

**VICTOR**  
**OCEANIA**  
CHAMPIONSHIPS



**NORTH HARBOUR 2025**



**13 – 16 FEBRUARY 2025**  
**BADMINTON NORTH HARBOUR,**  
**AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND**



# 1. General Details

<b>Host Organisation</b>	Badminton North Harbour
<b>Tournament Organiser</b>	Badminton Oceania Email: <a href="mailto:events@badmintonoceania.org">events@badmintonoceania.org</a> Website: <a href="http://www.badmintonoceania.org">www.badmintonoceania.org</a>
<b>Sanctioned by</b>	Badminton World Federation
<b>Tournament Date</b>	13 – 16 February 2025
<b>Competition Venue</b>	HARCOURTS COOPER & CO Badminton North Harbour Centre, Auckland, New Zealand
<b>Referee Team</b>	<b>Referee:</b> Peter Cocker Email: <a href="mailto:petercwa@inet.net.au">petercwa@inet.net.au</a> Phone: +61 438 286 238  <b>Deputy Referee:</b> Stephanie Ho Email: <a href="mailto:shy.nc@live.fr">shy.nc@live.fr</a> Phone: +687 793369
<b>Contact Details</b>	<b>Event Director:</b> Julie Carrel <a href="mailto:julie@badmintonoceania.org">julie@badmintonoceania.org</a> Phone: +64 21 760327



## 2. Entry Details

### Regulations (Conditions of Play)

This tournament will be conducted in accordance with, but not limited to, the Badminton World Federation (BWF) Statutes and [General Competition Regulations \(GCRs\)](#) and the [Oceania Championships Regulations](#). In the event of any dispute, the decision of the Tournament Referee will be final.

Clothing and advertising are in accordance with the BWF General Competition Regulations (sections 20-24). The name of the player is MANDATORY on the back of all the players' shirts. The country name is optional, however if it is on the shirt, it must comply with BWF regulations. Quarterfinals onwards GCR 21 regarding clothing colour will apply:

- In Singles matches opposing players must wear significantly different coloured clothing
- In doubles matches both players must wear the same colour clothing and opposing pairs must wear significantly different coloured clothing

### Eligibility

As per the BWF GCR 6.1.2 these Championships are counted as International Representation.

A Player shall be qualified to represent a Member providing the Player is in good standing with that Member and satisfies BWF GCR 6.3.1.1 Regulation and either paragraph 6.3.1.1 a), b), c) or d):

6.3.1. Holds a passport in one of the following ways:

6.3.1.1. Has not represented any other Member for three years immediately preceding the date of the Tournament, and either:

a. Holds a passport of a country whose territory the Member has jurisdiction over; or

b. Holds a passport of a country, where such passport is the generally accepted passport of the territory the Member has jurisdiction over (e.g. Players from New Caledonia holding a French passport); or

c. A Player who is a national of two or more countries at the same time may represent either one of them, as the Player may elect. However, after having represented one country the Player may not represent another country unless the Player meets the conditions set forth in Regulation 6.3.1.1 that apply to Players who have changed their nationality or acquired a new nationality; or

d. Has been registered under that Member as a "Registered Player for Entry" (Member name shown for the Player on the World Ranking and/or World Junior Ranking) for a period of minimum 3 years immediately preceding the date of the Tournament.

### Key Dates

Entry Deadline	Tuesday 14 January
World Ranking Date for M&Q Report	Tuesday 14 January
Publication Date for M&Q Report	Friday 17 January
World Ranking Date for Seeding Report	Tuesday 21 January
Publication Date for Seeding Report	Friday 24 January
Last Date to Withdraw without Penalty	Monday 3 February
Draw Date	Tuesday 4 February

### Draw Sizes

All entries will automatically go into the Main draw, there is no restriction on entries



## Entry Fees

All players are required to pay an entry fee of NZD\$120

Member Associations will be invoiced on 4 February 2025 with payment due by 10 February 2025

The Member Association that enters a player into the tournament is responsible for paying the entry fees for that player. Entry fees become due if a player is entered and has not been withdrawn by the time the draw is made. Entry fees are due for all players including any who withdraw once the draw is made. Entry fees will not be refunded in the case of a withdrawal.

