



## NATIONAL MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIPS

### Regulations

#### Tournament Information

##### Venue

Sport Wales National Centre, Sophia Gardens Cardiff, CF11 9SW

##### Key Dates

Entry Closes | Monday 22nd April 2024

Draw Published | Wednesday 1st May 2024

Event | Saturday 4th May 2024

##### Events & Age Groups

Men's Singles | Women's Singles

Men's Doubles | Women's Doubles

Mixed Doubles

Age groups | Over 35s, 40s, 45s, 50s, 55s, 60s and 65s.

*Players can play in a lower age group but not in a higher age group.*

*Players must have reached the required age for the categories entered by 31 December 2023.*

*If there are not enough entries in any of the age group players will be given the opportunity to play at a lower age group.*

***The maximum number of events a player can enter is four (maximum of two of the same event, across two different age groups).***



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##### **Entry Fees**

Singles | £18.00

Doubles | £12.00

All entries and payments are to be made online via tournament software.

*Entries will not be accepted without payment.*

##### **Draw**

The draw will be seeded.

Seedings will be made |

- 1) On current (Past 12 months) BWF World Ranking Points.
- 2) Previous National Championship results.

All events will be based on a knockout system from the Semi-Final stage. If entry level for an event is sufficient for only one group, the Winner may be decided by the results of the group games meaning there will be no final play off.

##### **Shuttles**

Yonex AS-30 feather shuttles will be used.

##### **Courts**

Up to 8 courts will be used during the tournament.

The courts will be available for warm up before play starts.

The logo for Badminton Wales features a stylized white badminton racket head on a red background, with several white lines radiating from the center to represent the strings.

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##### **Arrival**

Upon arrival, please proceed to the Badminton Wales Tournament Desk to register.

##### **Trophies & or Medals**

Individual trophies & or medals shall be awarded to the Winners and Runner-Ups.

##### **Withdrawal**

A player/pair is entitled to prizes according to results actually obtained before any withdrawal due to injury.

From the time of the draw all communications between the player and Badminton Wales / Referee regarding withdrawal, late arrival, etc. must be with the player listed, and not via third parties.

- Withdrawal from the tournament before deadline- Eligible for refund
- Withdrawal from the tournament after withdrawal deadline- No refund
- Failure to arrive with notification within a reasonable period but without proper reason: £35.00
- Failure to arrive without notification: £50.00



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#### **Drug Testing**

To be eligible to participate or assist any participant in any event or activity organised or authorised by or held under the rules of the association wherever held, you must comply with the current anti-doping policy of the association and shall be deemed to have agreed with and contested to these rules.

You should be advised that participants may be subject to random testing for drugs at any time during the event by agents sanctioned by the association of the BWF.

Failure to comply with a request for testing may result in you being subject to the same sanction as for a positive doping test.

For a list of banned substances, you should refer to the UK sport website([www.uksport.gov.uk](http://www.uksport.gov.uk))

#### **Eligibility**

A player shall be qualified to enter Welsh National Championships providing the player satisfies all of the following regulations: providing the player satisfies all of the following regulations:

Is in good standing (see note) with Badminton Wales and / or a BWF member association.



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Has not represented any other member association for a period of 3 years immediately preceding the date of the tournament.

Has not competed in the National championships of another member association for 2 years preceding the tournament either was born in Wales or one or both parents were born in Wales or has had their main residence in Wales for 2 (two) years immediately preceding the date of the tournament.

**Note** To be “in good standing” includes not being in debt, being a member of a club / school affiliated to Badminton Wales or be individually affiliated to Badminton Wales.

#### **Conditions of Play**

The tournament shall be played in accordance with

- The laws of Badminton and Competition Regulations of BWF.
- Badminton Wales Regulations.

Matches will be played as the best of 3 games to 21 points with no extended play in group matches and with extended play in knockout matches.

The period for knocking-up before any match shall not exceed three minutes.



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An interval not exceeding 60 seconds shall be permitted when the leading score reaches 11 points in each game.

An interval not exceeding two minutes is also permitted between games.

All competitors must be prepared to play at the times determined for the events for which they have entered; failure to do so may result in the players disqualification.

### **Clothing and Advertising**

All Clothing must be suitable badminton clothing, it may be of any colour or combination of colours.

Abstract designs are permitted when devoid of advertising, commercial or promotional content.

The shirt may carry the following advertising as in BWF Regulations |

23.2.1 A maximum of one advertisement may appear on each of the following locations; left sleeve, right sleeve, left shoulder, right shoulder, left collar, right collar, right chest, left chest and centre chest. The shoulder is defined as the visible part of the shoulder on the front of the shirt. There must be no more than five advertisements in total and National flags or emblems for the purpose of this regulation count as advertisements. Each advertisement, including National flags or emblems, must be 20 square centimetres or less.



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23.2.2 In addition to the above, one BWF mark may be worn in the form of a non-commercial emblem, as defined by BWF from time to time (e.g. BWF logo, integrity campaign logo or similar). The mark must not exceed 20 square centimetres and must follow the definition of the mark outlined by BWF. The mark can appear on any of the following locations not already used for advertising or a national flag or emblem: left sleeve, right sleeve, left shoulder, right shoulder, left collar, right collar, right chest, left chest and centre chest.

23.2.3 Advertising contained in a band of uniform width not exceeding 10 centimetres on the front and not exceeding five centimetres on the backs. Such a band may be at any angle and may be on the front of the shirt, the back of the shirt, or both.

### Rules & Rankings

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Players not prepared to play when called will be scratched and in consequence no player should leave the hall without first notifying the Referee.

In the event of any disputes the Referee's decision is final.

### Group Stage Rules / Rankings

Ranking in events played under the pool system or in groups.  
Ranking will be established by the number of matches won.



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- If two players/pairs have won the same number of matches, the winner of the match between them will be ranked higher.
- If three or more players/pairs have won the same number of matches, ranking will be established by the difference between total games won and total games lost, with the greater positive difference ranked higher.
- If this still leaves two players/pairs equal, the winner of the match between them will be ranked higher.
- If three or more players/pairs have won the same number of matches and are equal in the difference between total games won and total games lost, ranking will be established by the difference between total points won and total points lost, with greater positive difference ranked higher.
- If this still leaves two players/pairs equal, the winner of the match between them will be ranked higher.
- If three or more players/pairs are still equal, then ranking will be established by drawing lots.
- If illness, injury, or other unavoidable hindrance prevents a player/pair completing all the pool matches, all the results of that player/pair shall be deleted. Retiring during a match shall be considered to be not completing all pool matches.





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#### Photography/Video

In line with Badminton Wales's Photographic/Recorded Images Policy, any person wishing to engage in any photography or videoing should inform the tournament organiser & where possible complete a Photography and Video Recording Registration Form and hand it in to the Tournament Organiser before any photography/video is undertaken.

Any unauthorised photographer who will not agree to these conditions may be reported to the appropriate authority.

Photographs/videos taken at the event by Badminton Wales may be used for purposes including (but not restricted to) news items (both online and newspaper), marketing materials/outlets, education and training, player analysis, performance, development, selection and event promotion.

Matches may be Live Streamed with the link embedded within Badminton Website for viewing events live.

If anyone has any concerns with themselves or their child being photographed or filmed at Badminton Wales events, please contact the tournament organiser on: [enquires@badminton.wales](mailto:enquires@badminton.wales).



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*The association reserves the right to add to, or alter, these regulations. Its decision in all matters shall be final. Any person deemed to be in breach of these regulations may be withdrawn from the event and/or asked to leave the hall.*