and Opening Ceremony. All teams should plan to be able to play a game on Saturday Day 1 if required.***

JERSEY TRADE NIGHT

This event will take place on Thursday November 14th in the afternoon around HQ and Vendor Village. Bring your extra jerseys to trade with other participants!

WMUC PARTY

The official WMUC 2024 party will be Friday night, November 15th. Venue and attire will be announced mid next year.

FINALS & CLOSING CEREMONIES

Finals will be on Friday November 15th and Saturday November 16th, with the medal presentations taking place immediately after each final; and brief Closing Ceremony on the 16th.

TEAMS & DIVISIONS

All WFDF National Federation (NF) members in good standing are invited to participate at WMUC 2024 in Irvine with each NF automatically entitled to register for one (1) bid per division; Master Open (MO), Master Women's (MW), Master Mixed (MX), Grand Master Open (GMO), Grand Master Women's (GMW) and Grand Master Mixed (GMX). Great Grand Master will also be included if more than 6 countries are interested.

Member NF's are requested to fill out the registration for all divisions to which you want to send a team. Based on the interest received, the WFDF Ultimate Committee will allocate bids accordingly. It is important that every member fills out the "expression of Interest" (even if you are not coming) so that bids can be allocated accurately based on the "bid allocation" rules.

The Masters event is open to:

- Male players who are thirty-three (33) years old or older in 2024.
- Female players who are thirty (30) years old or older at the start of the event in 2024.

WMUC 2024 is a National Team event, therefore your team should be a representation of your Nation (not a club team).

There is a chance that not all NF's will get bids for all of the teams that they are interested in sending. WFDF will notify you as soon as the results of the registration per division are known.

Note: Allocation of bids are made based on the WFDF Ultimate Committee rules.



REGISTRATION

NOTE: To register your team, please complete the registration form by using the following link and submit PRIOR to January 15, 2024:

<https://forms.gle/pU3zdM7DwdRESDaS8>

All WFDF Member National Federations (NF) are kindly requested to fill out the registration form to express an interest to participate at WMUC 2024. A bid allocation list will be compiled by the WFDF Events Team using the data collected from registration. WFDF will then make firm bid offers to each NF for each division on January 15, 2024.

Each NF will then have the opportunity to accept or decline the bids offered and to allocate the team contacts for the teams they endorse to fill each bid. Not all teams will be assured a place at the tournament. All responses from NF's should be received no later than January 15, 2024.

A full bid list with countries participating will be published via press release and the event website after the team fees are collected by the due date of January 23, 2024. Please check to see if your team has been selected to participate at WMUC 2024 or if you are on the waitlist.

Please note — adding extra bids, or changing from one division to another after the registration closes is not possible. All NF's are asked to carefully consider their choices when filling out the registration divisions for which you wish to send a team.

DEADLINES

FEE	DEADLINE	NOTE
Accommodations booking opens online for all partner hotels	January 1, 2024	
Online registration ends	January 15, 2024	Return of EOI for National Federations interested in sending teams to play at WMUC
Formal bid allocation	January 15, 2024	Formal bid allocation from WFDF sent to NF's
Invoices sent	January 16, 2024	
Team Fees due	January 23, 2024	Team fees are required to formalize bid acceptance
Teams confirm number of players and guests for invoicing	March 26, 2024	You will be able to increase team size but not decrease after this date. Online registration will open for individual players and team participants
Player & Non-Player Fees due	April 2, 2024	
Last day to book hotel rooms at WMUC 2024 rates	May 1, 2024	The LOC has arranged discounted rates for WMUC participants that will not be available after this date
Final payment of LATE player registration fee	July 1, 2024	Additions to teams/NF after April, 2024
Final roster due	July 1, 2024	No changes after this point

FEE STRUCTURE

***Team, player and non- player fees are due on April 1, 2024.
The current fees are estimated, and may change:***

TYPE OF FEE	COST
REGISTRATION FEE (Online & obligation free)	\$0
TEAM FEE	\$3000
PLAYER FEE	\$290
NON-PLAYER FEE	\$200
LATE FEE (for Players & Non-Players)	\$50

