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YONEX WAIKATO INTERNATIONAL 2020

HAMILTON, NEW ZEALAND

26-29 March 2020

- National Association:** Badminton New Zealand
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Website: www.badminton.org.nz
- Event Organiser:** Waikato Badminton Association
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- Event Director:** Marianne Loh
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- Event websites:** www.badminton.org.nz and www.waikatobadminton.co.nz
- Dates:** Thursday 26 – Sunday 29 March 2020
- Venue:** Eastlink Badminton Stadium
30 Old Farm Rd, Hamilton East, New Zealand
- Sanctioned by:** Badminton Oceania and Badminton World Federation – International Series
- Referee:** Sandra David
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Entries close:

International entries close Tuesday 25 February 2020, 23:59 hours BWF Headquarters time (+8:00 hours GMT). New Zealand Player entries close Thursday 20 February 2020, 23:59 local time.

Entries:

All players in the tournament will be deemed to have read and accepted the conditions under which the tournament events are to be conducted. The competition regulations of the BWF shall apply.

The organisers will NOT be responsible for any injury sustained, at any time, by any player or official arising from their participation in this Tournament. Any costs incurred for medical treatment and/or hospitalisation shall be borne by the Member Association of the player/official concerned.

All New Zealand players are to submit their entry and entry fee online by 20 February 2020 23:59 local time on the following link: <http://bit.ly/35RwrqX>

All International entries are to be submitted online by the competitors' National Badminton Association (MA). Member Associations are to log onto YONEX Waikato International 2020 and submit the entries online at: <http://bit.ly/2rBViQk>

A username and password is required to submit entries. This can be obtained from the BWF. Please contact Shan Ramachandran at s.ramachandran@bwfbadminton.org

The online entry page will automatically close on Tuesday 25 February 2020 at 23:59 hours BWF Headquarters time (+08:00h GMT) and you are required to submit the entries on time. Late entries will not be accepted.

After the closing date, the BWF Online Entry System will send a notification to all participating Member Associations confirming receipt of final entries. Receipt of this notification is the conclusive evidence of receipt of entries before the deadline. The Member Associations should contact BWF immediately if such notice is not received by the Wednesday (next day of the entries closing date) by noon BWF Headquarters time (+08.00h GMT) following close of entries.

If no objection is received by BWF by Thursday 27 February 2020 (second day after the entries closing day) 23.59 hours BWF Headquarters time (+08.00h GMT) following the close of entries, the entries shall be deemed to be correct. No complaints / objections shall be entertained after this point.

Events:

Event	Entries		Qualifying Round Maximum entries
	Main Draw	Qualifiers	
Men's Singles	56	8	16
Women's Singles	28	4	8
Men's Doubles	28	4	8
Women's Doubles	28	4	8
Mixed Doubles	28	4	8



Entry Fees:

All players are required to pay entry fees.

The entry fee for New Zealand players is NZD\$115 per player.

The entry fee for International players is USD\$100 per player.

MA's will be invoiced after entries close with payment due by 24 March 2020.

No refunds for withdrawals will be given after the draw is published on 10 March 2020.

Seedings and Draws:

Entries Close	25 February 2020
World Ranking date for M & Q	25 February 2020
Publish M & Q	28 February 2020
World Ranking date for Seeding	03 March 2020
Publish Seeding Report	06 March 2020
Last Date for Withdrawal without penalty	09 March 2020
Draw Date	10 March 2020

Prize Money: \$10,000USD – prize money will be paid in NZD at the event. Local taxes may apply.

	MS	WS	MD (Pair)	WD (Pair)	XD (Pair)
Winner	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$1,100
Runner-up	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500
Semi-finalists per player/pair	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200

****Losing semi-finalists will be provided with their prizemoney at the conclusion of the semi-finals****

Hours of Play:

Thursday 26 March	Qualifying Events	From 9am	4 courts
	Championship Events	From 12pm	4 courts
Friday 27 March	Championship Events	From 9am	4 courts
Saturday 28 March	Quarter Finals	From 10am	4 courts
	Semi Finals	From 5pm	2 courts
Sunday 29 March	Finals	From 10am	1 court

****The above times and schedule may be changed at the discretion of the Referee and Event Organiser****

Players must be available to play 10 minutes before their scheduled time.

Practice Courts:

Practice courts at the tournament venue will be available as from Tuesday 24 March. Please complete and email the Practice Court Request Form to events@waikatobadminton.co.nz by **Monday 16 March**. Requests after this date may not be accommodated.



Meeting Times:

The Managers meeting will be held at Novotel Tainui on Wednesday 25 March at 7pm. All countries to ensure they have a representative at this meeting. *It is compulsory that all team managers must attend the team managers meeting. Failing to attend the meeting a Member Association may be fined USD\$250 by Badminton Oceania. Member Associations can make a request someone to represent them at the meeting as long as the Referee is advised in advance.*

Withdrawals:

Withdrawals will be managed according to the BWF regulations.

Withdrawals after Monday 9 March shall automatically attract withdrawal fees as per BWF regulations.

No refunds for withdrawals will be given once the draw is published.

