

Oceania Junior Mixed Team Championships

Roy Ward Trophy

1. DEFINITION

- 1.1 The Oceania Junior Mixed Team Championships shall be played in odd number years. All Member Associations of the Badminton Oceania Confederation (BOC) shall be entitled to take part
- 1.2 The Championships shall be played every second year, (odd number years) and shall be played in conjunction with the Oceania Junior Championships (individual events).
- 1.3 BOC to determine the dates when the Junior Mixed Team Championships take place
- 1.4 BOC to apply to the BWF for sanction of the Championships at least 9 months prior to the commencement of the Championships
- 1.5 Each Member Association may only enter one team into the competition
- 1.6 A team shall constitute of a minimum of two male and two female, and a maximum of twelve players
- 1.7 The winner of each tournament shall be regarded as the Oceania Champions and shall be presented with the perpetual trophies and medals
- 1.8 The winners of the Junior Mixed Team Championships shall be awarded the Roy Ward Trophy.

2. RIGHTS

BOC owns all rights and commercial activities, including but not limited to, internet, television, radio, sound, moving pictures, players' images and logos, in connection with the event. In determining the financial arrangements at each venue with the Host Organiser, BOC may grant licenses and concession in respect of such rights, including the direct grant of all or part of such rights to the Host Organiser and/or commercial organisations.

3. RESPONSIBILITIES AND FINANCE

- 3.1 BOC shall be overall responsible for the organisation of the Tournament.
- 3.2 BOC shall allocate responsibility for hosting the Tournament on organisational, financial and commercial terms it agrees with the hosting Member in the Host Contract
- 3.3 Each Member Association is responsible for all travel, accommodation, uniforms, entry fees and operations of their teams/players
- 3.4 BOC will advise an official tournament accommodation provider and is obligated to provide airport transfers, transport to and from this venue to the practice and competition venue at no charge to the teams. Member Associations not staying in the official accommodation are responsible for organising and meeting the cost of their own transport, including airport transfers. For avoidance of doubt, if players are not staying at the tournament accommodation, they cannot be provided transport from the airport to the tournament venue
- 3.5 An entry fee will be set for each team entered payable to BOC. To be advised in the tournament invitation

- 3.6 Teams withdrawing within 6 weeks of the competition will be charged a withdrawal fee of USD\$750
- 3.7 If a team arrives late or departs early, for any reason whatsoever, and such conflicts with the team's ability to play or complete their scheduled matches, the Member Association shall receive a fine of USD1,000
- 3.8 Teams will be provided with a fair and reasonable number of practise courts, at no charge, based on the number of players in their team and the total number of players/teams in the Championships, as from two (2) days prior to the start of the competition. Any courts required prior to this may incur a charge by the organiser
- 3.9 Teams will be provided with one dozen of the competition shuttles for practice

4. GENERAL ORGANISATION

- 4.1 The Competitions shall be conducted in accordance with the Laws of Badminton. The General Competition Regulations will apply except where specific provisions are contained in these Regulations. Where there is any conflict or apparent conflict, the Regulations for the Sudirman Cup shall take precedence
- 4.2 The Referee and Deputy Referee(s) shall be appointed by BOC.
- 4.3 Umpires shall be appointed by BOC and the Host Organiser. It is recommended that there is a minimum of three umpires from an MA other than the host and a minimum of two Continental or higher-level umpires
- 4.4 The minimum age for line judges is 16 years old. A minimum of two line judges per match to be provided by the host for pool play with a minimum of four line judges per match for the semi-finals and finals

5 Eligibility to Compete

- 5.1 Players shall be eligible to represent a Member Association in accordance with BWF Competition Regulation 6 – International Representation
- 5.2 Participation in the Oceania Junior Mixed Teams Championships shall be restricted to players in good standing with their national organisation
- 5.3 All players must be under the age of 19 years on December 31 of the year in which the tournament is held.
- 5.4 A copy of birth certificate/ citizenship certificate/passport to be supplied if requested

