

Badminton Technical Handbook

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Technical Information

1. Dates

Badminton competition for the 3rd Asian Youth Games 2025 will be held from 27 to 30 October 2025.

2. Venues

The Badminton competition will be held in Hall D, Isa Sports City.

3. Events

The Badminton competition will consist of three (3) events; one (1) for Men Individual, one (1) for Women Individual and one (1) mixed as follows:

- Men's Singles
- Women's Singles
- Mixed Doubles

4. Competition Schedules

Date	Time	Events	Remarks
26 th October	1300hrs	Team Managers Meeting	
(Sunday)	1500hrs	Technical Officials Briefing	
27 th October	0900hrs -	Round 64	
(Monday)	2100hrs	Men's Singles, Women's Singles &	
		Mixed Doubles	
28 th October	0900hrs -	Round 32 & 16	
(Tuesday)	2100hrs	Men's Singles, Women's Singles &	
		Mixed Doubles	
29 th October	0900hrs -	Quarter Finals	
(Wednesday)	1300hrs	Men's Singles, Women's Singles &	
		Mixed Doubles	
	1700hrs -	Semi Finals	
	2000hrs	Men's Singles, Women's Singles &	
		Mixed Doubles	
30 th October	1300hrs	Finals for all Events	Victory
(Thursday)		Finals will be played	Ceremony
		consecutively.	after the
			end of
			each
			events

Note: The competition schedule may be subject to change after the completion of the final entries



5. Sport Entries

5.1 Eligibility

- Only the OCA member NOCs are entitled to send athletes to participate in the Badminton competition of the 3rd Asian Youth Games.
- Athletes participating in the Games must comply with the rules and regulations of the OCA and BA
- Any competitor in the Games must be a national of the country or region which the NOC entering the competitor belongs to.

5.2 Entry Timeline

- Entry by Sport: Deadline: 24:00 25 March, 2025 (Manama Time, GMT +3)
- Entry by Number: from 10:00 30 June 2025 to 23:59 21 July 2025 (Bahrain Time, UTC +3).
- Entry by Name: Deadline: from 10:00 1 August 2025 to 23:59 31 August 2025 (Bahrain Time, UTC +3)

5.3 Entry Policies

- Each NOC may enter a maximum of Four (4) male and Four (4) female athletes, a total of Eight (8) athletes. Athletes may be entered in more than one (1) event.
- Singles: Each NOC may enter a maximum of two (2) athletes in each Singles Event.
- Mixed Doubles: Each NOC may enter a maximum of two (2) pairs of athletes, one (1) male and one (1) female for each pair.
- Any NOC that withdraws the entry of athletes after the submission of their entries by name will be subject to disciplinary action by the OCA Executive Board.

5.4 Age Limitation

- Athlete participating in the Badminton competition must be between 14 and 17 years.
- Athletes must be born between January 2008 and 2011 (inclusive).

5.5 Late Athlete Replacement Policy

- The Late Athlete Replacement Policy is applicable to all sports of Bahrain 2025 AYG. After the Entry by Name is over, if an athlete who has confirmed his/her participation in the Games has to withdraw from the Games due to a serious injury or illness, the NOC delegation may apply the Late Athlete Replacement Policy. Athlete replacement must strictly follow the procedures and requirements approved by the OCA for such replacement.
- Deadline for Replacement
- NOCs must complete the replacement before the technical meetings of relevant sports are held.
- Reason for Replacement
- An athlete can only be replaced because of injury or illness.
- Requirements for Replacement
- The replacement athlete must:
 - 1. meet the eligibility conditions to take part in Bahrain 2025 AYG as stipulated in the OCA Constitution and Rules and the regulations of Bahrain 2025 AYG on eligibility of athletes approved by the OCA;
 - 2. have been registered for the Games.



- 3. be clear of any pending doping control issues.
- Late Athlete Replacement Procedure
 - 1. The NOC concerned needs to fill out and submit the Late Athlete Replacement Form, the Entry by Name Form and the Parent/Legal Guardian Minor Validation Form (if applicable) of the replacement athlete, and the Hospital Diagnosis Certificate of the replaced athlete to the Sport Entries Office at the Athletes Village.
 - 2. If the NOC's application for late athlete replacement is approved, the AYIAC of the replaced athlete must be invalidated before validating the AYIAC of the replacement athlete.

