

Smashing Yodha Badminton Tournament 2022

Tournament format

- The teams will be divided into 4 groups.
- Every team in a group will play against every other team in round robin format.
- Top ranked teams will go to the semi finals.
- Semifinals/ Final will be played in knock out format. If time permits, Semifinals/ Final will be played for 3 sets of 21 points each. If we are short of time for any reason it will be 21 points out of 1 set.
- If any two teams have the same wins, the result of the game played against each other will be taken into account. If it still can't be decided, whichever team scores the most points (total points of all games) in all group games will progress to the next level. The semi-finals and finals will be played for a set of 21 points.
- Intermediate teams will not play with advanced teams.

Scoring

1. The 21 points Format scoring system will be used for the tournament which is currently the official format used by the International Badminton Federation.
2. To win a game, you have to score 21 points
3. There is no "service over", meaning you can score a point no matter who serves.
4. If a score becomes 20-20, the side which scores 2 consecutive points shall win that game.
5. If the score becomes 24-24, the side that scores the 25th point shall win that game.

Shuttles used for tournament

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Rules of play:

- A game starts with a toss of the shuttle.
- Whoever wins the toss gets to choose
 - If they want to start serve OR if they want to play a side of the court and ask opponent to serve first
 - The side losing the toss shall then exercise the remaining choice. The side winning a game serves first in the next game (In a game with 3 sets) and switches the side of the court.

Serve rules

1. Each side has only one 'service'. Server to call out the score before serving.
2. At the beginning of the game and when the score is even, the server serves from the right service court. When it is odd, the server serves from the left court.
3. If the serving side wins a rally, the serving side scores a point and the same server serves again from the alternate service court.
4. If the receiving side wins a rally, the receiving side scores a point. The receiving side becomes the new serving side.
5. The players do not change their respective service courts until they win a point when their side is serving.
6. How to serve?
 - a. The serve must be hit in an upwards direction, with an underarm hitting action. You are not allowed to play a tennis style serve.
 - b. The main rule here is that when you hit the shuttle, it must be below your waist. To be exact, the rules define this to be a height level with the lowest part of your ribcage.

Faults

The rules of badminton consider the following as faults:

1. If a player touches the net or its supports with racket, person or dress, invades an opponent's court over the net with racket or person except as permitted.
2. Unfortunately basket ball nets are too near to some courts , if shuttle hits the ring or net it will be a let (re serve), if shuttle hits the board attached to wall it will be a fault.
3. If a player invades an opponent's court under the net with racket or person such that an opponent is obstructed or distracted or obstructs an opponent, that prevents an opponent from making a legal stroke where the shuttle is followed over the net.
4. If a player deliberately distracts an opponent by any action (e.g. shouting, gestures).

5. If the shuttle is caught and held on the racket and then slung during the execution of a stroke.
6. If the shuttle is hit by a player and the player's partner successively or touches a player's racket and continues towards the back of that player's court.
7. If, on service, the shuttle is caught on the net and remains suspended on top, or, on service, after passing over the net is caught in the net.
8. At no time during the game should the player touch the net, with his racquet or his body or go over the net

Lets

- 'Let' is voluntarily called by a player with extreme sportsmanship if there is no umpire to halt play.
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- A 'let' may be given for any unforeseen or accidental occurrence. The rules of badminton consider the following as 'lets':
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- - If a shuttle is caught in the net and remains suspended on top or, after passing over the net, is caught in the net, it shall be a 'let' except on service.
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- - If, during service, the receiver and server are both faulted at the same time, it shall be a 'let'.
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- - If the server serves before the receiver is ready, it shall be a 'let'.
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- - If, during play, the shuttle disintegrates and the base completely separates from the rest of the shuttle, it shall be a 'let'.
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- - If a line judge is unsighted and the player is unable to make a decision, it shall be a 'let'.
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- - A 'let' may occur following a service court error. When a 'let' occurs, the play since the last service shall not count and the player who served shall serve again.

Service court errors

- A service court error has been made when a player has served out of turn, has served from the wrong service or standing on the wrong service court while being prepared to receive the service and it has been delivered.
- The service faults made by the server can be called off by the receiver. A player at their respective side will act as line judge with their integrity and shall indicate whether a shuttle landed 'in' or 'out' on the line or lines assigned.
- If a service court error is discovered after the next service had been delivered, the error shall not be corrected. If a service court error is discovered before the next service is delivered, the following rules apply.
- If both sides committed an error, it shall be a 'let'. If one side committed the error and won the rally, it shall be a 'let'. If one side committed the error and lost the rally, the error shall not be corrected.
- If there is a 'let' because of a service court error, the rally is replayed with the error corrected. If a service court error is not to be corrected, play in that game shall proceed without changing the player's new service courts.

Organisers will be doing the scores and have the final authority.

THE ORGANISERS DECISION IS FINAL