

WELSH SENIOR NATIONAL REGULATIONS 2020

1. Venue

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

2. Key Dates

Entry Closes: 26th January 2020

Draw Published: 29th January 2020

Event: 1st – 2nd February 2020

3. Events

Men's Singles, Women's Singles, Men's Doubles, Women's Doubles, Mixed Doubles.

4. Eligibility

Competitors must be qualified to represent Wales at International level and be affiliated to Badminton Wales (BW).

5. Entry

All entries to be made online via tournament software. Payment must be required online entry will not be permitted.

6. Conditions of Play

The tournament shall be played in full accordance with the laws of Badminton and Competition Regulations adopted by the BWF as well as the regulations of Badminton Wales (BW) including the prohibition of doping for which tests may be carried out.

-Matches will be played as the best of 3 games to 21 points with extended play

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

-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.

7. Clothing and Advertising

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

i. 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 – 23.2.3:

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.

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.

8. Draw

The draw will be seeded. Seedings will be based on current World and Welsh Rankings. Previous National results and other tournament results may be taken into consideration when seeding players.

9. 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.

- 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.

10. 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 tournament secretary / Referee regarding withdrawal, late arrival, etc. must be with the player listed, and not via third parties.

- i. Failure to arrive without notification: £50.00
- ii. Failure to arrive with notification within a reasonable period but without proper reason: £35.00

11. Shuttles

Victor Master ace will be used.

12. Courts

4 Hover Courts will be used during the tournament.

2 Practice Courts will be available during the tournament behind the curtain in the main hall.

13. Arrival

Upon arrival please proceed to the Tournament Desk to register.

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.

14. Trophies

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

15. 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.uk sport.gov.uk)

16. 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 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 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. This form must be handed to the TournamentOrganiser on arrival.