

# PROSPECTUS

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## 6<sup>th</sup> Carrom World Cup

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(USCA)**

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**INTERNATIONAL CARROM FEDERATION  
(ICF)**



# 6TH CARROM WORLD CUP

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## **6th CARROM WORLD CUP**

Organizing Committee of the  
**UNITED STATES CARROM ASSOCIATION (USCA)**

has the honor to invite  
all affiliated member nations of the  
**INTERNATIONAL CARROM FEDERATION (ICF)**

to participate in the tournament, which  
will take place in the technology capital of the world of  
San Francisco Bay Area, California, USA  
from 10th to 17th November 2024

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# 6<sup>TH</sup> CARROM WORLD CUP

## Tournament Committee

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## TITLE OF THE TOURNAMENT

# 6th Carrom World Cup

### AUTHORITY

The 6th Carrom World Cup 2024 will be organized by the United States Carrom Association (USCA) under the authority granted by the International Carrom Federation (ICF).

### DATE

10th November - 17th November, 2024

### VENUE

India Community Center  
525 Los Coches St, Milpitas, CA 95035  
Ph: +1 (408) 934-1130

### ELIGIBILITY

The Carrom World Cup is open to all Registered Players of the member Federations/Associations affiliated with the International Carrom Federation (ICF). Only those affiliated Federations/Associations who have paid membership fees, annual subscription and/or other dues, if any, to the ICF, up to the current year, shall be eligible to enter team and/or individual players in the Tournament. Special Invitees from other nations too are permitted to take part in the events with the approval of the International Carrom Federation.

Every eligible country/federation can field up to 16 players for the World Cup, as per the following composition:

**Men's Team:** 4 Players

**Women's Team:** 4 Players

**Additional Team:** 8 Players (4 men + 4 women) [*Host country: 16 Players*]

NOTE: At least 50% of the players in each category above must be citizens of that country. Minimum age for participation is 12, unless explicitly permitted by the ICF. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to reject any entry without assigning any reason.

The 6th Carrom World Cup will comprise of 4 events, viz. - Open Singles, Open Doubles, Team Event, and Swiss Event. Additionally, there will also be a separate non-world-cup event called US OPEN INVITATIONAL which will be held on the same premises and timeframe as the World Cup, which is open to some of the world cup participants too. The below table summarizes who is eligible to play in which events.

EVENT	Men's Team	Women's Team	Additional Team
Open Singles	✓	✓	✗
Open Doubles	✓	✓	✗
Team Event	✓	✓	✗
Swiss Event	✓	✓	✓
US Open Invitational	✗	✗	✓

### PARTICIPATION FEES

Participation Fees for the 6th CARROM WORLD CUP 2024 would be **USD 450** each for all participants, players and officials alike. Includes entry into all eligible world cup events as well as US Open Invitational.

Each National Federation/Association may remit the participation fees, as detailed above, by **31st May 2024** for all members of the contingent of their respective countries.

Participation fees shall be remitted to the United States Carrom Association through bank transfer, as per the details below:

**Name on the account:** United States Carrom Association

**Name of the Bank:** Bank of America

**Account number:** 004019040460

**Routing number:** 026009593

**Swift code** (for incoming wires in U.S. dollars): BOFAUS3N

### **SUBMISSION OF ENTRIES**

Entries shall be submitted via the Entry Form sent along with the Prospectus (please see last page). Entry Form duly filled shall be returned together with requisite participation fee on or before **31st May 2024** to Mr Mandar Ashtekar, Secretary, USCA & 6th Carrom World Cup ([secretary@uscarrom.org](mailto:secretary@uscarrom.org)), and a copy sent to Mr Vivek Dheesh Narayan, Secretary General, International Carrom Federation ([sgicf2018@gmail.com](mailto:sgicf2018@gmail.com)). All forms should be signed by the President/Secretary of the nominating Federation/Association with their office seal affixed.

### **HOTEL & HOSPITALITY**

Embassy Suites by Hilton Milpitas Silicon Valley

901 E Calaveras Blvd, Milpitas, CA 95035

+1 (408) 942-0400

<https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/milcaes-embassy-suites-milpitas-silicon-valley/>

Complimentary hospitality, i.e. boarding and lodging (Check in 3pm PST on 10th November 2024, check out 11am PST on 17th November 2024) will be provided to all the participants. Breakfast will be at the hotel, Lunch and Dinner will be provided at the tournament venue.

