

REGULATIONS FOR WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. DEFINITION

- 1.1. Individual World Junior Championships shall be promoted annually and the events shall include men's singles and doubles, women's singles and doubles, and mixed doubles, and they shall all be conducted in accordance with existing Rules and Regulations adopted by the BWF.
- 1.2. The winners of each event shall be regarded as World Junior Champions and they shall be presented by the BWF with gold medals to commemorate their success. Runners-up in all events shall be presented with silver medals and losing semi-finalists with bronze medals. All such medals shall be suitably inscribed.

2. PRELIMINARY ARRANGEMENTS

- 2.1. Any Member Association may apply to stage the World Junior Championships and such application shall be sent to the Chief Operating Officer.
- 2.2. The allocation of the Championships shall be made by Council at a date of its choosing, but in any case no later than 31 July in the year of the previous Championships. Member Associations must be given at least six months notice of this date.

3. RIGHTS

All commercial, television, Internet, webcasting, audio, film and other rights of like nature at all venues, and other rights associated primarily with the event shall belong exclusively to the BWF. In determining the financial arrangements at each venue with the organising Member Association, the BWF may grant licences and concessions in respect of such rights, including the direct grant of all or part of such rights to the organising Member Association and/or commercial organisations.

4. RESPONSIBILITIES & FINANCE

- 4.1. Council shall allocate responsibility for hosting the Championships on organisational, financial and commercial terms and conditions it agrees with the hosting Member Association.
- 4.2. The BWF shall be entitled to make grants to Member Associations who enter players in the World Junior Championships or a team in the World Junior Team Championships on such terms and conditions as the BWF may decide.
- 4.3. Every Member Association taking part in the World Junior Championships shall be responsible for all expenses incurred by its players and officials including travel, hotel accommodation and other expenses.

5. GENERAL ORGANISATION

- 5.1. Council shall be responsible for the organisation of the World Junior Championships.
- 5.2. The competition shall be conducted in accordance with the Laws of Badminton and all appropriate Competition Regulations as adopted by the BWF.
- 5.3. The Referee and Deputy Referee(s) of each World Junior Championships shall be appointed by Council.

- 5.4. Council shall appoint a Committee of Management of at least five persons, of whom three shall be members of the BWF Events Committee, and two shall be nominated by the promoting association. This Committee shall be responsible for the general organisation and for the seeding and the draw for each event. In addition, the Referee shall be an ex-officio member of this Committee.
- 5.5. Council shall select one brand of BWF-approved shuttlecock to be used exclusively.

6. *FILING OF ENTRIES*

- 6.1. Not later than nine months before the date of the Championships, the BWF shall send to all Member Associations an invitation to compete.
- 6.2. Entries may be submitted only by Member Associations and shall be sent so as to reach the address quoted in the letter of invitation not later than the closing date notified in the invitation.
- 6.3. Council shall have the power to reject an entry:
 - 6.3.1. containing a condition unresolved at the time of the draw;
 - 6.3.2. considered against the interest of the competition or the game; or
 - 6.3.3. made by an Association which is in arrears in payment of subscriptions or which has any other indebtedness to the BWF.

7. *SUBSTITUTIONS*

- 7.1. A player/pair may participate in an event of the World Junior Championships only if the player's/pair's entry is made by the closing date for entries as announced by the BWF.
- 7.2. After the closing date for entries but before the draw is made, a player who has entered may be unable to take part through illness, injury, or other unavoidable cause. That player's place in singles or doubles or both can be taken by a player from the same Member Association who has already entered another World Junior Championships event.
- 7.3. No changes or substitutions of any kind can be made to the draw after it has been made.

7.4. Number of entries

- 7.4.1. Each Member Association, including the host Member Association, shall be entitled to enter a maximum of four players in men's singles, four players in women's singles, four players in men's doubles, four players in women's doubles and four men and four women in mixed doubles.
- 7.4.2. Associate Members and international organisations shall not be entitled to make any entries.

8. *ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE*

- 8.1. Participation shall be restricted to players in good standing with their Member Associations and a player's eligibility to compete shall be in accordance with Competition Regulations 8.2 to 8.4. Players are eligible provided they remain under 19 years of age throughout the calendar year in which the World Junior Championships are held.

- 8.2. Acceptance of nomination for entry to the World Junior Championships shall count as international representation as described in Competition Regulation 8.3.

9. DRAW & TIMETABLE

- 9.1. The intended outline timetable for the playing of each event shall be fixed and circulated not later than three weeks before the commencement of the Championships.

9.2. Conduct of tournament

- 9.2.1. The World Junior Championships may be conducted in two or more stages with entries exempted to a later stage.
- 9.2.2. If there is more than one stage, earlier stages must be conducted in the same hall(s) as later stages and immediately preceding them.
- 9.2.3. If there is more than one stage, earlier stages are subject to the provisions of Competition Regulations 13 and 14, treating the final stage as the main draw.

10. PLAYING OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBER ASSOCIATIONS

- 10.1. Member Associations shall be responsible for ensuring that the players entered by them fulfil their obligations.
- 10.2. In default, such Association:
- 10.2.1. will not be entitled to receive any monies due to it.
- 10.3. Council shall have the power to declare the offending Association ineligible for the next World Junior Championships.

11. TEAM MANAGER

- 11.1. Each Member Association concerned shall appoint a Manager of its team at least fourteen days before the commencement of the Championships.
- 11.2. In default of such appointment, a team shall forthwith choose its own Manager.
- 11.3. as soon as appointed, the name of the Manager shall be notified to the BWF.
- 11.4. From the time of arrival at the venue, the Manager shall assume all administrative and other responsibilities on behalf of the relevant Member Association and team in connection with the conduct of the Competition.
- 11.5. The Team Manager shall attend any briefing meeting called by the Referee.

12. AMENDMENT OF REGULATIONS

Council has power on behalf of the BWF to make and publish amendments to the World Junior Championships Regulations.