



# **WELLINGTON NORTH JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS 25-26 September 2023**

**Open & Social Grades**

## **Tournament Organiser**

Wellington North Badminton

[www.wnba.org.nz](http://www.wnba.org.nz)

## **Schedule of Play**

Monday 25 September, 9am – 5pm – U13 & U17, Prize Giving

Tuesday 26 September, 9am – 5pm – U15 & U19, Prize Giving

Final schedule will be determined based on number of entries for each event.

## **Venue**

Wellington North Badminton Stadium

Taylor Park, 24 Tawa Street

Tawa, Wellington

## **Entries can only be made via ONLINE ENTRY:**

[WN Junior Championships 2023 | Badminton New Zealand \(tournamentsoftware.com\)](http://WN Junior Championships 2023 | Badminton New Zealand (tournamentsoftware.com))

Entries close 11.59pm Wednesday, 13 September 2023

Payment must be received by Friday, 15 September 2023

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. Any player entering must be a member of, and in good standing with Wellington North Badminton Association.
- 1.3. The rules of play shall be those of the Badminton World Federation.
- 1.4. The BWF scoring system is to be used.
- 1.5. All questions as to the rules shall be resolved by an appointed tournament official.
- 1.6. Feather shuttles will be used.
- 1.7. The tournament organizers' and/or Referee reserve the right to:
- 1.8. Cancel any event in which fewer than 8 entries are received, or if time does not permit a full competition to be played.
- 1.9. Change the scoring of plate events if time constraints require.
- 1.10. Default a player who is not available to play at the scheduled time.
- 1.11. This event will be played using the Alternative Service Law 9.1.6.
  - 1.11.1. 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.
  - 1.11.2. 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 junior player currently affiliated to Wellington North Badminton is eligible to enter this tournament, and/or
- 2.2. Any junior player currently attending any school within the Wellington North Badminton catchment (north of Ngaio and south of Paekakariki) is eligible to enter this tournament.
- 2.3. Any junior player currently affiliated to Badminton Wellington or Badminton Hutt Valley are **NOT** eligible to enter this tournament.
- 2.4. This tournament will be played across 4 age groups:
  - 2.4.1. Under 13: players must be under 13 years of age and a minimum of 8 years of age as of 31 December 2023, i.e. born in between 2011 and 2015.
  - 2.4.2. Under 15: players must be under 15 years of age as of 31 December 2023, i.e. born in 2009 or later.
  - 2.4.3. Under 17: players must be under 17 years of age as of 31 December 2023, i.e. born in 2007 or later.
  - 2.4.4. Under 19: players must be under 19 years of age as of 31 December 2023, i.e. born in 2005 or later.
- 2.5. This tournament will be played across two grades:
  - 2.5.1. Open Grade: players who are currently in a Team WN (junior and/or senior) squads.
  - 2.5.2. Social Grade: players who are **NOT** in a Team WN squad. Players who currently play badminton in school or attend our Shuttle Time programmes are encouraged to enter in this grade.
  - 2.5.3. All matters in relation to grading and merit of a player will be determined solely by the Tournament Director.

### 3. SEEDINGS AND DRAW

- 3.1. The tournament will be seeded using the most recent Badminton New Zealand National Ranking in the respective age group category listing at the time of draw for Open Grade Events only. Social Grade Events will not be seeded.
- 3.2. The draw will be made on Wednesday, 20 September and will be available on the Wellington North Badminton websites.
- 3.3. The first day's schedule will be available by Saturday, 23 September on the above websites.

### 4. ENTRY DETAILS

- 4.1. Entry can only be made online and must be received no later than 23:59 on Wednesday, 13 September 2023. Online entry can be made here: [WN Junior Championships 2023 | Badminton New Zealand \(tournamentsoftware.com\)](https://www.tournamentsoftware.com)
- 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: Boys' Singles, Girls' Singles, Boys' Doubles, Girls' 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 be paid via Tournament Software or bank transfer below:
  - 5.1.1. Allow at least two working days for payments to be processed through the banking system.
  - 5.1.2. The entry fee must be in the Wellington North Badminton Association's bank account no later than Friday, 15 September 2023 or the player will be withdrawn from the event, even if the online entry was received on time.

**Wellington North Badminton Junior Members: \$15.00** per event  
(including Junior Rep Squads, Shuttle Time Programme participants, and Junior club members)

**Or \$30.00 for all events**

**Non-Members Surcharge: \$10**

- 5.1.3. Please pay by direct credit to Wellington North Badminton account:  
**02-0500-0025167-00**
- 5.1.4. Enter Particulars as '23WNJC' and Reference as 'Player's Name'

- 5.1.5. *Parent name or bank account number does not identify the player – if your system does not allow entry of alpha characters then use your contact phone number as per your online entry. When entering on-line indicate your payment date.*

## **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: [www.wnba.org.nz](http://www.wnba.org.nz)