6 FILING OF ENTRIES

- 6.1 Not later than four months before the date of the Championships, BOC shall send to all Member Associations an invitation to compete.
- 6.2 Entries may be submitted only by Member Associations and shall be made online. Entries close on the Tuesday immediately preceding 72 days prior to the start of the tournament
- 6.3 The BOC Executive Board shall have the power to reject the entry of any Member Association:
 - 6.3.1 which contains a condition unresolved at the time entries close;
 - 6.3.2 whose entry is considered against the interest of the Championships or the game; or
 - 6.3.3 does not meet the requirement of being in "good standing" as defined in the BOC Constitution

- 6.3.4 BOC shall have the power to reject a member of a team due to incorrect date of birth

7 SEEDING and DRAW

- 7.1 The participating teams will be ranked based on the overall strength of the team
- 7.1.1 The overall strength of the team will be determined based on the World Ranking or World Junior Ranking list as at the Tuesday immediately preceding 60 days prior to the start of the tournament
- 7.1.1.1 Total ranking points of highest ranked one men's singles player, one women's singles player, one men's doubles pair, one women's doubles pair and one mixed doubles pair from each country shall be compared to determine the overall strength of the team
- 7.1.2 Where no world ranking is available the ranking points will be taken as zero
- 7.1.3 World ranking points of Mixed Nationality pairs ranking points shall not be included in the team ranking
- 7.1.4 General competition regulation 11.6.1 shall be applied for the next ranked pair of the same nationality in replacement of a Mixed nationality pair in the world ranking
- 7.1.5 On such determination, all the teams will be ranked in their order of strength
- 7.2 On the Monday immediately preceding 45 days prior to the start of the tournament BOC to advise the draw format for the tournament
- 7.3 Where there are seven (7) or fewer teams a round robin format shall be used, played over a maximum of three (3) days. Three rounds to be played on the first day of play, with two rounds on the followed two days. The draw shall be made to ensure the two (2) top ranked teams play each other in the final round.
- 7.4 Where there are eight (8) or more teams, the competition shall be played in Groups with semi-finals and a final – time permitting. The final format to be determined by Badminton Oceania based on final entries.
- 7.4.1 The draw to be made with the top two ranked teams in separate groups; the third and fourth ranked teams to be in separate groups based on a random draw. All other places in each group to be determined by a random draw
- 7.4.2 The competition to be played over a maximum of three days with teams playing a maximum of two ties per day where possible. In some instances, the draw format may require teams to play three ties per day; if this is the case, where possible teams to play the greater number of ties on day one of the competition

8 Group Ranking Order

- 8.1 If two teams have won the same number of ties, the ranking will be decided by the result of the tie between them;
- 8.2 If three or more teams have won the same number of ties, ranking will be decided by the total number of matches won. If this leaves two teams equal, ranking will be decided by the result of the tie between them;
- 8.3 If three or more teams have won the same number of ties and the same number of matches, ranking will be decided by the difference between total points won and total points lost, with the greater difference ranked higher.

- 8.4 If this leaves two teams equal, ranking will be decided by the result of the tie between them.
- 8.5 If three or more teams have won the same number of ties and the same number of matches, have the same difference between total points won and total points lost, ranking will be decided by drawing lots.
- 8.6 A conceded match shall count as if completed without the conceding side scoring another point.
- 8.7 All results of any team that has been disqualified or withdraws shall be entirely deleted.

9 TEAM MANAGER

- 9.1 Each Member Association must have designated Team Manager with the MA to, at least 60 days prior to the tournament, advise BOC of the name and contact details of the Team Manager
- 9.2 The Team Manager to be the main point of contact with BOC with regards to all matters regarding the tournament
- 9.3 From the time of arrival at the venue, the Team Manager shall assume all administrative and other responsibilities on behalf of the member association and team concerned in connection with the conduct of the competition.
- 9.4 The Team Manager shall attend any meeting called by the Organisers or Referee. Failure to attend the Team Managers meeting may incur a penalty fee of USD250