NOTE: For a limited number of players, on a first come first served basis, the same hospitality mentioned above (boarding & lodging for the duration of the World Cup) is available to accompanying family members, at an additional cost of \$450/adult (Free for children <6 years old, \$300/child for ages 6-12). Players who wish to avail this option are advised to contact the organizers directly and well in advance.

### **TRANSPORTATION**

Complimentary transportation to/from San Francisco Bay Area airports (SFO, SJC or OAK) to Hotel will be provided to all participants (Itinerary must be shared with the organizers at least 3 weeks prior to the event). The tournament venue is a short walk from the Hotel, and therefore no transportation will be provided for this purpose.

### **INSURANCE**

All participating Federations/Associations must get Medical Insurance Cover for their players/officials for the period of their participation in the 6th Carrom World Cup before they start for the United States of America from their respective countries.

### **TOURNAMENT FORMAT**

The 6th Carrom World Cup will comprise 4 events, viz. - Open Singles, Open Doubles, Team Event, and Swiss Event. Additionally, there will also be a separate non-world-cup event called US OPEN INVITATIONAL, that participants of the World Cup will be eligible to participate in. Detailed formats for each of these events will be published in a future version of the prospectus closer to the tournament date, a sample is provided below in order to give participants a rough idea.



EVENT	FORMAT
OPEN DOUBLES	<p>Separate categories for Men and Women.            Within each category, single elimination knockouts from Round 1.            All matches will be best of 3 sets. Matches prior to quarterfinals will be played for 8 boards or 25 points, whichever happens first. There will be no board limit for quarterfinals, semifinals, and finals.</p>
OPEN SINGLES	<p>Separate categories for Men and Women.            Within each category, players will be divided into 8 or 16 groups, depending on the total number of players. Every player will play every other player within their group in a full round robin league, after which the top 16 players (eg, topmost player from each group) will move onto the Pre-Quarterfinals. Eliminated players may be required to play for positions.            All matches will be best of 3 sets. Matches prior to quarterfinals will be played for 8 boards or 25 points, whichever happens first. There will be no board limit for quarterfinals, semifinals, and finals.</p>
TEAM EVENT	<p>Separate categories for Men and Women.            All teams will be divided into 4 groups. Every team will play every other team within their group in a full round robin league, after which the topmost team from each group will move onto Semifinals. Eliminated teams may be required to play for positions.            A match between two teams will comprise of three sub-matches, viz. - two singles and one doubles. The team that wins at least 2 of the 3 sub-matches will be deemed as winner of the match.            All matches will be best of 3 sets. Matches prior to quarterfinals will be played for 8 boards or 25 points, whichever happens first. There will be no board limit for quarterfinals, semifinals, and finals.</p>
SWISS EVENT	<p>Mixed gender.            All players will play up to 9 rounds in a Swiss Round Robin (SRR) league. Whoever tops the table at the end of SRR will be deemed as the winner.            Each round will be played as a single game to 8 boards or 25 points, whichever happens first.</p>
US OPEN INVITATIONAL	<p>Mixed gender.</p> <p>Phase 1 (Qualifiers): Will happen in parallel to the World Cup OPEN SINGLES event. Max 96 players. 42 spots reserved for invited US players, plus 42 spots reserved for players from the “Additional Teams” of the world cup (ie, world cup players from any country who will NOT be competing in “Open Singles”), plus 12 spots reserved at organizer discretion.            All players will play 5-7 rounds of SRR depending on the total number of participants, where each round will be played for a single game to 8 boards or 45 minutes or 25 points, whichever happens first. At the end of SRR, top 8 players on the leaderboard will move on to Phase 2.</p> <p>Phase 2 (Knockouts):            The above 8 players will face off against 8 players (4 men + 4 women) eliminated in the quarterfinals of World Cup Open Singles, in the pre-quarterfinals of the US Open Invitational. All matches in Phase 2 will be best of 3 sets, where each set is played for 8 boards or 45 minutes or 25 points, whichever happens first.</p>

## TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

The 6th Carrom World Cup will be an 8-day affair including arrival and departure, starting on Sunday Nov 10th 2024 and ending on Sunday Nov 17th, 2024. Matches will begin on the morning of Monday, Nov 11th 2024. Final schedule will be published in a future version of the prospectus closer to the tournament date, a sample is provided below in order to give participants a rough idea.

