

# Junior Open Series Regulations

## 1. Competitions

5 Regional Badminton Wales (BW) Junior Opens are currently planned for the 2016-17 season. These are: Conwy, Gwent, Deeside, Wrexham and Cardiff along with 1 BW Junior Open Plus in Welshpool.

Enhanced points will be awarded at the BW Junior Open Plus.

## 2. Age groups

U13, U15, U17, U19

For one day tournaments, players may enter two age groups in the same discipline; however it is at the Tournament Organisers discretion as to whether they will be accepted in more than one age group. This will include the Open Plus.

## 3. Events

Tournaments must include Singles, Doubles and Mixed events.

## 4. Eligibility

Competitors must be affiliated to BW, either through their Club, individually or to an associated body (e.g. Badminton England). Their **affiliation number** must be given on the **entry form**. If you are unsure of your affiliation number, please check with your club, Badminton Wales or associated body.

Unaffiliated players will be required to affiliate to BW at the time of entry – an additional **£6.00** to cover membership and insurance for the season must be paid and forwarded along with their membership application to BW. Forms can be found at [www.badminton.wales/membership](http://www.badminton.wales/membership)

## 5. Entries, Forms and Fees

Tournament Organisers are responsible for the draw and event seeding. Previous rankings can be obtained from the BW web site. If you require assistance with the draw and/or seeding please contact the BW Events Officer.

- The closing date for entries will be 2 weeks before the event, unless otherwise stated by the Tournament Organiser.
- Entries must be submitted on the appropriate form together with the correct fee.
- If more than one age group is being entered, separate entry forms must be submitted for each age group.
- Players may enter a maximum of 2 Age Groups per event. (E.g. U13 & U15 Singles may be entered but not U17)
- Entry for doubles events will only be accepted on receipt of separate entry forms from both players.
- Once an entry has been submitted and accepted by the Tournament Organiser, the entrant is liable for the entry fee.
- Late entries will only be accepted at the organiser's discretion and if numbers permit. Late entries will be subject to an additional fee of £5.
- At the discretion of the Tournament Organiser failure to pay the entry fee before start of play may result in an additional £5 fee
- In the event of withdrawals, Tournament Organisers must be notified at least 24 hours in advance of the start of play.
- At the discretion of the Tournament Organiser failure to notify the Tournament Organiser of withdrawal resulting in a 'No Show' may incur an additional £10 fee on top of the original entry fee.

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- Failure to pay any of the above fees may result in players being barred from entering further tournaments.
- Players requiring confirmation of entry should state so on the entry form. If confirmation by post is required a stamped addressed envelope should be enclosed with the entry form.

An **entry list and times of play** will be displayed on the BW website the Monday prior to the tournament date. The **draw** will be available on the BW website the Thursday prior to the tournament date.

A single entry form will be produced by the Events Officer and will be available at every event and on the BW web site.

The entry fees will be £11 (singles), £7 (doubles) per player

Refunds will not be provided unless there are exceptional circumstances (e.g. partner required or no partner found, cancellation of tournament).

## 7. Competition Format *(see full table page 4-5)*

- The first round of each event will be played on a group basis. Groups will be a minimum of 4 where possible.
- Where there is more than one group, the winner and runner up of the groups will go through to the knockout stage.
- If the entry level for an event is sufficient for only one group, rankings will be decided by the results of the group games. There will be no final play off.
- Should a player withdraw during the group stages they will assume last position in the group.

### **Position in groups will be established by:**

- The number of matches won.
- 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 will be deleted. Retiring during a match will be considered as not completing all pool matches.
- A player/pair is entitled to prizes according to results actually obtained before any withdrawal due to injury. If a player/pair withdraws for any reason prior to competing in an event the player/pair will not receive any ranking points and will not count towards qualification purposes.

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## 8. Scoring

- All group matches will be the best of 3 games to 15 rally points without extended play.
- All elimination round matches will be the best of 3 games to 15 rally points with extended play to 21 points.
- Tournament Organisers have the discretion to amend this scoring system if there are timing problems.

## 9. Coaching

Coaching during matches will **not** be permitted at any BW Junior Open event - this includes between rallies and between games.

## 10. Shuttles

Feather shuttles will be used.

## 11. Trophies

Medals or trophies will be awarded to all winners and runners up. BW encourage organisers to order through [www.trophiesandmedals.com](http://www.trophiesandmedals.com) from whom you will get discount with using code "BADMWALES".