10 NOMINATION OF TEAMS

- 10.1 Each competing member is responsible for determining the criteria and method of selecting players for nomination, and for nominating players, to represent the Member
- 10.2 Each competing Member Association shall, nominate a Team List of not fewer than two male and two female players and not more than 12 players, no later than 14 days prior to the start of the tournament
- 10.3 A tie comprises of 10 matches:
 - Two Men's Singles*
 - Two Women's Singles*
 - Two Men's Doubles*
 - Two Women's Doubles*
 - Two Mixed Doubles*

The winner of the team tie will be the team reaching 110 points first

- The first match will play one game to 11 points (change of court end at 6 points)
- The second match will start at the score of the first match and continue from that score, however in a way where the losing player/pair of the first match will have achieved a minimum of 5 points or the actual number of points reached whatever is more.
- The second match will play until one of the players/pairs reach 22 points (shift of court end when reaching 17 points).
- The third match will start at the score of the second match and continue from that score, however in a way where the losing player/pair of the second match will have achieved a minimum of 10 points or the actual number of points reached whatever is more.
- The third match will play until one of the players/pairs reach 33 points (shift of court end when reaching 28 points).

- The fourth match will start at the score of the third match and continue from that score, however in a way where the losing player/pair of the third match will have achieved a minimum of 15 points or the actual number of points reached whatever is more.
- The fourth match will play until one of the players/pairs reach 44 points (shift of court end when reaching 39 points).
- The fifth match will start at the score of the fourth match and continue from that score, however in a way where the losing player/pair of the fourth match will have achieved a minimum of 20 points or the actual number of points reached whatever is more.
- The fifth match will play until one of the players/pairs reach 55 points (shift of court end when reaching 50 points).
- The sixth match will start at the score of the fifth match and continue from that score, however in a way where the losing player/pair of the fifth match will have achieved a minimum of 25 points or the actual number of points reached whatever is more.
- The sixth match will play until one of the players/pairs reach 66 points (shift of court end when reaching 61 points).
- The seventh match will start at the score of the sixth match and continue from that score however in a way, where the losing player/pair of the sixth match will have achieved a minimum of 30 points or the actual number of points reached whatever is more.
- The seventh match will play until one of the players/pairs reach 77 points (shift of court end when reaching 72 points).
- The eighth match will start at the score of the seventh match and continue from that score, however in a way, where the losing player/pair of the seventh match will have achieved a minimum of 35 points or the actual number of points reached whatever is more.
- The eighth match will play until one of the players/pairs reach 88 points (shift of court end when reaching 83 points).
- The ninth match will start at the score of the eighth match and continue from that score, however, in a way, where the losing player/pair of the eighth match will have achieved a minimum of 40 points or the actual number of points reached whatever is more.
- The ninth match will play until one of the players/pairs reach 99 points (shift of court end when reaching 94 points).
- The 10th and final match will start at the score of the ninth match and continue from that score, however in a way, where the losing player/pair of the ninth match will have achieved a minimum of 45 points or the actual number of points reached whatever is more.
- The 10th match will play until one of the players/pairs reach 110 points and thereby wins the tie (shift of court end when reaching 105 points).

10.4 No player shall play in more than four matches.

10.5 A player can play one, two, three or four matches in a tie.

10.6 If a player is playing in two consecutive matches, they shall not be allowed any additional rest

10.7 If, as a result of injury or illness sustained after arrival at the venue, a team has only one male or one female player, that player may play in only four matches, and the remaining matches involving that player's gender shall be conceded to the opposing side.

10.8 If, for the above reasons, the team is reduced to two players only, either both of the same gender, or one of each gender, the whole tie shall be conceded.

