

YONEX MELBOURNE INTERNATIONAL 2026



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1. General Details

Host Member	Badminton Victoria Website: https://www.badmintonvic.com.au/
Tournament Director	Nick Pettitt
Sanctioned by	Badminton World Federation and Badminton Oceania
Tournament Date	18 November – 22 November 2026
Competition Venue	Melbourne Sports & Aquatic Centre 30 Aughtie Dr, Albert Park, Victoria, Australia
Referees	Referee: Peter Cocker (AUS) Email: petercwa@inet.net.au Phone: +61 438 286 238 Deputy Referee: Lisa Connell (NZL) Email: lisamaynz@gmail.com Phone: +64 21315 322 Local Deputy Referee: Yu Husan (Janice) Tai (AUS) Email: yhtai8330@gmail.com Phone: +61 434 426 970
Contact Details	Tournament Director: Nick Pettitt Email: events@badmintonvic.com.au Phone: +61 39684777
Insurance coverage	Players and all members of the national delegation shall hold valid insurance for damages of any nature caused to third parties. Such insurance shall cover bodily injury, including medical and hospitalisation expenses incurred in the host country, as well as all expenses and costs associated with repatriating the injured party to its country of residence.
Indemnity	To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, all players and members of the national delegation shall release the BWF, Badminton Oceania, the Tournament Organiser, and their respective officers, officials, employees, agents and representatives, from any and all liability, damage, loss, cost or expense that such players and members of the national delegation may incur as a result or in connection with their participation to the Tournament.
Participant Agreement for Use of Photographs and Videos	By entering the Tournament, Players and all members of the national delegation grant the BWF, Badminton Oceania and the Tournament Organiser full rights to use their images and likenesses in photographs, television footage, and other recordings taken during matches or tournament-related activities. These rights include use for any commercial, news, promotion, or other purpose, together with the right to transfer such right without compensation.



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 Badminton Oceania Grade 3 Tournament 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. Players should ensure that they read these regulations and that their clothing complies with these regulations.																								
Scoring	Best of three games to 21 points, as per the Laws of Badminton (BWF Statute 4.1)																								
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Draw	The draw will be made Tuesday 10 November 2026. After the draw has been made, no alterations or substitutions are permitted except for the moving of entries in the main draw to fill positions of seeds who withdraw prior to the end of the team managers meeting as per BWF General Competition Regulations Clause 11.3																								
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Entry Fees	All players are required to pay entry fees. The entry fee for all International players is USD130.00 The entry fee for all Local players is AUD150.00 Member Associations will be invoiced on Wednesday 11 November 2026 with payment due by Monday 16 November 2026. Players will not be able to take to the court until their entry fee is paid.																								



	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 Last Date to Withdraw without Penalty. Entry fees will not be refunded in the case of a withdrawal after the Last Date to Withdraw without Penalty.
Online Entry – International Entries	Entries for this tournament must be made by the Member Association using the BWF Online Group Entry system, using the following link: https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/tournament/6AE910A3-0ACF-491C-8494-1B911D41ABFA If the Member Association requires a username and password to access the system, please contact the BWF at the following email address: technicalevents@bwf.sport The entry deadline is Tuesday 20 October 2026 at 23:59, BWF Headquarters time (+08:00 hrs GMT). Late entries will not be accepted.
Australian Entries	Australian players to enter individually at: https://ba.tournamentsoftware.com/tournament/CDAF9FB5-70FE-4FA7-96BE-8F258FF989B9 submitting their entry and entry fee by Tuesday 13 October 2026 at 23:59 local time. 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 21 October 2026 at 12:00 hrs BWF Headquarters time. If no objection is received by BWF by Thursday 22 October 2026 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 BWF GCR 13 & 14 regulations. Withdrawals after Monday 9 November 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 all people as listed: Tournament Director: Nick Pettitt events@badmintonvic.com.au Referee: Peter Cocker petercwa@iinet.net.au Deputy Referee: Lisa Connell lisamaynz@gmail.com Local Deputy Referee: Yu Husan (Janice) Tai yhtai8330@gmail.com 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

Total prize money is USD5,000. Prize money will be paid to Member Associations within two weeks of the conclusion of the tournament by Badminton Oceania.