## Online Entry – International Entries

Entries for this tournament must be done by the Member Association using the BWF Online. Group Entry system, using the following link: <https://bit.ly/VOC2025>

If the Member Association requires a username and password to access the system, please contact the BWF at the following email address: [s.ramachandran@bwf.sport](mailto:s.ramachandran@bwf.sport)

The entry deadline is **14 January 2025** at 23:59, BWF Headquarters time (+08:00 hrs GMT). Late entries will not be accepted.

After the entry deadline, the BWF Online Group Entry System will send 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.

Member Associations should contact BWF immediately if such notice is not received by Wednesday 15 January at 12:00 hrs BWF Headquarters time.

If no objection is received by BWF by Thursday 16 January at 23:59 hrs BWF Headquarters time, the entries shall be deemed to be correct. No complaints/objections will be entertained after this point.

## Withdrawals

Withdrawals will be managed according to the BWF regulations. Withdrawals after Monday 3 February 2025 shall automatically attract withdrawal fees as per BWF regulations.

Withdrawals until this date must be initiated through the online entry system by logging onto the tournament link used for lodging the entry.

Withdrawals after that date must be informed by email to Badminton Oceania – [events@badmintonoceania.org](mailto:events@badmintonoceania.org) and the Referee – [petercwa@inet.net.au](mailto:petercwa@inet.net.au)

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.



## 3. Tournament Details

### Prize Money and Medals

The total prizemoney pool is NZD10,000  
Prize money will be paid in NZD to the National Federation the week after the tournament.

	WINNER	RUNNER-UP	SEMIFINALIST
All Events	\$900	\$600	\$250

MD/WD/XD – per pair

Gold, Silver and Bronze medals will be awarded

### Schedule

Day	Event	Round	Courts	Start	End
Thursday 13 Feb	All Events WD	R 128, R64, R32	5	9am	10pm
Friday 14 Feb	MS/WS/MD/XD All Events	R32 R 16	5	9am	10pm
Saturday 15 Feb	All Events	Quarterfinals	3	10am	3pm
	All Events	Semifinals	2	5pm	9pm
Sunday 16 Feb	All Events	Final	1	11am	3pm

Note: The above schedule is subject to change at the discretion of the Referee

### Shuttles

VICTOR Master 1, two speeds will be available

### Practice Facilities

#### Practice Information:

- Location: Badminton North Harbour
- Number of Courts: 6
- Schedule: 10am – 2pm Wednesday 12 February for players who have not played in the Mixed Team Championships
- Booking: To complete Practice Form and submit no later than **Friday 31 January 2025**

#### Practice Shuttles Information:

- 2 shuttles per player will be issued for players attending a practice session

### Player Facilities

#### Stringing Services:

A stringing service will be available on-site for the duration of the tournament



<p><b>Team Managers' Meeting</b></p>	<p>The Team Managers' Meeting will be held:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Date: Wednesday 12 February 2024</li> <li>• Time: 2.30pm</li> <li>• Location: Badminton North Harbour</li> </ul> <p>It is mandatory for all participating Member Associations (represented by the designated Team Manager) to attend the Team Managers' Meeting. Member Associations may incur a penalty of USD150 for failing to attend.</p> <p>Member Associations are allowed to request representation by another Member Association, provided that the Referee is notified in advance and approves.</p>
<p><b>Presentation Ceremonies</b></p>	<p>All prize ceremonies will take place on Sunday 16 February immediately after the conclusion of each final. Medals will be presented to all champions, finalists and semi-finalists. Any players not attending the presentation ceremony may incur a penalty of USD250</p> <p>No equipment, including rackets and flags, is allowed to be brought onto the podium. Clothing worn during the ceremony must be in accordance with the BWF GCR.</p>
<p><b>Medical Services</b></p>	<p>First aid and physiotherapist service will be available during the tournament.</p>
<p><b>Anti-Doping</b></p>	<p>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.</p> <p>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).</p> <p>For more information about anti-doping, please visit the BWF website:  <a href="https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-doping-overview/">https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-doping-overview/</a></p>
<p><b>Badminton Integrity</b></p>	<p>Section 2.4 of the BWF Statutes (Code on The Prevention of The Manipulation of Competitions) relates to anti-corruption and anti-match manipulation, and this code applies to all participants at this tournament.</p> <p>To protect the integrity of BWF sanctioned tournaments, participants are not allowed to bet in any way on badminton matches, shall respect the principle of fair play, and shall not attempt to influence the course or result of a game or match.</p> <p>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 match(s).</p> <p>For more information, please refer to BWF's website:  <a href="https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-match-fixing-overview/">https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-match-fixing-overview/</a></p>



