



COUNTIES MANUKAU

U13 OPEN

12th – 13th September 2026

This is a Badminton New Zealand Tier 12 – Group A Sanctioned Event

12th September (Saturday), 8:30 am – 6 pm | *Doubles & Mixed (Inc plates & finals)*

13th September (Sunday), 8:30 am – 6 pm | *Singles (Inc plates & finals)*

Venue: Counties Manukau Badminton Association, 41r Elliot Street, Papakura

Entries can only be made online via www.badminton.org.nz or www.countiesbadminton.co.nz and is considered complete upon payment.

Entries close at **23:59** hours on **4th September 2026** (Friday)

Tournament Contacts: (09) 299 8042, donna@countiesbadminton.org or send us a message on <https://www.facebook.com/countiesbadminton>.

Note: By entering this event, the player hereby agrees and acknowledges that any person shall have the rights to:

- a) Photograph and/or video record all and any games or practice conducted during the course of the event;
- b) Such photographs or video recordings may be retained for their own use, distributed to any other party, displayed during the event or any time thereafter, in any form whatsoever, provided that no such photographs or video recordings shall be used or retained for any illegal, immoral or unseemly use or purpose.



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GENERAL CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. It is expected that players will have read, and are familiar with the 'Conditions of Entry' prior to submitting an entry.
2. Any player entering must be a member of, and in good standing with an Association affiliated to Badminton New Zealand or the Badminton World Federation.
3. The rules of play shall be those of the Badminton World Federation.
4. The BWF scoring system is to be used.
5. This event will be played using the Alternative Service Law 9.1.6:
 - a) 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; and
 - b) 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.
6. All questions as to the rules shall be resolved by an appointed tournament official.
7. Code Alpha Black or equivalent feather shuttles will be used.
8. The tournament organisers and/or Referee reserve the right to:
 - a) Cancel any event in which fewer than 8 entries are received, or if time does not permit a full competition to be played.
 - b) Change the scoring of Plate events if time constraints require.
 - c) Default a player who is not available to play at the scheduled time.

SEEDINGS AND DRAW

1. The tournament seedings will be from the Badminton New Zealand National Rankings in the relevant age category available at the date of entries closing.
2. The draw and schedule will be published by 9th September (Wednesday), and will be available on www.badminton.org.nz and www.countiesbadminton.co.nz.

PLAYER REQUIREMENTS

1. Players entering the Under 13 age group in 2026 must be born between 2014-2017.
2. Players must report to the Tournament Controller upon arrival and must obtain permission to leave the hall.
3. Players will be defaulted if they are not on court ready to play within 5 minutes of being called.
4. Players must wear regulation Badminton clothing and non-marking shoes.
5. All players must act as umpires or line judges when requested. Failure to do so may result in the player being defaulted.
6. Players compete at their own risk. No responsibility will be accepted for any injury received during the tournament.



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7. Following one warning for misconduct, the appointed tournament official shall have the authority to disqualify a player from further play if there is a repeat of misconduct.

ENTRY DETAILS

1. Entry can only be made online and must be received no later than 23.59pm on 4th September (Friday). Online entry is available via: www.badminton.org.nz and www.countiesbadminton.co.nz.
2. Entry for Doubles and Mixed Doubles is not confirmed until the entry and the entry fee of both players is received (except for 'partner required' entries) prior to the closing date.
3. Players withdrawing after the close of entries will receive a refund of entry fees, less any administration fees, only on the submission of a medical certificate. No refunds will be made for withdrawals after the tournament has commenced.
4. A player may withdraw from individual events without being required to withdraw from all events.
5. There will be no replacements in Singles events.
6. Substitution is only allowed in the doubles events from players already entered in the tournament and must be approved by the Referee. Only one Player in each Pair in the draw can be substituted. 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.
7. Players compete at their own risk. No responsibility will be accepted for any injury received during this tournament.
8. Plate events will be played in each category of this tournament if numbers are sufficient. Plate entry is automatic for those who lose their first match. Players wanting to withdraw from the Plate events must advise the Tournament Organiser immediately after their first match. If a player defaults, withdraws or retires (does not complete) their first match, they are not eligible for the Plate event.
9. A \$10 administration fee will be deducted from all eligible refunds.
10. A compulsory BNZ player levy of \$17 is included in the 'one event' entry fee.

ENTRY FEES

1. First Event: \$40 per player (includes \$17 BNZ compulsory player levy)
2. Second Event: \$30 per player
3. Third Event: \$20 per player

ENTRY FEE PAYMENT

1. Please enter online through Pay Pal
2. Allow at least two working days for payments to be processed through the Pay Pal system.



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3. The entry fee must be in Counties Manukau Badminton Association's Pay pal account by 7th September (Monday) at 11:59 pm, or the player will be withdrawn from the event, even if the online entry was received by the closing time/date.

WITHDRAWAL CLAUSE

1. The following withdrawal criteria are applicable in all sanctioned event draws with eight (8) or more entries:
 - a. During the round robin stage and/or prior to the quarter-final stage, a player may withdraw or retire from an individual event without being required to withdraw from any other event.
 - b. Once a player has qualified for the knockout stage of any event, or from the quarter-final stage (whichever occurs first), any retirement or withdrawal from one event shall require the player to be withdrawn from all other events in which the player is entered, including events still in group play.
 - c. ***Exception:** If a player withdraws or retires from an event with less than eight (8) entries, they are not required to withdraw from any other event in which they are entered.

PRIZES

1. A minimum of \$860 vouchers/prizes plus medal and certificate for the winners and finalists of each main event subject to a minimum of entry numbers.

	BS	GS	BD (per pair)	GD (per pair)	XD (per pair)
Winner	\$80	\$80	\$120	\$120	\$120
Runner-Up	\$50	\$50	\$80	\$80	\$80

2. A minimum of certificate will be presented to the winners and finalists of each plate events of each category.
3. Prize presentation will be conducted at the end of each day, Doubles & Mixed on Saturday and Singles on Sunday.

COACHING REGULATIONS

U13: Coaching is not permitted during any match, including intervals. Any person coaching during a match who refuses the request of the referee or tournament director to stop coaching maybe referred to the Badminton New Zealand disciplinary pane.