## 12. Clothing and Advertising

BW encourages the use of suitable badminton clothing at all events and supports the education of players about clothing regulations. *Event organisers are requested to follow this lead.*

All Clothing must be suitable badminton clothing.

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

The shirt may carry on the front the flag or national emblem of the country represented.

The shirt may carry the players name and be on the back of the shirt.

Advertising on Players' Clothing:

(i) The shirt may carry the following advertising:

a). Adverts may appear on the following locations: left sleeve, right sleeve, left collar, right

collar, front of shirt. Each advert must be 20sq cm or less and there must be no more than three in total and only one per location and;

b). Advertising contained in a band of uniform width not exceeding 10cm, such band may be at any angle and may be on the front of the shirt, back of the shirt, or both.

(ii) Other clothing:

a). Each sock and each shoe may carry two adverts provided each advert is 20sq cm or less.

b). Each other article of clothing may carry one advertisement of 20sq cm or less.

## 13. Photography

In line with Badminton Wales' Photographic/Recorded Images Policy, any person wishing to engage in any photography or videoing should complete a Photography and Video Recording Registration Form (Appendix 1) 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.

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Photographs/videos will be taken at these events and Badminton Wales may use these photographs/videos 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.

If Parents/Guardians have any concerns with their child being photographed at our events please complete the Photography/Video Refusal of Consent Form, which can be found at the end of these conditions (Appendix 2). This form must be handed to the Tournament Organiser on arrival.

## 14. Latest Rankings

The latest Junior Open rankings may be displayed at each event, they can also be found on the BW website.

## 15. Ranking Points

The following points system will be used for all age groups:

Winner(s)	325
Runner up	292
Semi Finalist	259
Quarter Finalist	226
9-16 (3 <sup>rd</sup> in group)	193
17-32 (4 <sup>th</sup> in group)	160
33-64 (5 <sup>th</sup> in group)	127

The following ranking points will be awarded for the BW Junior Open Plus:

Winner(s)	488
Runner up	438
Semi Finalist	388
Quarter Finalist	339
9-16 (3 <sup>rd</sup> in group)	290
17-32 (4 <sup>th</sup> in group)	240
33-64 (5 <sup>th</sup> in group)	190

In the case of an injury ranking points already won will be awarded.

In the event that there is a single entrant in an event half of the winner points (162.5) will be awarded to that player.

Should a tournament be cancelled, no points will be awarded to any entrants.

## 17. Series winners

At the end of the series all category winners will be presented with a commemorative trophy.

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## Competition Format Table

In exceptional circumstances changes can be made to group numbers depending on timing restrictions.

ENTRIES	NUMBER OF GROUPS	SIZE OF GROUPS	Makeup of Semi finals/finals
3	1	3	Round Robin (No final play off)
4	1	4	Round Robin (No final Play off)
5	1	5	Round Robin (No final play off)
6	2	3	Winner A v R/up B Winner B v R/up A
7	2	3/4	Winner A v R/up B Winner B v R/up A
8	2	4	Winner A v R/up B Winner B v R/up A
9	3	3	Quarter Final – 1. R/up B v R/up C 2. Winner C v R/up A Semi final – Winner A v Winner 1 Winner B v Winner 2 Final – Winner A&1 v Winner B&2
10	3	1 x 4 + 2 x 3	Quarter Final – 1. R/up B v R/up C 2. Winner C v R/up A Semi final – Winner A v Winner 1 Winner B v Winner 2 Final – Winner A&1 v Winner B&2
11	3	2 x 4 + 1 x 3	Quarter Final – 1. R/up B v R/up C 2. Winner C v R/up A Semi final – Winner A v Winner 1 Winner B v Winner 2 Final – Winner A&1 v Winner B&2
12	3	4	Quarter Final – 1. R/up B v R/up C 2. Winner C v R/up A Semi final – Winner A v Winner 1 Winner B v Winner 2 Final – Winner A&1 v Winner B&2
13	3	2 x 4 + 1 x 5	Quarter Final – 1. R/up B v R/up C 2. Winner C v R/up A Semi final – Winner A v Winner 1 Winner B v Winner 2 Final – Winner A&1 v Winner B&2
14	4	2 x 3 + 2 x 4	Quarter Final – 1. Winner A v R/up C 2. Winner D v R/up B 3. Winner C v R/up A 4. Winner B v R/up D Semi final – Winner 1 v Winner 2 Winner 3 v Winner 4 Final – Winner 1/2 v Winner 3/4