6. Arrival and Departure

- Teams arrival is fixed two (2) days before the competition and depart one (1) day after it ends.

7. Technical Meeting

- The technical meeting will be held within 48 hours before the commencement of the competition, and the specific time and location are to be determined.

8. Training Arrangements

- Bahrain will provide official pre-competition training services for athletes. The official training starts 3 days before the first match day. Each team can train at the competition venue at least once before and during the competition, A detailed training schedule will be developed at a later stage.

9. Competition Rules

- The Badminton competitions will be subject to the General Competition Regulations (November 2024) and the Badminton Competition Rules (November 2024) approved by the Badminton World Federation, as well as relevant international general sports rules.
- Pursuant to the OCA Constitution and Rules, the technical delegate appointed by Badminton Asia assumes the responsibility for the technical control, direction and format of the badminton competition of AYG Bahrain 2025
- Badminton Asia shall appoint one (1) Technical Delegate and a maximum of fifteen (15) International Technical Officials (ITOs); inclusive of International Referees, Umpires and Events & Technical Advisors, as required by Badminton Asia.
- National Technical Officials (NTOs) shall be appointed by Bahrain Badminton and Squash Federation (BBSF)
- The official Badminton shuttlecock to be used in the 3rd AYG is "Victor Master Ace"

10. Protest and Appeals

- Any appeals on decisions of the on-court technical officials must be made in accordance with the Laws of Badminton, i.e. such appeal must be made before the next service is delivered, or if at the end of the match, before the side appeals has left the court. Appeals shall be made by the player(s) to the umpire, coach or team manager to the Referee.



11. General Rules and Regulations

11.1 Rules

11.1.1 Eligibility Code (OCA 52)

To be eligible for participation in the OCA Games, a competitor must:

- a) Observe and abide by the Rules of the IOC/OCA as per the Olympic Charter;
- b) Respect the spirit of fair play and non-violence and abide by the rules on the sports field;
- c) Comply with all aspects of WADA and OCA Anti-Doping Rules Code and refrain from using substances and drugs prohibited by the said organisations;
- d) The Member must ensure that any competitor in the OCA Games must be a national of the country of the NOC, which is entering him;
- e) Disputes relating to the determination of the country which a competitor may represent in the OCA Games shall be resolved by the EB, unless the eligibility code already set out in the Constitution has been fulfilled and is not in dispute.

11.1.2 Nationality of Competitor (OCA By-Law 52)

- a) All cases of infringement of IOC Rule 41, 42 and it's Bye-laws and of the eligibility code of IFs shall be communicated by the concerned Member to the OCA, to be considered by the EB whose decision will be final;
- b) A competitor who is a national of two (2) or more countries at the same time may represent either one (1) of them, as he may elect. However, after having represented one country in the Olympic, Asian continental regional or world championships recognised by the relevant IF, the competitor may not represent another country unless he or she meets the conditions set forth in sub section 4 below that apply to the persons who has changed his nationality or acquired a new nationality;
- c) A competitor who has represented one country in the Olympic Games, OCA Games, continental, regional, and world championships recognised by the relevant IF, and who has changed his nationality or acquired a new nationality, shall not participate in the OCA Games to represent his new country until three years after such change or acquisition;
- d) If a State, Country or a colony acquires independence, a country becomes incorporated within another country by a change of border or transfer of sovereignty or if a new NOC is recognised by the OCA, a competitor may continue to represent the country to which he belongs or belonged. However, he may, if preferred, choose to represent his country or be entered in the OCA Games by his new NOC if one exists. This option can only be made once and is irreversible;
- e) In all cases not expressly addressed in these Bye-Laws, in particular those cases where a competitor would be in a position to represent a country other than that of which he is a national, or to have choice as to the country which he intends to represent, the EB makes all decisions. Decisions can be of a general The OCA Games 80 SEP 2017 or individual nature and issue specific requirements relating to nationality, citizenship, domicile or residence of the competitors, including the duration of any waiting period;
- f) Except as permitted by the EB, no competitor, coach or official who participates in the OCA Games may allow his person, name and picture or sports performances to be used for advertising purposes during the OCA Games.