Withdrawals until 9 March must be initiated through online entry system by logging on to the tournament link used for sending the entry. Withdrawals after that date must be informed by e-mail to events@waikatobadminton.co.nz and the Referee Sandra David sgd@vic.chariot.net.au as soon as possible. After the player/s arrive at the venue, notification of withdrawal must be made by the Team Manager and/or player to the Referee in person.

Transport:

Transport is available from **Hamilton Airport (HLZ)** or **Auckland International Airport (AKL)** from Monday 23 March, and for players participating in the North Harbour International 2020 the week prior. Transport will be arranged in groups to suit the times of the greatest number - please be aware players and officials may be allocated a time requiring a longer wait at the airport. Transport forms with flight details must be provided no later than 16 March 2020 for pick-up and drop-off to be arranged. Any request after this date will not be accepted. Requests for a refund of taxi charges will not be entertained.

Transport will **ONLY** be provided to players and officials staying at the one of official Hotels: <https://accorconferences.co.nz/custom-offers/waikato-international-2020>

1) Novotel Hamilton Tainui Hotel

2) Ibis Hamilton Tainui Hotel

This includes airport pick-up and drop-off, transport to practice and the tournament venue

Visas:

Note that all visitors to New Zealand with the exception of New Zealand and Australian citizens must apply for either a Visa or a New Zealand Electronic Travel Authority (NZeTA) prior to travelling to New Zealand.

NZeTA – All Visa Waiver Countries (excluding Australia) must apply for a NZeTA prior to travelling to New Zealand. Please see the following link for more details: <https://www.immigration.govt.nz/new-zealand-visas/apply-for-a-visa/about-visa/nzeta>

If a visa is required to enter New Zealand, please complete the Visa Form and email to colleen@badminton.org.nz by Friday 28 February 2020. Please ensure that you allow sufficient time for the visa/s to be processed.

Competition Rules and Regulations:

The tournament will be conducted in accordance with the BWF General Competition Regulations and as per the Badminton Oceania Grade 3 Tournament Regulations.



Shuttles:

BWF approved Yonex AS30 shuttles will be used, 2 speeds will be available.

Clothing and Advertising:

Clothing and advertising are in accordance with the BWF General Competition Regulations (sections 19-23). The name of the player is Mandatory on the back of all player's shirts, the country name is optional. Players should ensure that they read these regulations and that their clothing complies with these.

Doping Control:

Doping control in badminton, in accordance with BWF Anti-Doping Regulations, is conducted out-of-competition and in-competition with the collection of urine and/or blood samples.

Athletes are responsible for any substance found in their body. Before an athlete takes any medication, they should check with their doctor, and if necessary, get a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE).

For more information about anti-doping, please visit the BWF website: <https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-doping-overview/>

Badminton Integrity:

Section 2.4 of the BWF Statutes (Code of Conduct in Relation to Betting, Wagering and Irregular Match Results) relates to anti-corruption and anti-match manipulation, and this code applies to all participants at this tournament.

To protect the integrity of BWF sanctioned tournaments, participants are not allowed to bet in any way on badminton matches, respect the principle of fair play, and shall not attempt to influence the course or result of a game or match.

Every person has an obligation to report to the BWF any approaches by anyone to gather inside information or to change the outcome of a matches.

For more information, please refer to BWF's website: <https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-match-fixing-overview/>

Compliance with General Competition Regulations Clause 7.9:

GCR 7.9: "In making or authorising entries, the Member concerned is reconfirming its acceptance, and acceptance by the Players being entered, of the BWF's regulations and Disciplinary processes."

Additional Info:

A physiotherapy service will be available free of charge to players.

The winner and runner-up in every event will be presented with a trophy and prizemoney.

Accreditation:

The maximum number of officials and coaches accreditation passes issued to each team is according to the following:

Number of Players from MA	Number of Accompanying Officials
Up to 5 players	2
6 – 10 players	3
11 – 16 players	4
17 – 25 players	5
Over 25 players	6

Additional officials' ID passes will be issued for a fee of **NZ\$10** each, payable to the tournament office.



Accommodation Information

The event has secured special rates with the following hotels. This is an early bird offer for both hotels valid until **28 February 2020**. The event takes no responsibility for availability or pricing of rooms after this date.

1) Novotel Hamilton Tainui Hotel

<https://accorconferences.co.nz/custom-offers/waikato-international-2020>

- Single Room Incl. Breakfast NZ\$225 per room / night
- Double Room Incl. Breakfast NZ\$250 per room / night

2) Ibis Hamilton Tainui Hotel

<https://accorconferences.co.nz/custom-offers/waikato-international-2020>

- Single Room Incl. Breakfast NZ\$170 per room / night
- Double Room Incl. Breakfast NZ\$190 per room / night

To book a room at either hotel please click on the below link:

<https://accorconferences.co.nz/custom-offers/waikato-international-2020>

Rates include tax and are valid for stays 23 – 30 March 2020 only. If you wish to stay outside of these dates, kindly contact the reservations team at Novotel & Ibis Tainui Hamilton:

Email: H2159-RE2@accor.com

Phone: +64 (0)7 838 1366