	WINNER	RUNNER-UP
Singles	USD650	USD350
Doubles (per pair)	USD650	USD350

Schedule

Day	Event	Round	Courts	Start
Wed 18 November	All events	Q	4	10am
	MS	64	4	12pm
	XD, WS	32		
Thurs 19 November	MS, MD, WD	32	4	10am
Fri 20 November	All Events	R16	4	12pm
Sat 21 November	All Events	Quarterfinals	3	10am
		Semifinals	2	5pm
Sun 22 November	All events	Finals	1	11am

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

Shuttles

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

Practice Facilities

Practice Facility Information:

- Location: Melbourne Sports & Aquatic Centre
- Dates Available:
 - Monday 16 November – 4 courts
 - Tuesday 17 November – 3 courts
- Times Available: 10am to 8pm

Competition Courts Information:

- Location: Melbourne Sports & Aquatic Centre
- Number of Courts: 4
- Date available: Tuesday 17 November
- Times Available: 10am to 8pm

Practice on the competition courts will be allocated on a fair and equitable basis based on arrival times and number of players per country.

Booking/Reservation information: To complete the Practice Form by Friday 6 November 2026: <https://bit.ly/2026MIPractice>

There is no separate venue for practice courts once the tournament begins, however the competition courts will be available up until 1 hour before the start of play (NB: transport cannot be provided for these practice sessions)

Practice Shuttles:

- 2 shuttlecocks per player will be issued for practice only to players who attend a practice session



	Stringing Services: Yonex Stringing Team will be providing the stringing service. Schedule: Available from Monday 16 November 2026 Cost: AUD40 including string
Umpire Briefing	The Umpire Briefing will be held: • Date: Tuesday 17 November 2026 • Time: 6pm to 7pm • Location: Melbourne Sports & Aquatic Centre Boardroom
Team Managers' Meeting	The Team Managers' Meeting will be held at the following: • Date: Tuesday 17 November 2026 • Time: 4pm to 5.30pm • Location: Melbourne Sports & Aquatic Centre Boardroom It is mandatory for all participating Member Associations (represented by the designated Team Manager) to attend the Team Managers' Meeting. Member Associations will be penalised for failing to attend as per the BOC Grade 3 regulations Member Associations are allowed to request representation by another Member Association, provided that the Tournament Referee is notified in advance and approves.
Presentation Ceremonies	All prize ceremonies will take place on Sunday 22 November 2026 immediately after the conclusion of each final. Trophies will be presented to all champions and finalists. 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.
Medical Services	First aid and physiotherapist services will be available during the tournament.
Anti-Doping	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 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. 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 match(s). 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: <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>

4. Travel & Visa Details

Transport	Transport will ONLY be provided to players and officials staying at the official tournament accommodation providers – Shadowplay by Peppers. Transport includes airport pick-up and drop-off, to and from practice and the tournament venue. Airport transfers will be provided from Melbourne International Airport to Shadowplay by Peppers upon request. Please complete and submit the flight details form no later than Friday 6 November 2026: https://script.google.com/macros/2026MITransport Requests after this date cannot be accepted. Requests for a refund of taxi charges will not be entertained. Departure flight details must be confirmed at least two (2) days in advance to the tournament organisers.
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Visas

Visa:

If a visa is required to enter **Australia**, please complete the Visa Form by Wednesday 21 October 2026 and email to visa.ba.events@gmail.com

Please ensure you allow sufficient time for the Visa/s to be processed.

RELEVANT VISA INFORMATION

<https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-finder>

Badminton Victoria accepts no responsibility for withdrawals made due to late or refused visa applications.

5. Accommodation Details

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Shadowplay by Peppers

308/320 City Rd, Southbank VIC 3000

<https://www.peppers.com.au/shadow-play/>

A special event rate is available at the hotel for the period 15-23 November.

2Bedroom / 1bathroom @AUD295 each per night (bedding configurations = 2 x queen beds OR 1 x queen and 2 x single beds)

2Bedroom / 2bathroom @ AUD325 each per night (bedding configurations = 2 x queen beds OR 1 x queen and 2 x single beds)

This rate does not include breakfast.

To book this please complete use this link

<https://bit.ly/2026MIHotel>

For bookings outside these dates please book directly with the hotel.

Key Dates

Tuesday 20 October 2026	Entries Close
Tuesday 20 October 2026	WR date for M & Q
Wednesday 21 October 2026	Last day for visa request forms to be submitted
Friday 23 October 2026	M & Q Published
Friday 6 November 2026	Last day for the transport form to be submitted
Friday 6 November 2026	Last day for the practice request form to be submitted
Monday 9 November 2026	Last day for withdrawal without penalty
Tuesday 10 November 2026	WR date for seeding & seeding published
Tuesday 10 November 2026	Draw
Monday 16 November 2026	Entry fee payment due
Tuesday 17 November 2026	Umpire Briefing
Tuesday 17 November 2026	Team Managers' meeting