<p><b>Compliance with General Competition Regulations Clause 7.9</b></p>	<p>GCR 7.9:</p> <p><i>“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.”</i></p>
<p><b>Participant Agreement for Use of Photographs and Videos</b></p>	<p>Players and all members of the national delegation shall agree to give the BWF and the Tournament Organiser full television and motion picture rights, including permission to film players and members of the national delegation during all matches and activities around the Tournament, for any commercial, news or other purpose together with the right to transfer such right, including without compensation.</p>
<p><b>Transport</b></p>	<p>Transport will <b>ONLY</b> be provided to players and officials staying at the official tournament accommodation provider:</p> <p>Transport includes airport pick-up and drop-off, to and from practice and the tournament venue.</p> <p>Airport transfers will be provided from Auckland international Airport to the official accommodation providers upon request. Please complete and submit the flight details form <b>no later than Friday 31 January 2025</b>. Requests after this date <b>will not be accepted</b>. Requests for a refund of any transport charges will not be entertained.</p> <p>Transport forms <b>will not be accepted</b> from players, they must be submitted by the Member Association or the Team Manager</p> <p>Airport transfers will <u>only be provided</u> on the following days:  Arrival: Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> or Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2025  Departure: Saturday 15 – Monday 17 February 2025</p> <p>Departure flight details must be confirmed at least two (2) days in advance to the Tournament Organisers.</p>
<p><b>Visas</b></p>	<p>If a visa is required to enter New Zealand, please complete and return the Visa Request Form to <a href="mailto:events@badmintonoceania.org">events@badmintonoceania.org</a> no later than <b>Monday 16 December 2024</b> – requests after this date will not receive a support letter</p> <p>Please note that visa processing times may be long, applications should be made as early as possible</p> <p>The tournament host and hosting Member Association accepts no responsibility for withdrawals made due to late or refused visa applications.</p>



## 4. Accommodation Details

### Sunrise Garden Albany

<https://www.sunrisegarden.co.nz/>

Standard One-bedroom apartment (2 guests)	NZD205 per night
Forest View One-bedroom apartment (2 guests)	NZD215 per night
Premium Two-bedroom apartment (4 guests)	NZD430 per night
Luxury three-bedroom apartment (6 guests)	NZD860 per night

To book – please use the website [www.sunrisegarden.co.nz](http://www.sunrisegarden.co.nz)

When booking, add the code **badminton** in the special instructions. They will then adjust the rate accordingly to those above and confirm this with you.

### Ramada Albany

<https://www.marsdenhotels.co.nz/ramadaalbany>

Studio Room (2 x single beds or 1 x King bed)	NZD209 per night
1 Bedroom (1 king bed)	NZD239 per night
2 Bedroom (4 single beds or 2 x king beds) availability)	NZD420 per night (limited)

To book - please use the link below

<https://www.swiftbook.io/inst/#home?propertyId=562NThn4WanTPRv3nJKnNzL5rU9Xj2z9YI5ODg=&JDRN=Y&fixp=bnVsbEBCT0ZFQg==>

Booking code: **BOFEB**

## KEY DATES

Monday 16 December 2024	Last day for visa request forms to be submitted
Tuesday 14 January 2025	Entries Close
Tuesday 14 January 2025	WR date for M & Q
Friday 17 January 2025	M & Q Published
Tuesday 21 January 2025	WR date for seeding
Friday 24 January 2025	Seeding released
Friday 31 January 2025	Last day for the transport form to be submitted
Friday 31 January 2025	Last day for the practice request form to be submitted
Monday 3 February 2025	Last day for withdrawal without penalty
Tuesday 4 February 2025	Draw
Monday 10 February 2025	Entry fee payment due
Wednesday 12 February 2025, 2.30pm	Team Managers meeting

