



Wellington North  
Badminton

## ABCD DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIPS

### 1-2 November 2025

#### Tournament Organiser

Wellington North Badminton  
[www.wnba.org.nz](http://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:**

[Wellington North ABCD Doubles Championships 2025 | Badminton New Zealand](#)

Entries close 11.59pm Monday, 20 October 2025

Late entries or entries without payment will not be accepted.

#### Tournament Director

Kristina Ponte Towgood  
[kristina@wnba.org.nz](mailto:kristina@wnba.org.nz)

# 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 15-point scoring system is to be used. All matches are best of 3 games to 15, with extension up to 21 points. i.e. 16-14, 21-20.
- 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 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 who is a paid-up member of WNBA of 2025 season or anyone residing in the Capital Region (South of Paekākāriki and Upper Hutt) is eligible to enter this tournament.
- 2.2. This tournament will be played across four grades:
  - 2.2.1. A Grade: any player can enter in this open grade, for players who has competed and/or named:
    - 2.2.1.1. in a Team WN or other association's Senior Division 1-4 Team in 2025
    - 2.2.1.2. in a Team WN or other association's Junior U19/17 or above squad in 2025
    - 2.2.1.3. in a Team WN or other association's Masters Division 1-2 Team in 2025
  - 2.2.2. B Grade: any player who has competed and/or named:
    - 2.2.2.1. in a Team WN or other association's Central Regions in 2025
    - 2.2.2.2. in a Team WN or other association's Junior U17/U15/U13 or above squad in 2025
    - 2.2.2.3. in a Team WN or other association's Masters squad (except Division 1 / 2 Master squads)
    - 2.2.2.4. in a Team WN or other association's Vets/Super Vets Division 1-2 Team in 2025
  - 2.2.3. C Grade: Experienced club players and any player who has competed and/or named:
    - 2.2.3.1. in a Team WN or other association's Vets/Super Vets squad in 2025
    - 2.2.3.2. in a Team WN or other association's Junior U13 squad in 2025
  - 2.2.4. D Grade: Beginner with little experience and any player who has competed and/or named:

- 2.2.4.1. in a Team WN ShuttleTime programme or other association's Junior ShuttleTime programme
- 2.2.5. 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.
- 2.2.6. Winners of respective grades in 2024 must enter the next grade above in 2025 (e.g. if you have won a D grade event in 2024, you must enter in the C grade competition in 2025).
- 2.2.6.1. Winners in B grade events in 2024 and 2023 must enter in A grade.
- 2.2.7. Any player who has competed and/or named in the past two years, in a representative Team must play accordingly to the criteria applied above. (i.e. if you played Senior Division 3 in 2023, you must play A grade in 2025).

### 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 A and B Grade Events only. C and D Grade Events will not be seeded.
- 3.2. The draw will be made on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> October or earlier and will be available on the Wellington North Badminton websites.
- 3.3. The first day's schedule will be available by Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> of October on the above websites.
- 3.4. Final schedule will be determined based on number of entries for each event.

8.30am Saturday, 1 <sup>st</sup> November	A and C Grade
8.30am Sunday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	B and D Grade

### 4. ENTRY DETAILS

- 4.1. Entry can only be made online and must be received no later than 23:59 on Monday the 20<sup>th</sup> of October. Online entry can be made through [TOURNAMENT SOFTWARE LINK](#).
- 4.2. Players withdrawing after entries have closed will not be eligible for a refund unless a medical certificate is submitted at the time of withdrawal.
- 4.3. There will be no refunds for players withdrawing after the draw has been published.
- 4.4. Entries for 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.
- 4.5. Replacements in 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.
- 4.6. A \$15 administration fee will be deducted from all refunds.

### 5. ENTRY FEES

- 5.1. Can only be paid via Bank Transfer.
- 5.2. Entry is only accepted once payment has been made before entry closing date.
- 5.3. The cost for entry is \$25.00 per person for Wellington North Badminton Association Members.

- 5.4. Non-member surcharge: there is a surcharge of \$10.00 per person (ie \$40) for players who are not Wellington North Badminton Association members in 2025.
  - 5.4.1. WN membership via being a Team WN representative player, holding an annual stadium pass, a direct member of WNBA, 2025 membership to one of the Association clubs (Monday Club, Saturday Club and Junior Clubs) that is operating at our stadium (including Shuttle Time)
- 5.5. Allow at least two working days for payments to be processed through the banking system.
- 5.6. The entry fee must be in the Wellington North Badminton Association's bank account no later than Tuesday, 21st October 2025 or the player will be withdrawn from the event, even if the online entry was received on time.
- 5.7. Please pay by direct credit to **Wellington North Badminton account: 02-0500-0025167-00**

Enter Particulars as 'ABCDdoubles2025' and Reference as 'Player's Name'  
*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.*

## 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.