FEE RELATED INFORMATION

WFDF will invoice and collect all fees for WMUC 2024

- All fees are in US DOLLARS (\$). Please ensure your payment is in the correct currency.
- The Team Fee is NOT refundable for any team that withdraws.
- The player fee can be transferred to another player but is NOT refundable (subject to certain exceptions and restrictions).
- All bank fees and transfer charges are at the cost of the payer.
- Any and all outstanding money must be paid in full by bank transfer before the event.
- All fees will be confirmed and clearly outlined AFTER team registration closes

Player Fees include: event accreditation, the player gift package, field and roster access for play, access to all player zones, participation in social events, meetings, access to the party, the opening and closing ceremonies, and of course the possibility of trophies and medals.

Non-playing Team Support Fees are for people traveling and associated with the team (coaches, medics, support, administration and guests) but are not taking the field to play.

They will receive the same benefits as a player but will not be on any roster and are not entitled to play.

Spectators are non-accredited individuals who will not be able to participate with the team or take part in any of the event or team functions



IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS

Once the event bid list is published and your team is registered, we encourage each team to make specific and timely enquiries about obtaining a visa to enter the United States of America. Teams are responsible for obtaining the correct paperwork to visit the U.S. to compete at the WFDF's WMUC 2024 in Irvine.

The LOC cannot provide specific advice on the process, however we do strongly recommend that you get started as soon as possible after having your bid(s) accepted.

The LOC can provide your team manager/administrator with a letter confirming your team's registration at the event. To do so (after teams have registered

and paid their fees) we require confirmation of the following details for all the members of your team:

- **Full name (as shown on passport)**
- **Passport number**
- **Date of birth**
- **Role on team (i.e. player, coach, manager, etc.)**

Please send the information to hospitality@WMUC.sport. It takes at least 5 business days to produce this document. Confirmation letters must be requested at least 8 weeks before the tournament.

Please note: we cannot and will not provide a formal "invitation" to attend the event and non-ability to enter the US is not grounds to request a refund for team and/or player fees.

We recommend EVERY TEAM make specific enquiries to fully understand visa and travel requirements.

LOCAL ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

WMUC 2024

is being organized and run by **Grant Boyd**, with a Local Organizing Committee (LOC) of dedicated key staff including: **David Anderson, James Erdmann, Joanna Whitney, and Laura Paradiso.**

This group is an incredible collection of avid TD's, behind-the-scenes Ultimate pioneers, and event directors. Behind that entire team is the official host organization, California Ultimate Association (CUA).

Over the past seven years CUA has been the driving force behind the organization and delivery of Ultimate tournaments large and small, as well as a handful of creative opportunities aimed at growing the sport across California.

Together the organization is committed to delivering a truly world class, just as we did for WMUC 2023, USAU 2023 Beach Nationals, and USAU 2021 College Nationals.



AIR TRAVEL TO THE LA AREA

Getting to Irvine means flying into the Greater Los Angeles Area which is easy with a variety of international airports to choose from. Notably:

- **LAX:** There are daily direct flights to the Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) from a wide range of cities in the UK, US, Europe, Asia, and the UAE.
- **SNA:** John Wayne Airport (SNA) is only 15 minutes from Irvine and provides good flight options for North American travelers.
- **OTHER:** Other airports are within 90 minutes, and include (from closest to furthest): LGB (Long Beach), BUR (Burbank), and ONT (LA/Ontario which features direct flights from Chinese Taipei).

GROUND TRANSPORTATION

Players & staff will have several ways to get to and around Irvine after landing:

Participants can download and utilize a ride-sharing app to hire a driver to get where they're going. We recommend Lyft and Uber.

Participants can rent a car or van at any of the airports if needed; we will have a WMUC 2024 discount with a few companies to be announced in early 2024.

If enough participants/teams express interest in staying at local hotels and utilizing shuttles between there and the fields, we will make arrangements for that service.

