



## Badminton Competition Details

### Rules

Unless otherwise stated in these rules, normal badminton rules apply as outlined by the Badminton World Federation (BWF) Official Badminton Rules . All rules are open to the interpretation of the referee and their decision is final.

### Team Composition & Player Requirements

- 1) Team sizes are limited to 4 players in Mixed Competitions.
  - a) Maximum of 2 Male players and 2 Female players per team.
- 2) The minimum number of players required on the court for a match to commence or continue is 2.
  - a) In Mixed competitions 1 player must be male and one player must be female.
- 3) Each time is required to provided a competent person associated with the team to assist with scoring the match.
  - a) Players participating in a match can also score the match
- 4) Matches are conducted without a dedicated match referee
  - a) Players are expected to abide by the rules and make honest calls in the spirit of sportsmanship, player integrity and mutual trust and respect between players & teams.
  - b) If there is a disagreement that can not be resolved between players, teams should approach the designated Griffith Sport staff member overseeing all of the matches to help mediate or make a final decision.

### Game Duration

- 1) Matches will consist of 3 sets with first to 11 points.
  - a) A set is won by the team that is the first to score 11 points by a lead of at least 2 points.
  - b) All sets must be completed within the 20 minutes of match time.
    - i) If time expires before the final set has been completed the set will be won by the team that has the most points.
    - ii) If points are equal or no team has at least a 2 point lead then the set will not be counted.
  - c) The team that wins the most number of sets in a match is award the winning round points for the game.
    - i) If both teams have won the same number of sets then the match is considered a draw.
  - d) Griffith Sport reserves the right to alter game duration and format of the matches in the tournament pending the competition sizes and court availability.
- 2) No clock stoppages will be made except under exceptional circumstances at the discretion of the referee or Griffith Sport.
- 3) If a game commences late (and is not deemed a forfeit) or delayed at any point throughout (Injury treatment) then it still must finish at the scheduled time. If such a circumstance arises, the halves may be shortened. This is at the discretion of Griffith Sport.

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## Substitutions

- 1) No substitutions allowed during a match. The same doubles pair must play together for the duration of the games that consist a single match.
  - a) The players that make up the on courts doubles team can be substituted in between matches so long as the doubles pair consists of 1 male and 1 female player.
  - b) An individual on a team must have played in a round match to be eligible to play in any finals matches.
  - c) An individual can be substituted during a match due should an injury occur.
    - i) Should such a substitution occur then the injured substituted player can not take part in any further matches for the duration of the competition.
    - ii) All injured player substitutions must adhere to the playing requirements set up in the Team Composition & Player Requirements.

## Uniform Requirements

- 1) All players on a team must wear the matching uniforms in accordance with their University Sports Department requirements.

## Competition Format

- 1) Round Points Scoring  
Points are awarded in matches as follows:
  - a) Winning team - 3 points
  - b) Drawn match - 2 points per team
  - c) Losing team - 1 point
  - d) Forfeited team - 0 points
  - e) Bye - 3 points
  
- 2) Round Progression
  - a) Teams with the most number of round points will progress through to the elimination matches.
  - b) Where there is a tie in points the following progression of tiebreakers will occur:
    - i) Points difference (for and against)
    - ii) Highest for score
    - iii) Head to Head results between the teams concerned
  
- 3) Drawn Matches
  - a) No extra time will be played for drawn matches in round games and each team will be awarded the drawn match points.
  - b) In finals or progression matches if the set score is equal at the conclusion of normal time and no team is leading by at least 2 points in the third set then the match will continue.
    - i) The first team to obtain a 2 point lead in overtime will win the set.

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## 4) Forfeit Matches

- a) A forfeit will be declared 5 minutes after the scheduled start time of a match if either team is unable to commence play.
  - i) If at any point during the match that a game can not continue due to a team not meeting minimum player numbers then the match will be declared a forfeit.
- b) The forfeit score for a set is 11 – 0.

## Disciplinary

- 1) Referees have the right to warn, ask to leave or eject from the field, any player or spectator whom they believe is bringing the game into disrepute.
- 2) Additional sanctions or suspensions can be applied to players, spectators or teams in accordance with the [Griffith Sport Disciplinary Regulations](#) for breaches of the rules of the game or failure to adhere to the [Griffith Sport Pride Code of Behaviour](#).