Qualifiers for 24th USCCC Finals:

Updated as of 11/20/2023

This list now pertains to the 24th USCCC Finals. That event is scheduled to begin during March 2024. Qualification determinations (as listed below) for the 24th USCCC will close at the end of the day on 1/15/24.

Qualifications for this event will be determined by players' results from any of 4 types of events:

- (a) prior USCCC Finals,
- (b) the annual USA Invitational tournaments,
- (c) the annual Bringing in the New Year (BITNY) tournaments, and
- (d) the USCF Absolute tournament.

Details for these qualifications, including who currently has obtained such a qualification, are listed below. In all cases, tiebreaking is ignored for the purpose of determining a USCCC qualification, even if tiebreaking was used in the event itself. The word "completed" below always refers to when the relevant top positions in the event are sufficiently known, even if there are still ongoing games in the event.

KEY to the list below:

Name in **bold** = This qualification takes precedence before any duplicate that may follow.

A name not in bold = A duplicate qualification result, listed just for the sake of accuracy but is ignored as a qualification unless the earlier listing is deleted prior to the qualification deadline.

Current qualifiers for the 24th USCCC Finals as of 11/20/2023:

With only 2 months until the final date to earn a qualification for the 24th USCCC Finals, **here is the current list of possible qualifiers**. Please note <u>it is possible for people on this list to lose this qualification</u> if a relevant, more recently started tournament "completes" prior to the end of 1/15/24.

- (1) IM Kyle Biedermann
- (2) SIM Thomas Biedermann
- (3) GM Jason Bokar
- (4) CCM Tim Corkum
- (5) CCM Robert Cousins
- (6) GM Dan Fleetwood
- (7) IM Grayling Hill
- (8) SIM Ken Holroyd

- (9) IM Oliver Koo
- (10) IM Andrew Leonard
- (11) CCM Tom Morrell
- (12) SIM Wolff Morrow
- (13) IM Paul Muljadi
- (14) GM Jon Ostriker
- (15) SIM Dan Perry
- (16) SIM Kenneth Reinhart
- (17) GM Carl Siefring
- (18) CCM Douglas Stewart
- (19) SIM William Tseng
- (20) CCM John Walton

The following list shows how the above listed people earned their current qualifications, only showing the events that are likely to be applied to determining the qualifiers in January 2024.

- I. Based on being a prior USCCC champion from any of the most recent 5 "completed" USCCCs:
 - (1) 19th: Wolff Morrow, Carl Siefring
 - (2) 20th: Grayling Hill
 - (3) 21st: Oliver Koo
 - (4) 22nd: Thomas Biedermann, Kenneth Reinhart
 - (5) 23rd: Thomas Biedermann, Robert Cousins
- II. Based on being a USA player who scores within the top 5 of the two most recently "completed" USA Invitational section As:
 - (1) 2020: Carl Siefring, **William Tseng**, **Dan Perry**, **Ken Holroyd** [unless the 2022 event "completes" before 1/16/24 qualification deadline]
 - (2) 2021: [started 6/30/21, to date qualifiers are **Dan Fleetwood**, **Kyle Biedermann**, **Jason Bokar**, & Kenneth Reinhart; a possible addition is Neil Kulick] Cross Table (iccf.com)
 - (3) 2022: [started 6/30/22; not yet completed; qualifiers to date include Wolff Morrow, **Jon Ostriker**, Dan Perry] <u>Cross Table (iccf.com)</u>
 - (4) 2023: [started 6/30/23; not yet completed] Cross Table (iccf.com)

- III. Being 1 of the top 3 players from one of the two most recently "completed" BITNY section As:
 - (1) 2020: qualifications by Wolff Morrow, Kyle Biedermann, [qualifications by Daniel Parmet & Laurence Bonsack used for 2022]
 - (2) 2021: Andrew Leonard, Paul Muljadi, Tom Morrell
 - (3) 2022: [in progress, started 1/31/2022; not yet completed; qualification to date by **Douglas Stewart**, still possible is Denny Marbourg or Paul Muljadi] <u>Cross Table (iccf.com)</u>
 - (4) 2023: [in progress, started 1/31/2023; not yet completed] Cross Table (iccf.com)
- IV. Being any USA player who scores within the top 2 of the two most recently "completed" USA Invitational section Bs
 - (1) 2021: [no USA player scored in the top 2]
 - (2) 2022: [no USA player scored in the top 2]
 - (3) 2023: [started 6/30/2023; not yet completed] Cross Table (iccf.com)
- V. Being a winner in either of the two most recently "completed" BITNY section Bs
 - (1) 2021: (Both players' qualifications already used.)
 - (2) 2022: Robert Cousins
 - (3) 2023: [started 1/31/2023; not yet completed] Cross Table (iccf.com)
- VI. Winner(s) of the USCF Absolute tournament completed since the most recent USCCC Finals.
 - (1) 2022: Tim Corkum, John Walton
 - (2) 2023: [in progress; started 3/1/2023; not yet completed] Cross Table (iccf.com)
- VII. [This category will be used only to fill in slots if any remain after above qualifiers are offered placement into finals, to be offered in the order listed.] Placed 2nd in any of the 5 most recently "completed" USCCC finals:
 - (1) 23rd: (none, as two people placed first)

- (2) 22nd: Larry Parsons, Thomas Williams, Andrew Leonard, & Kyle Biedermann
- (3) 21st: Grayling Hill, Daniel Woodard
- (4) 20th: Larry Parsons
- (5) 19th: Kenneth Holroyd, **William Fuller**