



BADMINTON *Technical Guidelines & Ground Rules*

I. RULES

1. The competition shall be held in accordance with the current Laws and Regulations of the Badminton World Federation (BWF). However, in matters not covered by these rules and regulations, decision shall rest with the Tournament Manager.
2. The Technical Committee/Tournament Manager shall be responsible for the technical organization of the tournament. The decision of the committee in all matters regarding the competition shall be final.
3. Only the official **COACH, asst. COACH and CHAPERON** listed on the gallery are allowed to sit on the coaches' chair and approach the players during intervals. **(Max. of 2 person allowed)**
4. Only the official **COACH, asst. COACH and CHAPERON** listed on the gallery are allowed to approach Match control/Referee with regards to questions and inquiries during the match.

II. TOURNAMENT FORMAT

The format of the competition shall be run on a single elimination or knock-out system for all events (Team Tie and Individual event) in Elementary and Secondary level both boys and girls.

III. EVENTS

1. TEAM TIE COMPETITION (Elementary / Secondary) Boys and Girls
2. INDIVIDUAL COMPETITION (Elementary / Secondary) Boys and Girls

Boys Singles	-	(Two (2) entries per Region)
Girls Singles	-	(Two (2) entries per Region)
Boys Doubles	-	(One (1) entry per Region)
Girls Doubles	-	(One (1) entry per Region)
Mixed Doubles	-	(One (1) entry per Region)

IV. TEAM COMPOSITION AND FIELDING OF PLAYERS

1. A team / region must have a maximum of four (4) players (mandatory fielding of four (4) players per team tie is required).
2. Each tie shall consist of two (2) singles and one (1) doubles.
3. The order of play shall be as follow: Singles – Doubles – Singles (S-D-S).
4. Fifteen (15) minutes before the commencement of play of each tie, the coach shall submit the composition of his/her team to the match control/referee and to the opposing coach. No substitution shall be allowed under any circumstances after the tie has commenced.
5. In case a team wins two (2) events (singles, doubles) and the tie has already been decided, the remaining match (2nd singles) will not be played.
6. In case a team fails to submit their entry form on time, the tournament manager will use the team's fielding strategy in the previous round.

V. SEEDING / RANKING

Pairing for elementary and secondary levels for both boys and girls in all events shall be done by draw lots except for the seeded players/regions based on last year Palarong Pambansa results held in Bantay, Ilocos Sur. (seed 1 – 4)

VI. DRAWING OF LOTS

1. Drawing lots shall be done during the solidarity meeting of the 2019 *Palarong Pambansa* or one (1) day before the actual competition. (Electronic Draw lots shall be implemented).
2. Coaches or representatives shall be the one to make the draw to determine their opponent.
3. Coach / representative's right to question the tournament proceeding or technical guidelines shall be waived if he /she fails to attend the solidarity or draw lots.

VII. ENTRY OF PLAYERS (Individual Events)

1. Coaches shall submit their entries for singles, doubles and mixed doubles competition during the solidarity meeting before the start of drawing of lots on a prescribed entry form to be provided by the management.
2. The entries shall be duly signed by the coach / team representative.
3. Upon submission of the entries (duly signed by coach/representative), NO substitution shall be allowed especially after the draw.

VIII. SCORING

The BWF scoring system of 1 – 21 points (rally point) best of three games shall apply. In case the score becomes 20 all, the player/pair who gains an advantage of two (2) points wins the game (22-20, 23-21). If the score becomes 29 all, the player/pair who score the 30th points wins the game.

IX. WALK OVER

A ten (15) minutes grace period on the scheduled tie/match shall be given, otherwise the team/player shall be declared loser via walk-over.

X. ATTIRE

1. All players are required to use their playing uniform (regional color) on the **first day and during championship or finals**. On the second day up to the semi- finals players are allowed or must be in a prescribed badminton uniform.
2. For players, do not used "**PHILIPPINES or PILIPINAS**" as back name or print of your playing shirt.
3. **Coach, Assistant Coach, and Chaperon** must wear their regional uniform when coaching during the tie/match. Wearing of sleeveless shirt and slippers when coaching is not allowed.

XII. PROTEST

1. Protest on eligibility will be settled at the level of the Organizing and Screening committee and Eligibility committee.
2. Protest on technicality will be settled at the level of the tournament referee and tournament manager.

XIII. RESTRICTION FOR COURT OFFICIALS AND COACHES

1. Court officials will not be allowed to officiate in a match if he/she is under the influence of liquor (alcoholic beverages).
2. Smoking is strictly prohibited within the playing area – let us make Badminton smoke – free competition.

XIV. UNFORSEEN EVENT

1. The decision of the referee on any disputes during the competition shall be final.
2. The ongoing ties/matches will be impossible to continue; such ties/matches will be continued later from the point where it was disrupted.