- 10.9 For each tie the Team manager shall submit to the Referee, at a time to be decided by the Referee, the composition of the team, where the players are from those previously nominated (10.2)

11 SUBSTITUTION

- 11.1 After the Nomination of the Team List the Referee may approve a substitute or substitutes for a player(s) who, in the opinion of the Referee, is incapacitated by injury, illness, accident or other unavoidable hindrance.
- 11.2 No substitution is allowed after the nomination of a team for a tie is submitted except substitutions of players of the same gender can be made prior to the start of each match. No substitutions can be made during a match.
- 11.3 For players/pairs withdrawing or retiring from a tie, GCR Regulation 13.6.2 applies.
- 11.4 If a player/pair retires due to an injury, the concerning match shall be conceded in favour of the opponent, following the points structure outlined in clause 12.
(Example: While leading 28-23 against Team B in the second match of the tie, the Team A player/pair has sustained a significant injury and decided to retire; the match shall be awarded to Team B, completing the score as 28-33.)
- 11.5 In the event of an injury sustained during the tie, the following substitutions can be made subject to the approval of the Referee:
- 11.5.1 For a team of two men and two women: If one of the two men or one of the two women designated to play in the tie is injured, that remaining male player or remaining female player may play in the remaining matches.
- 11.5.2 If the team is reduced to only two players, either of the same gender or one of each gender, the whole tie shall be conceded.
- 11.5.3 For a team of more than two men and two women: If one or more of the men or one or more of the women designated to play in the tie are injured, another player of the team may play in the remaining matches.

12 ORDER OF PLAY

- 12.1 The two Team Managers will submit their team composition not later than two hours before the start of each tie.
- 12.2 Before the team tie starts, a draw will be made between the Team Managers who will choose the first match to be played.
- 12.3 The first five matches of the tie must contest one of each of the disciplines (i.e. MS, WS, MD, WD, and XD).
- 12.4 The winner of the draw will choose the first and third matches.
- 12.5 The opposing team will choose the second and fourth matches.
- 12.6 The match not having been chosen will be played fifth.
- 12.7 The last five matches (matches six to 10) follow the same order as the first five matches already determined as per above.

13 DISQUALIFICATION

- 13.1 The Referee may disqualify any team which fails to report its arrival for the Tournament in time to complete in the first schedule match of the team
- 13.2 The Referee has power to disqualify any team which fails to carry out its required programme, or whose team manager fails to attend any briefing meeting called by the BWF or the Referee.

- 13.3 The Referee shall have power to disqualify at any stage of the Tournament: any team which had failed to carry out its obligations or breaches the regulations of the BOC or BWF; or
- 13.4 A player, or a team that includes a player, breaching the Anti-Doping Regulations.

15 ADVERTISING AND CLOTHING

- 13.1 The BWF Competition Regulations on advertising and clothing apply
- 13.2 A team must all wear the same colour of shirts and shorts
- 13.3 It is optional (although highly recommended) that players have their name on the back of their shirt. Lettering must be at a height of 6-10cm
- 13.4 It is mandatory that players have the Country name on the back of their shirt. The country name must be printed at a height of 5cm

14. SHUTTLECOCKS

- 14.1 The make and speed of shuttlecocks shall be BWF approved.
- 14.2 Two speeds of shuttle must be available for the tournament. The Referee is the sole determinant of the speed of shuttle to be used
- 14.3 Teams are entitled to, free of charge, from the organisers, 1 dozen of the same shuttle to be used for the tournament for practise. Additional shuttles may be purchased from the organiser

15. TROPHIES and MEDALS

- 15.1 The Oceania perpetual trophy shall be awarded to the winner of the competition
- 15.2 The perpetual trophy to be retained and engraved by BOC
- 15.3 Gold, Silver and Bronze medals shall be awarded to all named members in a team who are present at the tournament and presentation ceremony plus the Coach and Manager
- 15.4 It is mandatory that all teams receiving medals attend the presentations and wear team uniform. If a team fails to attend the presentations, they may be fined USD500 by BOC

16 ALTERATIONS TO REGULATIONS

BOC has the power to make and publish amendments to these regulations

Time-Lines	Action
4 months prior to start of tournament	Tournament invitation issued to all MAs
Tuesday immediately preceding 72 days prior to the start of the tournament	Entries Close
60 days prior to the start of the tournament	Tentative Schedule circulated
60 days prior to the start of the tournament	Team Managers to be notified to BOC
Tuesday immediately preceding 60 days prior to the start of the tournament	WR date for determining the seeding and groups
Monday immediately preceding 45 days prior to the start of the tournament	Draws for group play
14 days prior to the start of the tournament	Team player nominations due