

WELLINGTON NORTH (B, C, D) CHAMPIONSHIPS 11 - 13 October 2024

Tournament Organiser

Wellington North Badminton www.wnba.org.nz

Venue

Wellington North Badminton Stadium Taylor Park, 24 Tawa Street Tawa, Wellington

Entries can only be made via ONLINE ENTRY here:

WN BCD Championships 2024 | Badminton New Zealand (tournamentsoftware.com)

Entries close 11.59pm Wednesday, 2 October 2024

Late entries or entries without payment will not be accepted.

Tournament Director

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CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

Please read and take special note of entry and fee payment requirements.

1. RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 1.1. It is expected that players will have read and are familiar with the 'Conditions of Entry' prior to submitting an entry.
- 1.2. The rules of play shall be those of the Badminton World Federation.
- 1.3. The BWF scoring system is to be used.
- 1.4. All questions as to the rules shall be resolved by an appointed tournament official.
- 1.5. Feather shuttles will be used.
- 1.6. The tournament organizers' and/or Referee reserve the right to:
 - 1.6.1. Cancel any event in which fewer than 8 entries are received, or if time does not permit a full competition to be played.
 - 1.6.2. Change the scoring of plate events if time constraints require.
 - 1.6.3. Default a player who is not available to play at the scheduled time.
- 1.7. This event will be played using the Alternative Service Law (1.8. & 1.9.)
- 1.8. 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 an imaginary line around the body, level with the lowest part of the server's bottom rib.
- 1.9. The shaft and the racket head of the server's racket at the instant of hitting the shuttle shall be pointing in a downward direction'.

2. Eligibility

- 2.1. Any player residing in the Capital Region (south of Paekakariki and Upper Hutt) is eligible to enter this tournament.
- 2.2. This tournament will be played across three grades:
 - 2.2.1. B Grade: any player who has competed and/or named:
 - 2.2.1.1. in a Team WN or other association's Central Regions in 2024
 - 2.2.1.2. in a Team WN or other association's Junior U17 or above squad in 2024
 - 2.2.1.3. in a Team WN or other association's Masters squad (except Division 1 Master squads)
 - 2.2.2. C Grade: Experienced club players and any player who has competed and/or named:
 - 2.2.2.1. in a Team WN or other association's Vets/Super Vets squad in 2024
 - 2.2.2.2. in a Team WN or other association's Junior U15 squad in 2024
 - 2.2.3. D Grade: Beginner with little experience and any player who has competed and/or named:
 - 2.2.3.1. in a Team WN or other association's Junior U13 squad in 2024
 - 2.2.4. Grading above is for guidance only, all matters in relation to grading and merit of a player will be determined solely by the Tournament Director.
 - 2.2.5. Winners of respective grades in 2023 must enter the next grade above in 2024 (e.g. if you have won a D grade event in 2023, you must enter in the C grade competition in 2024).
 - 2.2.5.1. Winners in B grade events in 2023 cannot enter in the event in which they won (e.g. if you won B grade mixed doubles in 2023, you cannot enter in B grade mixed doubles in 2024, however

- you can enter in the other disciplines which you did not place first).
- 2.2.6. Any player who has competed and/or named as followed are NOT eligible to enter in this competition unless given permission from the tournament director:
 - 2.2.6.1. in a Team WN or other association's Senior Division 3 or above squads in 2024.

3. SEEDINGS AND DRAW

- 3.1. The tournament will be seeded using the most recent Badminton New Zealand National Ranking in the Senior category listing at the time of draw for B Grade Events only. C and D Grade Events will not be seeded.
- 3.2. The draw will be made on Wednesday, 9 October and will be available on the Wellington North Badminton websites.
- 3.3. The first day's schedule will be available by Wednesday, 9 October on the above websites.
- 3.4. Final schedule will be determined based on number of entries for each event.

