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NEW ZEALAND

***SENIOR***

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

**NORTH HARBOUR**

6 - 9 August

# NEW ZEALAND NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026

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## 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. Any player 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, Study Visa, Work Visa, or a New Zealand BWF Number." Additionally, a player must have resided continuously in New Zealand for a minimum of six months prior to the close of entries, unless an exemption is granted by Badminton New Zealand. Badminton New Zealand may request documentation to confirm this status.
3. The tournament will be conducted in accordance with the Laws of Badminton adopted by the Badminton World Federation (BWF) and the BWF Competition Regulations, including the Alternate Service rule 9.1.6 "
  - 3.1. *The whole of the 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.*
  - 3.2. *The shaft and racket head of the server's racket at the instant of hitting the shuttle shall be pointing in a downward direction.*
4. All players must be born in 2011 or earlier.
5. All matches shall be the best of three games to 21 points with extension as per the current BWF scoring.
6. Clothing
  - 6.1 All players must wear regulation badminton attire as per [Badminton New Zealand Approved Clothing regulations](#).

- 6.2 Badminton New Zealand will issue a fine of \$30 including GST to players for each violation of the clothing code as reported by the event referee.
  - 6.3 Doubles partners must wear shirts and shorts (or equivalent articles of clothing) of the same colour and similar design throughout a match, from the quarter-final stage onwards. Prior to quarter-finals, doubles partners are encouraged to wear the same colour clothing.
  - 6.4 Non-marking shoes must be worn.
  - 6.5 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.
7. RSL Black Shuttles (Speed 78) will be used.
  8. There will be no plates in any events.
  9. The Referees decision on all questions as to the Rules of Play and the Laws of Badminton will be final.
- #### 10. Entries
- 10.1. Entries are online only at: <https://badminton.org.nz/event/national-championships-2026/>
  - 10.2. Phone, fax, text, email or hand-written entries will not be accepted.
  - 10.3. Entries close Wed 22 July 2026 at 11:59pm. No late entries will be accepted.
  - 10.4. Only entries for which an entry fee has been paid can be accepted. Entry fees must be paid via PayPal at time of entering.
  - 10.5. A doubles entry is not confirmed until an entry and the entry fees are received from both players (this excludes 'partner required' entries).
  - 10.6. A confirmed list of entries will be published on <https://badminton.org.nz/event/national-championships-2026/> by Friday 24 July 2026.
- #### 11. Withdrawals
- 11.1. Notification of withdrawal(s) with reason must be given immediately to the Event Director by email and can be supported by a medical certificate. If

withdrawal arises after players have arrived at the venue, notification of withdrawal accompanied by supporting documentation must be made in person to the Referee.

- 11.2. If a player withdraws after the closing date, the entry fee will not be refunded unless a medical certificate is submitted to the Event Director or Referee at the time of withdrawing. A \$15 administration fee will be deducted from all refunds. No refunds will be given for withdrawals once the draw is published.
- 11.3. 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 Referee. 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.

12. The following withdrawal criteria are applicable in all events draws with eight (8) or more entries:

12.1. 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.

12.2. 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.

### 13. Seeding and Draw

- 13.1. The draw will be made on Friday 24 July 2026 by Badminton New Zealand. The seedings will be from the New Zealand Senior National Ranking list as of 21 July. The Badminton New Zealand seeding policy will apply for this event.

13.2. Badminton New Zealand will make the draw in accordance with the Competition Rules of the BWF.

13.3. The draw will be published on Tuesday 28 July 2026 and will be available on: <https://badminton.org.nz/event/national-championships-2026/>

13.4. The schedule will be available by Friday 31 July 2026.

#### 14. Doping Control

14.1. Badminton New Zealand works in partnership with the Sport Integrity Commission to promote and manage compliance with the Sports Anti-Doping Rules maintained by the Sport Integrity Commission, and any amendments to or replacements of those Rules.

14.2. Doping control in badminton is conducted out-of-competition and in-competition with the collection of urine and/or blood samples and may be undertaken at this event.

14.3. For more information about anti-doping, please visit the Sport Integrity Commission website: <https://sportintegrity.nz/integrity/anti-doping>.

#### 15. Badminton Integrity

15.1. Section 2.4 of the BWF Statutes (Code of Conduct in Relation to Betting, Wagering and Irregular Match Results) relates to anti-corruption, and this code applies to all participants at this tournament.

15.2. To protect the integrity of Badminton New Zealand sanctioned tournaments, participants are not allowed to bet in any way on badminton matches, must respect the principle of fair play, and shall not attempt to influence the course or result of a game or match.

15.3. For clarification, a participant includes but is not limited to; all players, coaches, technical officials, event staff and volunteers who are connected to the tournament.

15.4. Every person has an obligation to report to Badminton New Zealand any approaches by anyone to gather inside information or to change the outcome of matches.

15.5. For more information, please visit the BWF website:

<https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-match-fixing-overview/>.

## 16. Media

16.1. By entering this event, the player hereby agrees and acknowledges that any person, shall have the right to: photograph 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 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."

16.2. Matches in this event may be live-streamed.

16.3. Players must make themselves available for up to 30 minutes of media engagement, as requested, during the event. This may include photographs, interviews and any other reasonable requests of the organisers.

## 17. General

17.1. All players enter at their own risk; no responsibility will be accepted for any injury received during the tournament.

17.2. Matches may be called up to 10 minutes ahead of the stated time on the playing schedule.

17.3. Players are entitled to a minimum of 30 minutes rest between matches.

17.4. Competitors must abide by all decisions of the Event Director and Referee, and comply with all the directions given.

17.5. The Referee may default players not available when required to play.

17.6. Trophies will be awarded to the Winner and Runners-Up in all championship events.

17.7. Following the event, prize money will be deposited into the nominated bank account provided by the recipient.

17.8. In the situation that prize money is not awarded to semi-finalists due to minimum entries not being reached, prize money will be reallocated equally to other events.

17.9. The prize money won by any player with debt to Badminton New Zealand will first be allocated to clear that debt before any remaining balance paid to the player.

17.10. Submitting an entry represents your giving consent in accordance with the Privacy Act 1993 to the collection of the above details by Badminton New Zealand for the purpose of entering this tournament. Your right to access and correct any information is acknowledged.