



## **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 2 players in Mixed Competitions.
- 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.

### **Substitutions**

- 1) No substitutions allowed. The same doubles pair must play together for the duration of the competition.



## **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.

### **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](#).