



## **Badminton Rules**

### **1. Championship Programme**

- Day 1: arrival of the teams and technical meeting
- Day 2: competitions
- Day 3: competitions
- Day 4: competitions, technical meeting and closing ceremony
- Day 5: departure of the teams

The opening ceremony will be held either on day 1 or day 2.

The excursion will be no more than half a day and will be held at the discretion of the organisers during the USIC championships.

### **2. Composition of Delegations**

Each delegation will consist of a maximum number of 8 (9) participants:

Men	4
Women	2
Head of Delegation	1
Trainer	$\frac{1}{8}$
Participants	8
Interpreter *	1

*\* for delegations who speak no English (only if required)*

### **3. Qualifying Groups**

#### **3.1 Drawing of lots**

The drawing of lots will take place at the first technical meeting of the USIC championship.

The first position in each group is assigned according to the ranking at the previous USIC championship. There need to be at least two groups.

#### **3.2 National teams will play each other.**

#### **3.3 Evaluation**

The team that wins the most matches in a competition is the winner of that competition. In case the teams win the same number of matches, the competition ends in a draw.

The winner of a team competition gets two victory points. If a team competition ends in a draw, each team gets one victory and one loss point.

To determine the winner of a group, the following will be taken into consideration, in this sequence, until the winner is found:

1. the number of victory points gained
2. the number of matches won in all group matches
3. the higher sum of points after subtraction of all lost from all won sets
4. the higher sum of points after subtraction of all lost from all won points.
5. If this procedure still results in a draw, the teams' ranking will be determined by lot

#### **4. Intermediate round**

The winning teams of the qualifying groups play against the teams placed in second position to decide who will be in the final round. The winning teams play in the final round for the tournament victory. The losing teams of the intermediate round play in one group for the following ranks.

Similarly, the teams placed third and fourth in their groups play for the other positions.

#### **5. Final Groups**

Points will be awarded to the teams playing in the final groups following the same rules as those applicable to the qualifying groups.

#### **6. Organisation of Team Events**

6.1 Each team competition will consist of 8 matches in the following order:

- Two men's doubles
- One women's double
- Three men's singles
- One women's single
- One mixed double

The four men and two women will play two matches each; however, not within the same competition.

The competitors will participate in the following events:

- One woman will play in the women's single and the women's double
- One woman will play in the women's double and the mixed double
- Three men will play in one men's single and one men's double
- One man will play in one men's double and the mixed double

6.2 Prior to every team competition, the head of the delegation shall submit the team composition based on the ranking list. The substitute player (trainer) shall be entered in the ranking list according to his/her skill level and be marked as substitute player

6.3 If a team fails to adhere to the ranking list, the team will lose that match, any matches in which that particular player has participated as well as any of the following matches during the same competition.

6.4 The men's doubles are to be formed in such a way that when adding the positions in the ranking list the double with the smaller sum will play the first men's double ("addition method"). If the sums are equal, the double with the player who is highest in the ranking list shall play the first men's double.

#### **7. Results**

7.1 Any team match which has not been completed due to injury etc. shall be counted as if any matches not played by the injured team had been lost, i. e. on the basis of the then current BWF score system and irrespective of the score prior to the interruption. If any players need to interrupt a match, they shall not be permitted to use a substitute player during that match. Such match shall be counted as if the opponent had won.

7.2 In case of an injury, the trainer may be used as substitute player. The substitute player takes the place of the injured player (i.e. also in the first men's single, if the situation arises). The substitute player can replace only one player. He can be brought in before the official call of the respective

match only. The referees have to be informed immediately. If the substitute player is to be used for the following team matches, too, he has to play according to his position on the ranking list.

7.3 A team consists of at least 4 men and 1 woman or 3 men and 2 women. If one player is missing, two victory points go to the opponent (the second men's double and the third men's single or the women's double and the women's single will be cancelled).

7.4 Any matches in which a team cannot participate will be won by the entering team on the basis of the then current BWF score system.

7.5 All results of a team which was disqualified or which had to withdraw shall be completely cancelled.

## **8. Main Referee**

8.1 The championship organisers shall appoint a main referee who shall be responsible for the following tasks.

- monitoring adherence to the championship and match rules;
- the use of referees and their possible replacement;
- deciding on the speed of the balls to be used;
- resolving any disputes over team compositions;
- disqualification of any teams not observing the rules or code of conduct

8.2 An appeal may be lodged with the championship committee against the referee's decision.

## **Change History**

<b>Approved</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Theme</b>
PTC Svetlogorsk	19 Oct. 2012	Tournament schedule
PTC Almaty (KAZ)	6. Sept. 2015	New delegation size, new tournament schedule