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20 SEPTEMBER - 23 SEPTEMBER 2025





NEW ZEALAND U13 & U17 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS 2025

VENUE	Badminton Canterbury 220 Pages Road Wainoni, Christchurch 8062
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TIMES OF PLAY	Sat 20 Sept 9am – All Events (U17s only) Sun 21 Sept 9am – All Events (U13s and U17s) Mon 22 Sept 9am – All Events (incl Semi-Finals) Tue 23 Sept 10am – All Events (Finals) The schedule is subject to change at the discretion of the referees and event director based on final entries.
ENTRY FEES	One Event \$65 Two Events \$95 Three Events \$125 Entry fees must be paid via PayPal at the time of entering.
ONLINE ENTRY	All entries must be submitted online and paid for at the following link: https://badminton.org.nz/event/new-zealand-u13-u17-national-championships-2025/ Entries close Wed 3 Sept 2025 at 11:59pm

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

All players submitting entries for the tournament will be deemed to have read and accepted the conditions under which the tournament events are to be conducted.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 1. Players entering must be a member of an Association affiliated with Badminton New Zealand. All players must be in good standing with their member association and Badminton New Zealand.
- 2. Players must be a New Zealand Player which is defined as "a person who holds any of the following: A New Zealand Passport, Citizenship, Residency or NZ BWF number. In the case of Residency, a player must have resided continuously in New Zealand for a minimum of one year." Badminton New Zealand may request documentation to confirm this status.
- 3. Players who have been granted eligibility by Badminton New Zealand to play in a New Zealand Inter-Association team as a New Zealand player are also eligible to compete in the competition.
- 4. All players must meet the following age requirements to be eligible to compete in the respective age group:
 - 4.1. Under 13s must be born between 2013 and 2015.
 - 4.2. Under 17s must be born between 2009 and 2012.
- 5. Any person coaching during a match, including intervals, must meet the requirements of the Badminton New Zealand Accredited Coaches policy. Any person not meeting these criteria who refuses the request of the referees or event director to stop coaching may be referred to the Badminton New Zealand disciplinary panel.
- 6. The tournament will be conducted in accordance with the Laws of Badminton adopted by the Badminton World Federation (BWF). This event will be played using the Alternative Service Law 9.1.6.
 - 6.1. The whole shuttle shall be below the server's waist at the instant of being hit by the server's racket. The waist shall be considered to be an imaginary line round the body, level with the lowest part of the server's bottom rib.
 - 6.2. The shaft and the racket head of the server's racket at the instant of hitting the shuttle shall be pointing in a downward direction.
- 7. Players will be required to umpire or line judge at the discretion of the referees or event director. There is an Umpire of the Championships to be determined by the referees.
- 8. All players must wear regulation badminton attire as per Badminton New Zealand Approved Clothing regulations: https://badminton.org.nz/b/uK.

- 8.1. Doubles partners are encouraged to wear the same colour clothing.
- 8.2. Non-marking shoes must be worn.
- 8.3. A player who wears a shirt that displays a name, club, association, or country must display their own name and the club, association, or country they represent. Playing shirts displaying a country other than New Zealand are not permissible.
- 8.4. Event shirts produced and sold by Badminton New Zealand are permitted to be worn.
- 9. YONEX AS20 Shuttles will be used.
- 10. All Championship matches shall be the best of 3 games to 21 points with extension.
- 11. Division 2 and 3 will be offered in all events, subject to minimum entries.
 - 11.1. Players who do not win their first Championship match will progress to Division 3.
 - 11.2. Players who do not win their second Championship match will progress to Division 2.
 - 11.3. The draw and scoring format for Division 2 and Division 3 matches will be decided at the discretion of Badminton New Zealand. If a player defaults, withdraws or retires (does not complete) in any Championship match, they are not eligible for Division 2 or Division 3.
- 12. The referee's decision on all questions as to the Rules of Play and the Laws of Badminton will be final.

13. Entries

- 13.1. Entries are online only at https://badminton.org.nz/event/new-zealand-u13-u17-national-championships-2025/
- 13.2. Phone, text, email or hand-written entries will not be accepted.
- 13.3. Entries close **Wed 3 Sept 2025** at **11:59pm**. No late entries will be accepted.
- 13.4. Only entries for which an entry fee has been paid can be accepted. Entry fees must be paid via PayPal at time of entering.
- 13.5. A doubles entry is not confirmed until an entry and the entry fees are received from both players (this excludes "partner required" entries).
- 13.6. Notification of withdrawal(s) with reason must be given immediately to the Event Director by email. If a withdrawal arises after players have arrived at the venue, notification of the withdrawal must be made in person to the referees. A player may withdraw from individual events without being required to withdraw from all events unless the player cites COVID-19 as the reason for their withdrawal.

- 13.7. There will be no replacements in singles. Replacements in doubles and mixed doubles events after the draw is published may be allowed only with the approval of the referees. Replacement players can only be sought from players already entered in the tournament. Only one player in each pair can be replaced. If two players from two different pairs in the same event are put together, the placement of the new pair shall be at the position of the pair seeded in the highest seeding group. If none of the pairs are seeded, or seeded in the same seeding group, the position shall be drawn by lot between positions of the two original pairs.
- 13.8. A confirmed list of entries will be published on Fri 5 Sept 2025.

14. Seeding and Draw

- 14.1. The draw will be made on **Mon 8 Sept 2025** by Badminton New Zealand. The seedings will be from the New Zealand Under 13 and Under 17 National Rankings respectively as at Tue 4 Sept. The Badminton New Zealand seeding policy will apply to this event.
- 14.2. Badminton New Zealand will make the draw in accordance with the Competition Rules of the BWF.
- 14.3. The draw will be published on **Thu 11 Sept 2025** and will be available on https://badminton.org.nz/event/new-zealand-u13-u17-national-championships-2025/
- 14.4. The schedule will be available by Tue 16 Sept 2025.

15. General

- 15.1. All players enter at their own risk; no responsibility will be accepted for any injury received during the tournament.
- 15.2. Drug Testing may be conducted during the Tournament.
- 15.3. Matches may be called up to 10 minutes ahead of the stated time on the playing schedule.
- 15.4. Players will be entitled to a 20-minute rest period between Championship matches. For Division 2 and Division 3 matches, the organisers will endeavour to provide rest periods, but these are not guaranteed.
- 15.5. Competitors must abide by all decisions of the Event Director and referees and comply with all directions given.
- 15.6. The referees may default players not available when required to play.
- 15.7. Trophies will be awarded to the Winner and Runner-Up in all Championship events.

16. Privacy and Consent

16.1. Submitting an entry represents your giving consent in accordance with the Privacy Act 1993 to the collection of your personal information by Badminton New Zealand

- for the purpose of entering this tournament. Your right to access and correct any information is acknowledged.
- 16.2. By entering this event, the player hereby agrees to and acknowledges that any person shall have the right to: photography and/or record on video all and any games or practice conducted during the course of the event, retain such photographs or video recordings for their own use of whatsoever nature, distribute such photographs or video recordings to any other party, display such photographs or video recordings during the event or any time thereafter, in any form whatsoever (including, but not limited to: promotional displays of the organisers and/or the sponsors of the event or any similar event, social network internet sites, the website(s) of the organisers and/or sponsors of the event and of Badminton New Zealand) provided that no such photographs or video recordings shall be used or retained for any illegal, immoral or unseemly use or purpose.