DATE	AGENDA
Sunday Nov 10	ARRIVALS & CHECK IN, SIGHTSEEING (Optional)
Monday Nov 11	OPEN DOUBLES (Qualifiers through Semis), OPENING CEREMONY
Tuesday Nov 12	TEAM EVENT (Qualifiers through Semis), WOMEN'S DOUBLES FINALS
Wednesday Nov 13	SWISS EVENT (All rounds), MEN'S DOUBLES FINALS
Thursday Nov 14	OPEN SINGLES (Qualifiers through Men's Quarters / Women's Semis), US OPEN INVITATIONAL - Phase 1
Friday Nov 15	MEN'S SINGLES SEMIFINALS, MEN'S & WOMEN'S TEAM FINALS, US OPEN INVITATIONAL - Phase 2
Saturday Nov 16	WOMEN'S SINGLES FINALS, MEN'S SINGLES FINALS, CLOSING CEREMONY / DINNER GALA
Sunday Nov 17	SIGHTSEEING (Optional), CHECK OUT & DEPARTURE

## RULES / POLICIES

The World Cup will be conducted in accordance with the [Laws of Carrom](#) as adopted by the International Carrom Federation and as per special regulations for the World Cup. Additionally, all participants - players and officials alike - will be required to abide by USCA's [Code of Conduct](#) and [Tournament Rules](#) policies.

## UMPIRING

A panel of distinguished referees, including a designated Chief Referee, will be available during the tournament. However, while key matches will be supervised by dedicated referees, the vast majority of the matches will not have a dedicated referee but instead have floor referees and/or dedicated video cameras. In case of conflicts or matters not covered by the Laws of Carrom, the decision of the Chief Referee shall be final and binding.

## UNIFORM / ATTIRE

All players and managers/coaches must be in proper attire. The name of their respective countries should be printed on the back of their T-shirts in BLOCK CAPITAL letters. The National Federation of each country shall mention the color of uniform in the prescribed entry form. All players and officials are required to wear closed toe shoes during matches, and generally wear attire appropriate for an international sporting event.

## EQUIPMENT

Top of the line tournament grade carrom equipment will be specially manufactured by Synco for the 6th Carrom World Cup.

Board: Synco Limited Edition

Coins: Synco Premia

Powder: Boric Powder

## CONTACT INFO FOR COMMUNICATIONS

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## TOURNAMENT WEBSITE

<http://www.uscarrom.org/cwc2024>

## AWARDS / PRIZES

Top three positions of all events of the World Cup would be awarded suitable prizes/trophies. The US Open Invitational tournament may have cash prizes for winner & runner up (details to be published later). Awards and prizes would be presented at the Closing Ceremony at the end of the event.

## GALA DINNER / PARTY

USCA would be hosting a gala dinner (reserved for officials, volunteers, players and people coming along with them) towards the end of the event for Trophy presentation and entertainment.

## LAST DATE FOR ENTRIES

Last date for receipt of entries for all events is **31st May 2024**.

## CANCELLATIONS / WITHDRAWALS

In case of cancellation or withdrawal of entries:

- If canceled before **30<sup>th</sup> June 2024**, 50% of the amount of the entries will be refunded
- If canceled after **30<sup>th</sup> June 2024**, the full amount of the entries will be kept.

NOTE: In the event a participant is unable to travel to the United States due to the inability to obtain a valid visa *despite their earnest attempt to do so*, special concessions will be made to refund their full entry fees.

## INDEMNITY

In the unfortunate scenario that the 6th Carrom World Cup gets canceled or postponed owing to *Acts of God* or any factors beyond the control of organizers, participation fees will be refunded in full, but tournament organizers or the organizing bodies shall not be held liable for any other losses incurred by participants.



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**Mandar Ashtekar,**

Organizing Secretary, 6<sup>th</sup> Carrom World Cup

# ENTRY FORM



## 6<sup>th</sup> CARROM WORLD CUP

November 10-17, California, USA



Name of the Federation/Association	
Address	
Phone Number	
Email Address	

	Event	Men	Women
1	Singles	1. 2. 3. 4.	1. 2. 3. 4.
2	Team Event	1. 2. 3. 4.	1. 2. 3. 4.
3	Swiss Event	1. 2. 3. 4.	1. 2. 3. 4.
4	Doubles Team #1	1. 2.	1. 2.
5	Doubles Team #2	1. 2.	1. 2.

Name of Team Manager	
Uniform Color	

**Entry Fee: USD 450 per person for all events for players and officials.**

We agree to abide by the Rules and Regulations of the International Carrom Federation and the Tournament's Rules and Regulations.

Signature of President/Secretary:

Date:

