

## **4. BADMINTON**

### **4.1 GENERAL TERMS**

The badminton competitions shall be organised in accordance with the most recent technical regulations of the Badminton World Federation (BWF). In any dispute the English text shall be regarded as authoritative.

The programme and duration of competitions are fixed by the Executive Committee in agreement with the Organising Committee and the CTI. The competitions shall last seven (7) days and include the following events:

#### **I. Individual Tournament**

There are five (5) disciplines:

Men's singles

Women's singles

Men's doubles

Women's doubles

Mixed doubles

A country may enter players as follows: up to a maximum of three (3) singles players in each of the singles disciplines or three (3) pairs in each of the doubles disciplines, on the condition that no player plays in more than two (2) disciplines, e.g. one (1) singles discipline and one (1) doubles discipline, or alternatively in two doubles disciplines.

#### **II. Team Tournament**

A country shall enter players in the team tournament in the following events:

One (1) men's singles player

One (1) women's singles player

One (1) men's doubles pair

One (1) women's doubles pair

One (1) mixed doubles pair

The minimum size for a team is four (4) players (two (2) men and two (2) women).

Each country is authorised to enter in each gender category a maximum of six (6) competitors

Participation in both events (individual tournament and team tournament) is subject to a maximum size of delegation. This means that each country is authorised to enter a maximum of seventeen (17) persons, of which twelve (12) may be competitors and five (5) officials.

At the first General Technical Meeting, the Head of Delegation or his/her representative shall confirm and sign the official list of competitors accredited by the CIC.

### **4.2 PRE-COMPETITION PROCEDURE**

Three months before the Championship, the Organising Committee has the right to collect 25% of the total cost of stay per athlete and official from participating countries.

#### 4.2.1 Team Tournament

The event should be played in groups of 3 or 4 teams. The draw should be based on the FISU team ranking results from the last 4 team events of the teams present. The top teams should be seeded in the same order unless substantial changes have occurred since the last tournament.

After the group ranking is established, a new draw shall be made to determine the winners, losers and lower-ranked group teams that will participate in a knockout system in a quarter-final round. In this second draw the group winners are seeded. Losers in the quarter-finals will play on to establish a full ranking. Winners play semi-finals and finals. Losing semi-finalists are both awarded bronze medals.

#### 4.2.2 Individual Tournament

The seeding in the individual draw is based on the ranking in the BWF database and the FISU team ranking of the team to which the individual players belong. Exceptionally strong performance in the previous team event may also be considered by the referee in deciding the seeding.

The level of strength of the participating players in each category will determine which BWF ranking level is necessary for participants to be awarded a seeding. This threshold shall be decided by the FISU TD. The remaining number of seeds in each category shall be filled according to the FISU team ranking the players belong to. If the highest ranked player in a team is already seeded according to BWF ranking, the player ranked number two in the team shall be seeded. The referee may decide to seed a player who has done exceptionally well in the previous team event, thus not considering the team ranking principle for that player.

#### 4.2.3 Software

The software to be used for the draw shall be the one used and approved by BWF, called Tournament Planner.

This software is compatible with the BWF database for players ranking and delivers the draw and scheduling in accordance with the tournament regulations of BWF.

The software also supports the management of tournaments in real time and the scoring by umpires. Finally, the software should be compatible with the FISU Online Accreditation System.

#### 4.2.4 Draw

The draw should be done the day before the start of the tournament and the participants must be accredited at the latest at 18:00 the day before the draw.

The participants have to be screened by both CISCA and the Technical Committee.

## **4.3 TECHNICAL OFFICIALS**

### **4.3.1 Nomination and costs.**

Technical Officials shall be appointed jointly by BWF and the FISU Technical Delegate. The Organising Committee shall bear their cost of travel, board and lodging (from two (2) days before the opening ceremony to one (1) day after the closing ceremony).

Other costs are referenced in the FISU – BWF partnership agreement.

### **4.3.2 Numbers of technical officials and qualifications**

ITOs shall be either qualified umpires certified or accredited by BWF or umpires certified at continental level. These umpires shall guarantee neutrality in all team and individual events.

NTOs shall be accredited at continental level. When not possible, their qualification shall be the highest national accreditation/certification.

A session shall last three (3) hours, with a maximum of four (4) sessions per day.

Depending on the size of the tournament, the number of umpires may vary from twenty-four (24) to forty-eight (48), of whom eight (8) to sixteen (16) must be ITOs in order to guarantee neutrality and qualification.