



NORTH HARBOUR OPEN/NORTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026 FRIDAY 13 – SUNDAY 15 MARCH HARCOURTS COOPER & CO BADMINTON NORTH HARBOUR CENTRE

Schedule of Play:	Friday from 2.00pm	Men's & Women's Singles/Mixed Doubles
	Saturday from 9.00am	All events including quarter finals
	Sunday from 9.00am	Semi Finals all events
	Followed by	Finals all events

Entries can only be made via ONLINE ENTRY at:
Badminton New Zealand – www.badminton.org.nz
Badminton North Harbour – <https://bit.ly/NHOPENNICHAMPS2026>

Entries close 23:59 Wednesday 25 February 2026

Late entries or entries without payment will not be accepted
The draw will be available on the Badminton North Harbour & Badminton New Zealand websites
from Tuesday 10 March 2026

Tier 14

Tournament Director – Lisa Schmidt
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Referee – Julie Carrel
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North Harbour Open - Conditions of Entry 2026

GENERAL

1. It is expected that players will have read and agree 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 a member of an affiliated member of the Badminton World Federation.
3. The laws of play and scoring should be as per the laws of badminton outlined by the Badminton World Federation ([overview of rules and scoring](#))
4. Players will be entitled to a minimum break of 30 minutes between matches.
5. All questions as to the rules shall be resolved by the referee.
6. RSL Tourney shuttles will be used.
7. There will be no plate events in this tournament.
8. The tournament will be seeded using the latest Badminton New Zealand National Rankings available as at the date of entries closing.
9. The draw and schedule will be available on the Badminton New Zealand and Badminton North Harbour websites from **Tuesday 10 March 2026**.
10. The tournament director and/or Referee reserve the right to:
 - Cancel any event in which fewer than 8 entries are received, or if time does not permit a full competition to be played.
 - Default a player who is not available to play at the scheduled time.

PLAYER REQUIREMENTS

1. Matches will be scheduled to time and may be called up to 10 minutes prior to the scheduled time. Players must be ready to play when called to court.
2. Players must wear regulation badminton clothing as per the Badminton [New Zealand Approved Clothing](#) regulations.
3. If the Player Name is on the Player shirt it must comply with the BWF regulations, including the size of the lettering and the name must match the Surname/Family name as showing in the draw.
4. All players must act as umpires or line judges when requested. Please check the websites prior to the session for player umpires (if needed).
5. Players compete at their own risk. No responsibility will be accepted for any injury received during this tournament.
6. Players must be born in 2011 or earlier to participate in this event.

ENTRY DETAILS

7. Entry can only be made online and must be received no later than 23:59 on Wednesday 25 February 2026. Online entry can be made through <https://www.bnh.org.nz/north-harbour/north-harbour-open/> and www.badminton.org.nz
8. Entries for doubles and mixed doubles will not be accepted unless full payment is received from both partners by the closing time/date. This excludes 'partner required' entries. It is not the responsibility of Badminton North Harbour to follow up entries from nominated un-entered partners.
9. Players withdrawing after entries have closed will not be eligible for a refund unless a medical certificate is submitted at the time of withdrawal. No refunds will be made for withdrawals after the tournament has commenced.
10. There will be no replacements in the singles events.
11. 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 group, the position shall be drawn by lot between the positions of the original pairs.
12. A \$10 administration fee will be deducted from all refunds.



13. A BNZ player levy of \$17.00 is compulsory and is included in the 'one event' entry fee.
14. Prior to the quarter-final stage, a player may withdraw from an individual event without being required to withdraw from other events in which the player is entered.
15. From the quarter-final stage onwards, where a player is entered in more than one event, retirement from or withdrawal in any one event shall require the player to be withdrawn from all other events in which the player is entered.
16. Players may withdraw from individual events without being required to withdraw from all events.

SERVING

This tournament 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.
- b. The shaft of the racket head of the server's racket at the instant of hitting the shuttle shall be pointing in a downward direction.

ENTRY FEES

Entry fees are to be paid via Paypal as part of your online entry. Entries will not be accepted into the draws until payment is made and received.

ONE EVENT:	\$55.00 per player (includes \$17 BNZ compulsory player levy)
TWO EVENTS:	\$85.00 per player
THREE EVENTS:	\$110.00 per player

PRIZES

\$2500.00 prize money will be offered subject to the event receiving a minimum of 50 unique entries into the tournament. Prizegiving will be held at the completion of the event.

Semi-finalists will only be awarded prize money if there is a minimum of 8 entries (pairs for doubles) in the event. Players will be awarded this at the conclusion of the semi-finals.

Where prize money is not awarded due to a minimum entry not being reached, that prize money will **NOT** be reallocated proportionately across all other events .

	MS	WS	MD*	WD*	XD*
Winner	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250
Runner-up	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$150
Semi-finalists	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50
*per pair					

Player points will be awarded in the New Zealand National Rankings.
Drug testing may be conducted at this event.

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 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."