9:00am Friday, 11 October	All Singles Events
8:30am Saturday, 12 October	All Doubles Events
8:30am Sunday, 13 October	All Mixed Doubles Events

4. ENTRY DETAILS

- 4.1. Entry can only be made online and must be received no later than 23:59 on Wednesday, 2 October. Online entry can be made through TOURNAMENT SOFTWARE LINK
- 4.2. 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 the tournament organiser to follow up entries from nominated un-entered partners.
- 4.3. Players withdrawing after entries have closed will not be eligible for a refund unless a medical certificate is submitted at the time of withdrawal.
- 4.4. There will be no refunds for players withdrawing after the draw has been published.
- 4.5. There will be no replacements in the singles events.
- 4.6. Replacements in doubles and mixed doubles events after the draw is published may be allowed only with the approval of the tournament director or referee.
 Replacement players can only be sought from players already entered in the tournament.
- 4.7. A \$15 administration fee will be deducted from all refunds.
- 4.8. Plates may be played in all events: Men's Singles, Women's Singles, Men's Doubles, Woman's Doubles, and Mixed Doubles depending on entry numbers. Plate entry is automatic for losers of their first match. Players wishing to withdraw must advise the Tournament Director immediately after their first match loss. If a player defaults, withdraws or retires (does not complete) their first match they are not eligible for the plate.

5. ENTRY FEES

- 5.1. Can only be paid via Tournament Software.
- 5.2. Entry is only accepted once payment has been made before entry closing date.

5.3. The cost for entry is:

First event: \$30

Second event: additional \$20 Third event: additional \$10

- 5.4. Non-member surcharge: there is a surcharge of \$20.00 for players who are not Wellington North Badminton Association members in 2024.
 - 5.4.1. WN membership via being a Team WN representative player, holding an annual stadium pass, holding a monthly stadium pass for 3 or more consecutive months, 2024 membership to one of the clubs that is operating at our stadium.

6. PLAYER REQUIREMENTS

- 6.1. Players must ensure that the tournament director is advised if they wish to leave the playing venue. Players who have lost matches may be required to umpire even after they have finished their events.
- 6.2. Players will be defaulted if they are not on court ready to play within five (5) minutes of being called.
- 6.3. Players must wear regulation badminton clothing as per the Badminton New Zealand Approved Clothing regulations.
- 6.4. All players must act as umpires or line judges when requested. Failure to do so may result in the player being defaulted. Please check the websites prior to the session for player umpires (if needed).
- 6.5. Players compete at their own risk. No responsibility will be accepted for any injury received during this tournament.
- 6.6. 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.

7. Covid-19

- 7.1. Wellington North Badminton Association will be following the COVID-19 requirements as advised by the New Zealand Government, Ministry of Health, and Sport New Zealand throughout this tournament. Such requirements may include, however, are not limited to face coverings and personal hygiene etc.
- 7.2. Wellington North Badminton Association reserves the rights to suspend, postpone or cancel the tournament in line with these requirements.
- 7.3. If a player returns a positive test result for COVID-19; is awaiting on a test result; deemed a household contact or in self-isolation at the start of the tournament, this

- player needs to advise the tournament organiser and shall be withdrawn from the tournament. The player shall be entitled to a refund of entry fees (minus admin fee as stated in clause 3.8.), and their partners shall receive a refund for the affected events if a suitable substitute is not available.
- 7.4. We will provide players with a full refund of their entry fee if the tournament is suspended or cancelled, however, will not consider financial reimbursement of any other costs related to the tournament.
- 7.5. If the event is postponed Wellington North Badminton Association will automatically transfer each participants entry and entry fee to the new date. If a player wants to withdraw their entry, they may do so following standard withdrawal processes online before the new closing date.
- 7.6. We reserve the rights to disqualify any player from the tournament who are deemed to have disregarded any reasonable instruction related to the Wellington North Badminton Association's COVID-19 response. This includes, but is not limited to wearing of masks, contact tracing and social distancing. Further guidance can be found under News and Updates on our website:

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