Teams should make enquiries about flights; however no flights should be booked until after the team registration is closed and after WFDF confirms each team on the bid list – this will happen in January 2024.

On site parking: Parking will be available onsite for the normal daily parking rate (to be announced at a later date).

Party Shuttle: Transportation to and from the official party will be provided from 2-3 central pickup zones near our partner hotels; For security reasons, no added pick-ups or drop-offs will be allowed by the shuttle drivers.

MEDICAL & TRAVEL INSURANCE

All event participants (athletes, coaches, and team support) are recommended to obtain travel insurance prior to booking, and health insurance before leaving their home country. The US healthcare system is based on individuals carrying personal insurance. WFDF and the WMUC 2024 LOC do not provide coverage for participants. There are always risks associated with playing Ultimate. Although WMUC 2024 will have medical staff on site to deal with first aid and assess critical injuries, there may be injuries in which players need medical attention that requires emergency visits to local hospitals.

WFDF and the WMUC 2024 LOC kindly request that all players and event participants acknowledge these risks and understand that WFDF and the LOC cannot be held liable for any risk or cost associated with injury or bad health at WMUC 2024. All event participants should consider securing some personal liability coverage by purchasing your own travel and health insurance to make sure you are covered for any medical issues or event cancellations that could arise.

COVID: CUA and WFDF constantly monitor COVID (case rates, variants, vaccine distribution, vaccine and testing protocols, large event best practices, etc) both in the USA and worldwide to make decisions ensuring participants' safety is our #1 priority.

ACCOMMODATIONS

All players and staff are encouraged to stay at one of our host or partner hotels and book through our online links. Booking through our event site has several benefits, including:

- **RATES:** Assures you receive the best possible rate.
- **SERVICES:** Improves more seamless communications with hotel staff to insure you receive all negotiated amenities.
- **CONVENIENCE:** Many of the properties are near the Irvine Spectrum Mall which has many dining and shopping options.
- **BUILDING COMMUNITY:** Helps build trust between the local community and WMUC 2024 organizers, by proving Ultimate has a significant economic impact in their area.

WMUC 2024 will partner with enough hotels to accommodate all participants in rooms that mostly feature two (2) queen beds; however, other options will be available.

We will provide simple online booking links on the WMUC 2024 website for all partner hotels. Deadlines for final reservations and payments, as well as the cancellation terms for each option, will be confirmed at a later date.

Team managers should plan on booking rooms by April 1st, 2024 to lock in the best possible rates. Information on additional off-site hotel accommodation for family and spectators will be found on our website.

What do you need? Your Local Organizing Committee (LOC) is looking for ways to make your tournament experience better. For example, we are exploring daily shuttles to the fields from one of our preferred hotels. If your team is interested in this service or have other specific needs, please reach out to us via an email which will be provided on the hotel booking website.





WMUC 2024 is taking place at Great Park, in Irvine, California, where players will find comfort playing on manicured grass and turf fields. The property can accommodate up to 20 Ultimate fields and the LOC is working to get as many of the matches on grass as possible. Because all of the fields and park amenities are close together; attendees should be able to get anywhere on site in 10 minutes or less. As an added plus, the host hotel is available via car or shuttle bus in 15 minutes or less.

The WMUC 2024's Great Park location is a sprawling complex with diverse amenities, a few of which include: trails, a water park, a carousel, and many play areas for children. To find out more about Great Park and the Irvine area, please visit:

- <https://www.destinationirvine.com/>
- <https://www.visitanaheim.org/>
- <https://www.discoverlosangeles.com/>
- <https://www.visitcalifornia.com/>

OFF THE FIELDS

The tournament is focused on showcasing amazing players from across the globe, while creating a fun-loving, laid back environment. There will be a plethora of food trucks nearby and a variety of local dining options at the

mall across from the fields. A list of options will be provided via the next bulletin after registration closes. The LOC will also provide a menu of enticing side excursions that are fun for teams and/or families, including: theme parks, sporting events, and more. With everything being easily accessible via rental vehicle or shuttle, Irvine is expecting its neighborhoods to be buzzing with WMUC 2024 participants, families.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- Time Zone: PST +00:00 (Pacific Standard Time)
- Language: English
- Currency: US Dollar (\$)
- Voltage: 120 volts AC, 60Hz
- Plug Type: A/B

