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1. PROTOCOL FOR PLAYERS & TEAM ENTOURAGE

Please read [BWF COVID-19 PROTOCOL](#) + [Tournament Specific Information](#) and [BWF Announcements](#) for up to date information regarding International tournaments.

Please read [Badminton Europe Competition Guidance](#)

2. COMPETITION ENTRY REGULATION

Welsh Player Entering Badminton Europe or Badminton World Federation International Tournaments.

- Entry into an International Tournament can only be done by the Member Association where the Player is registered with BWF as a Registered Player for Entry.
- The Member Association which can enter the Player is the country shown for the Player on the World Ranking and/or World Junior Ranking unless no Tournaments have been played.
- The player should be a registered member with the Member association and have a membership number with the Member Association before entry can be made.
- Entry request form above should be submitted to Badminton Wales Performance Coach - chris.rees@badminton.wales + donal.ohalloran@badminton.wales + CC – performance.team@badminton.wales
- This request should be made 3 weeks in advance of the closing date (as early as possible).
- Badminton Wales will forward confirmation and receipt of entry to the Player.
- Entry withdraws should be submitted to the same emails before the entry deadline, where possible.
- The entry fees become due if a player is entered and has not been withdrawn when the entry deadline passes.
- The entry fees will not be refunded in the case of a withdrawal.
- All entry fees must be settled by the players within 2 (two) months after the end of the tournament.
- The invoice for entry fees will have the 2 month deadline and if no payment has been received after the deadline has passed, the organisers will forward the invoice with the registration of deliverance and the copy of the original entry together with the original invoice to BADMINTON EUROPE.
- Every unpaid invoice for entry fees sent to BADMINTON EUROPE by a tournament organiser following the above-mentioned procedure, shall result in an additional administrative fine of 100,00 EUR.

- If a player/pair is listed on a “Reserve List”, no entry fee is to be paid before being promoted to the Main Draw or Qualification draw. Before the withdrawal deadline has passed, a promotion from the “Reserve List” to the Main Draw or Qualification draw is obligated and will be done automatically, unless the respective player/pair has withdrawn from the “Reserve List” beforehand. After the withdrawal deadline has passed, the organisers must have such a promotion confirmed in writing by the association/associations of the respective player/pair before it takes place. Only when this confirmation has been given, the player/pair is considered as an entry.
- Organisers are allowed to refuse entries if Member Associations or their players have outstanding fees from a previous year.
- Any withdrawal after the Monday immediately preceding the draw, for any reason whatsoever, the player is liable to an amount of US\$ 150,00 for the inconvenience caused by the withdrawal (as defined in BWF General Competition Regulations).
- Any player not showing up for a match at the tournament, without having been withdrawn in advance, renders them liable to an additional amount of US\$ 500,00 for the inconvenience caused by the “no show” (as defined in BWF General Competition Regulations).
- The payment of withdrawal fees and “no shows” shall be collected by the BWF and the amount concerning the withdrawal fees shall be forwarded to the organisers after US\$ 100,00 per withdrawal is retained by the BWF. However, if the player was entered by the Member Association under whose jurisdiction the competition is held, then the whole payment shall be retained by the BWF.
- Not succeeding in getting a visa for the tournament as a player is not a valid reason to discard a fine for withdrawal or no show.

Badminton Wales are not responsible for players entry fees. All players entering International Tournaments are responsible for settling their entry fees along with any penalties that they obtain.

Tournament Grades

<p>GRADE 1 BWF Major Events</p>	<p>BWF World Championships Thomas Cup (BWF World Men's Team Championships) Uber Cup (BWF World Women's Team Championships) Sudirman Cup (BWF World Team Championships) Suhandinata Cup (BWF World Junior Team Championships) Eye Level Cups (BWF World Junior Championships) BWF World Senior Championships (No prize money for BWF Major Events)</p>
<p>GRADE 2 HSBC BWF World Tour</p>	<p>Level 1 – HSBC BWF World Tour Finals (Prize pool – \$1,500,000) Level 2 – HSBC BWF World Tour – Super 1000 (Prize pool – \$1,000,000) Level 3 – HSBC BWF World Tour – Super 750 (Prize pool – \$700,000) Level 4 – HSBC BWF World Tour – Super 500 (Prize pool – \$350,000) Level 5 – HSBC BWF World Tour – Super 300 (Prize pool – \$150,000)</p>
<p>GRADE 2 BWF Tour</p>	<p>Level 6 – BWF Tour Super 100 (Prize pool – \$75,000)</p>
<p>GRADE 3 Continental Level</p>	<p>Grade 3 – International Challenge (Prize pool – \$25,000) Grade 3 – International Series (Prize pool – \$10,000) Grade 3 – Future Series (Prize pool – less than \$10,000)</p>

[BWF General Competition Regulations](#):- Chapter 5 – Technical Regulations. Section 5.1 – General Competition Regulations

9.3.2 From the time of arrival at the venue, the Team Manager shall assume all administrative and other responsibilities on behalf of the relevant Member and all the Players and team officials in connection with the conduct of the Tournament.

9.3.3 For all Grade 1 and 2 Tournaments the Team Manager/Player/Coach must attend any briefing meeting called by the Referee and / or by the Committee of Management. Where there is a failure to comply, Regulation 31 shall be applied.

Regulation 31: - Any Participant (including in particular a Player / pair, coach, team official, Technical Official or Tournament organiser) who commits an offence as referred to in Regulation 31.2 shall be levied with a penalty as stated in Regulation 31.2 and any financial penalties are to be retained by the BWF.

Clothing

Colour, design, lettering and advertising on clothing shall be regulated by [BWF General Competition Regulations](#) § 20 to 24 – please read and familiarise yourself with the clothing regulations ahead of the competition. Any breach of these regulations will be forwarded to BWF. All players competing in International Tournaments are responsible for settling any penalties that they obtain.



