

PARA BADMINTON WHEELCHAIR NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026

VENUE	Badminton Canterbury 220 Pages Rd, Wainoni, Christchurch
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TIMES OF PLAY	Sat 19 September 9am – 1pm – All singles events 2pm – 6pm – All doubles events <i>The schedule is subject to change at the discretion of the referee and event director based on final entries.</i>
ENTRY FEES	One Event \$30 Two Events \$50 <i>Entry fees will be invoiced and must be paid prior to the tournament.</i>
ONLINE ENTRY	All entries must be submitted online and paid for at the following link: https://badminton.org.nz/event/nz-para-wheelchair-championships-2026/ Entries close Friday 4 September 2026 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. This tournament is open to any player with a physical impairment that meets any of the WH1 and WH2 para badminton classification criteria from the BWF. Classifications can be found online: <https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/para-badminton/>.
2. If a player has been classified by the BWF, they must play in that classification class.
3. Players will not be formally classified at the tournament; however, Badminton New Zealand reserves the right to change the classification of any player who has not undergone a formal classification process.
4. The combinations in doubles events are restricted to '3 points', as below:
 - 4.1. Allowed: WH1 & WH1, WH1 & WH2
 - 4.2. Not allowed: WH2 & WH2
5. If fewer than four entries are received in a particular event, Badminton New Zealand reserves the right to combine classifications and/or genders into one or more event(s), as determined most appropriate.
 - 5.1. The BWF Para Badminton regulations for event combination will be followed; however, this may not always be possible give the aim to provide players with a minimum of three matches per event.
 - 5.2. Men and women may be combined into one event.
6. A winner of each classification will only be determined should at least four players with the same classification compete in the tournament overall.
7. All players must be born in 2011 or earlier.

8. All matches shall be the best of three games to 21 points with extension as per the current BWF scoring.
9. Clothing:
 - 6.1 All players must wear appropriate clothing for badminton as set out under Article 2 in the New Zealand Clothing Code.
 - 6.2 All other articles of the New Zealand Clothing Code do not apply to this event, but may do in future years so players are encouraged to familiarise themselves.
 - 6.3 Non-marking shoes must be worn.
10. Feather shuttles will be used.
11. Events will run a round robin stage is followed by a playoff stage, unless otherwise determined by Badminton New Zealand. The intent is to provide at least three matches per player per event entered.
12. The Referees 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/nz-para-wheelchair-championships-2026/>
 - 13.2. Phone, fax, text, email or hand-written entries will not be accepted.
 - 13.3. Entries close **Friday 4 September 2026 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 confirmed list of entries will be published on <https://badminton.org.nz/event/nz-para-wheelchair-championships-2026/> by **Tuesday 8 September 2026**.
14. Withdrawals
 - 14.1. Notification of withdrawal(s) with reason must be given as soon as practically possible to the Event Director by email prior to the start of the tournament.

- 14.2. If a player withdraws after the tournament has commenced, 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.

15. Seeding and Draw

- 15.1. The seeding for the event will be determined by Badminton New Zealand.
- 15.2. The draw will be made on **Wednesday 9 September 2026** by Badminton New Zealand.
- 15.3. Badminton New Zealand will make the draw in accordance with the BWF Para Badminton regulations as far as practically possible.
- 15.4. The draw will be published on **Thursday 10 September 2026** and will be available on: <https://badminton.org.nz/event/nz-para-wheelchair-championships-2026/>
- 15.5. The schedule will be available by **Monday 14 September 2026**.

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."

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 20 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. Medals will be awarded to the Winners and Runners-Up in all events played.
 - 17.6.1. Medals will also be awarded to the Winners and Runners-up of classifications that are combined, where entries into each classification are four or more.
- 17.7. 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.