CLIMATE

The climate in Irvine can be described as Mediterranean: dry summers and more rain in the winter, but normally mild year round. Temperatures generally range between a high of 73°F (23° C) and a low of 53°F (12°C) with clear skies overhead 65% of the time. Because it is fairly close to the ocean, there is a "thrower-friendly breeze" which averages about 6 mph (10km/h).

The World Flying Disc Federation ("WFDF") is the international sports federation responsible for world governance of flying disc (Frisbee®) sports, including Ultimate, Beach Ultimate, Disc Golf, Freestyle, Guts, and Individual Events.

WFDF is a federation of 111 member associations, which represent flying disc sports and their athletes in more than 103 countries. WFDF is an International Federation recognized by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and by the International Paralympic Committee (IPC), and the International University Sports Federation (FISU), a member of the Global Association of International Sports Federations (GAISF), the Association of IOC Recognised International Sports Federations (ARISF), the International World Games Association (IWGA), the International Masters Games Association (IMGA), and the Association for the International Sport for All (TAFISA). **WFDF** is a signatory to the World Anti-Doping Code, and is a registered not-for-profit 501(c)(3) corporation in the state of Colorado, USA. As the international governing body for the sport of flying disc, WFDF has the responsibility for sanctioning world championship and other international flying disc events, establishing uniform rules, and setting standards for and recording of world records. It acts:

- *To promote and protect the "spirit of the game" of flying disc play;*
- *To encourage flying disc play throughout the world and foster the establishment of new national flying disc associations, advising them on all flying disc activities and general management;*
- *To promote and raise public awareness of and lobby for official recognition of flying disc play as sport; and to provide an international forum for discussion of all aspects of flying disc play.*



World Flying Disc Federation sponsors help make events like WMUC possible! Many also provide special offers to our participants.

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You may want to contact our long-term partner distributor in Germany, as they now hot stamp UltraStar discs right in Germany and can also order discs from us, such as Supercolor or Stars. Contact Heiko Kissling, JUMP-and-REACH.com, it may eliminate all your headache about shipping costs, duty and taxes. Email address is Customize@JUMP-and-REACH.com The new Hot Stamp prices are up on the website! You can see them here: www.jump-and-reach.com/customprint175#prices

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GREATEST ULTIMATE BAG was founded in 2016, and is the #1 bag designed by and



for Ultimate lovers, and the official bag of WFDE. AUDL teams and elite club teams around the world. Produced in many sizes (18L, 30L, 45L and 60L), the Greatest Ultimate Bag is jam packed with features such as rain fly protection, roomy cleat compartment, cooler and disc carrying ability. Don't just get your gear to the field. Get there organized and in style with Greatest. The unique organization system keeps smelly socks away from water bottles and muddy cleats away from clean clothes. Contact Roldy Lo at www.greatestbag.com.

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Only the Best

best-quality uniforms and custom performance apparel. A company that proudly puts values and community before profit, VC is the world's top source for quality, design, and all of your Ultimate needs. All teams competing in WFDF events receive a 20% discount on team uniform orders. Contact info@vcultimate.com to start creating your next project. VC Ultimate is WFDF's official apparel partner and designs and produces Ultimate uniforms of the highest quality, and manufactures in both Canada and Europe using recycled fabrics. Contact the VCTeam at www.culminate.com

FLIKULTIMATE is WFDF's Coaching Resource



Partner. Flik helps users plan their training sessions using a huge library of ultimate drills, practice plans, diagrams, videos and theory articles. These materials are written by some of the best players in the world. Flik is working with WFDF to identify new and emerging coaches to provide them with free licenses to access the portal within the Flik website at www.flikulti.com

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