To help players best understand and implement advertising on their player clothing, BWF has produced the attached guidance document.

Based on the advertising regulations within the BWF General Competition Regulations (GCR) – specifically, clause 24 - [Advertising on Players Clothing](#) provides examples for:

- T-shirts
- Sleeveless shirts
- Shorts
- Skirts
- Dresses
- Sleeveless dresses
- Socks
- Compression clothing
- Track suits
- Other articles of clothing

For detailed information, including all player and coach clothing regulations, please refer to the full BWF GCR (BWF Statutes, Section 5.1) at the statutes page of the BWF Corporate website at: <https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/statutes>

It is mandatory that partners in doubles wear the same colour of the T-shirt and shorts/skirts at all time during play in both the qualification and the main draw. Failing to do so shall result in an administrative fine of 100,00 EUR.

- **Table of Offences and Penalties**
- **Special Table of Offences and Penalties Relating to breaches of COVID 19 Safety Protocols**
- **Table of Offences and Penalties (Para badminton)**

Travel Insurance

Player requires own travel insurance when entering and competing in Individual International Competitions. Please check to make sure you have adequate travel insurance in place.

3. UK GUIDANCE FOR PLAYER TRAVELLING

Guidance for British people travelling overseas during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, if they are legally permitted to travel internationally.

4. RETURNING TO THE UK

5. ENTERING WALES

6. Brexit Guidance for Welsh Sports



Brexit Guidance for
Welsh Sport.pdf

7. RETURN TO TRAINING

Please follow the latest [Badminton Wales Return to Court](#) guidance.

8. WORLD RANKINGS

The higher the level of tournament the better the ranking points available and the larger the prize money, but also harder to get into.

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Below is the Ranking Points Table, this will show you the maximum points available for each event while also providing the points breakdown for each round of those events.

	Winner	Runner Up	* 3-4	5-8	9-16	17-32	33-64	65-128	129-256	257-512	513-1024
Grade 1 - BWF Tournaments (BWF World Championships and Olympic Games)	13000	11000	9200	7200	5200	3200	1300	650	260	130	65
Grade 2 – BWF World Tour – Level 1 (Finals) and Level 2	12000	10200	8400	6600	4800	3000	1200	600	240	120	60
Grade 2 – BWF World Tour, Level 3	11000	9350	7700	6050	4320	2660	1060	520	210	100	50
Grade 2 – BWF World Tour, Level 4	9200	7800	6420	5040	3600	2220	880	430	170	80	40
Grade 2 – BWF World Tour, Level 5	7000	5950	4900	3850	2750	1670	660	320	130	60	30
Grade 2 – BWF World Tour, Level 6	5500	4680	3850	3030	2110	1290	510	240	100	45	30
Grade 3 – International Challenge	4000	3400	2800	2200	1520	920	360	170	70	30	20
Grade 3 – International Series	2500	2130	1750	1370	920	550	210	100	40	20	10
Grade 3 – Future Series	1700	1420	1170	920	600	350	130	60	20	10	5

The world rankings are compiled of tournament results from BWF sanctioned events held over the last 52-week period. Those points will count towards your ranking until the same ranking event is played the following year of the 52-week period is lapsed.

Your world ranking is made up of 10 event points.

If you have played 10 or fewer events, these points will be added together to provide your ranking. If you have played 11 or more events then the highest 10 event points scores will be added to provide for ranking.

To maintain your best ranking you need to ensure there are 10 active tournament results on your ranking at all times.

The official BWF Statutes for this can be found at: [Statutes | BWF Corporate \(bwfbadminton.com\)](https://www.bwfbadminton.com/statutes)

9. INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION CALENDAR

[BWF Tournament Calendar](#)

Grade 3 – Continental Events

- [Future Series](#)
- [International Series](#)
- [International Challenge](#)

HELPFUL TIPS

<u>Before</u>	<u>During</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submit tournament entry to BW before deadline. • Booking of flights/travel • Organise transport with event on arrival and departure • Gain Visa or any relevant travel documents needed • Book Accommodation • Spend time researching Hotel and restaurant to know what is available • Book practice courts where possible • Ensure T-shirt printing followed BWF regulations • Get a currency card to use to save charges for withdrawing cash (Monzo/Starling/Revolut) • COVID tests / Invite Letter / Quarantine period • Taper training week prior to event (Less intense more sharpening up) • Apply for accreditation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attend Team Managers Meetings • Plan for changes (promotion or withdrawals) • Complete Media Form if wanting to video matches • Plan to take your own food/snacks/drinks to suit your needs • Plan a good pre and post fuel schedule (what/when etc)

10. CHECKLIST

- Read BWF Protocol
- Read [Tournament Specific Information](#)
- Read UK Guidance for Travel
- Read Competition Entry Regulations
- Complete and sign Competition Entry Request Form to International Tournaments
- Travel Insurance
 - Player requires their own travel insurance when competing in Individual International Competitions. Please check to make sure you have adequate insurance in place.
- Travel details shared with Badminton Wales

11. Competition Entry Request Form to International Tournaments

NAME:		AGE CATEGORY:	BW MEMBERSHIP NUMBER:
TOURNAMENT:			WEEK: DATE:
DISCIPLINE:	MS:		
	LS:		
	MD:	PARTNER:	
	LD:	PARTNER:	
	MX:	PARTNER:	
Please read section: - 2. Competition Entry Regulations		Signature: I agree to section: - 2. Competition Entry Regulations and have completed section - 9. Checklist	

Entry requests should be made 3 weeks in advance of the closing date (as early as possible).

Please send this form to chris.rees@badminton.wales | donal.ohalloran@badminton.wales and
CC performance.team@badminton.wales