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ENTRIES	NUMBER OF GROUPS	SIZE OF GROUPS	Makeup of Semi finals/finals
15	4	3 x 4 + 1 x 3	Quarter Final – 1. Winner A v R/up C 2. Winner D v R/up B 3. Winner C v R/up A 4. Winner B v R/up D Semi final – Winner 1 v Winner 2 Winner 3 v Winner 4 Final – Winner 1/2 v Winner 3/4
16	4	4	Quarter Final – 1. Winner A v R/up C 2. Winner D v R/up B 3. Winner C v R/up A 4. Winner B v R/up D Semi final – Winner 1 v Winner 2 Winner 3 v Winner 4 Final – Winner 1/2 v Winner 3/4
17	5	2 x 4 + 3 x 3	1 <sup>st</sup> round – R/up E v R/up C & R/up D v R/up A Quarter Final – 1. Winner A v winner of [R/up E v R/up C] 2. Winner C v R/up B 3. Winner D v Winner E 4. Winner B v winner [R/up D v R/up A] Semi final – 1 v 2 & 3 v 4. Final – Winner 1/2 v Winner 3/4
18	5	3 x 4 + 2 x 3	1 <sup>st</sup> round – R/up E v R/up C & R/up D v R/up A Quarter Final – 1. Winner A v winner of [R/up E v R/up C] 2. Winner C v R/up B 3. Winner D v Winner E 4. Winner B v winner [R/up D v R/up A] Semi final – 1 v 2 & 3 v 4. Final – Winner 1/2 v Winner 3/4
19	5	1 x 3 + 4 x 4	1 <sup>st</sup> round – R/up E v R/up C & R/up D v R/up A Quarter Final – 1. Winner A v winner of [R/up E v R/up C] 2. Winner C v R/up B 3. Winner D v Winner E 4. Winner B v winner [R/up D v R/up A] Semi final – 1 v 2 & 3 v 4. Final – Winner 1/2 v Winner 3/4
20	6	4 x 3 + 2 x 4	1 <sup>st</sup> Round – R/up F v R/up D & R/up B v Winner E & R/up A v Winner F & R/up C v R/up E Quarter Final - 1. Winner A v winner of [R/up F v R/up D] 2. Winner D v winner of [R/up B v Winner E] 3. Winner C v [R/up A v Winner F] 4. Winner B v [R/up C v R/up E] Semi final – 1 v 2 & 3 v 4. Final – Winner 1/2 v Winner 3/4

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## APPENDIX 1

### Photography and Video Recording Registration Form

This form should be completed by anyone wishing to take photographs or recording images at a badminton event.

#### Personal Details

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone/Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Details about the event which you are registering to take photographs at

Programme/Event name: \_\_\_\_\_

Venue: \_\_\_\_\_

Date/s: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Please describe how the photographs or recorded images will be used

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#### Declaration

I wish to take photographs or record images during the course of the above programme/event. I have read and agree to abide by the guidelines laid down by Badminton Wales in their Photographic/Recorded Images Policy and confirm that the photographs or recorded images will only be used in an appropriate manner.

I acknowledge that if it is deemed that I have used the photographs or recorded images inappropriately, this may result in me being unable to use photographic equipment at badminton programmes/events in the future and that the incident may be reported to the safeguarding lead officer at Badminton Wales.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ individual/parent/guardian/coach (delete as appropriate)

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_ \_\_ / \_\_ \_\_ / \_\_ \_\_

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## APPENDIX 2

### Photography/Video Refusal of Consent Form

To eliminate the possibility of miscommunication, Badminton Wales advises that the Photography/Video Refusal of Consent Form should be filled in per tournament/event due to there being different organisers running the various BW sanctioned events.

<p><b>Name:</b> _____ <b>DOB:</b> _____</p> <p>I refuse permission for the taking and/or publication of images of my child in respect of the _____ (name of tournament/event).</p> <p><b>Signature</b> _____ parent/guardian/carer (delete as appropriate)</p> <p><b>Print Name</b> _____</p> <p><b>Date</b> ___ / ___ / ___</p>
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