11.1.3 Number of Entries (OCA 58)

- a) For a sport to be included in the OCA Games Programme a minimum of six (6) NOCs should enter their athletes by number and a minimum of four (4) should be physically present before the start of the competition;
- b) The maximum number of entries from each country in each sport or event is established by the Council in consultation with the Member hosting the Games and in accordance with the BA technical rules:
- c) However, the following numbers cannot be exceeded:
 - For individual events, two competitors from each Member;
 - For team events, one team per Member, the Number of competitors and reserves not to exceed the number allowed by the BA concerned;
 - For events where individual and team competitions are conducted simultaneously, and the team event is decided by the aggregate score/time of each individual member of the team, the athlete (if maximum two) participating in the individual event must be designated as such in the Entry form and only the athlete concerned will be competing in the individual event.

11.1.4 Technical Official and Jury of Appeal (OCA 59)

The BAYGOC must not receive or otherwise give official recognition to any foreign political delegation or leaders of any other mission whatsoever, without the prior written approval of the OCA. However, nobody can be discriminated against if he or she is a duly appointed official of the NOC's sports delegation.

11.1.5 Court of Appeal (OCA 79)

- a) The OCA EB on behalf of the OCA is the final Court of Appeal, which will decide all disputes of a non-technical nature concerning the OCA Games. Teams/Member NOC's, if necessary, may submit disputes to the Court of Appeal. In addition, the Court of Appeal may intervene in all disputes of a nontechnical nature outside the jurisdiction of the Juries of Appeal set up for each sport in the Programme;
- b) The Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) in association with the OCA will set up a small Ad Hoc working group from CAS that will be present and working alongside the OCA in the Asian Games period only, on the same lines as done during the Olympic Games. The participating athletes can address any issues that they may have directly with CAS, during the OCA Games.

11.1.6 Claims of Protest (OCA 80)

- a) Claims made to the Judges on grounds concerning matters of fact are decided by them without appeal;
- Appeals against other decisions of the Judges or with regard to any other matters must be addressed to the President of the Technical Jury of Appeal for the sport concerned by a representative of the team making the appeal;
- c) Exceptional circumstances apart, a claim must be made within two hours of the decision giving rise to it. The Jury, after an investigation, shall give a decision and this decision shall be irrevocable, except in the case of disqualification of a team or of a competitor for infraction of the Rules and Regulations of the OCA. In these case it shall be decided by the Court of Appeal;
- d) All claims and appeals must be made in writing.



11.1.7 Penalties in Case of Fraud (OCA 81)

A competitor proved to have transgressed by fraud the Rules of the OCA shall be disqualified and lose any position he or she may have gained. If this competitor's team is proved to have been party to the fraud, his/her team shall be disqualified in the sport involved.

12. Equipment and Clothing

 Equipment used and clothing worn by athletes and other relevant participants in badminton competition of AYG Bahrain 2025 must comply with the BWF and BA Competition regulations and OCA Rules

13. Doping Control

 During Bahrain 2025 AYG, doping control examinations will be carried out in conformity with the Rules of the OCA Medical Committee and the WADA code and quidelines.

14. <u>Victory Ceremony</u>

- The first, second and third-placed (both semifinalist) athletes will receive medals and mascots.
- Athletes finishing in the top six will be awarded victory certificates.
- All participating athletes will be provided with certificates of participation and commemorative medals.
- Before the victory ceremony starts, the medalists will be escorted to the waiting area to get ready for the ceremony. They must wear their uniforms for competition or official clothes designated by their NOCs.

15. Approval of the Technical Handbook

- The Technical Handbook has been approved by the Badminton Asia (BA) on 16th May 2025



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17. Appendices

17.1 Badminton Field of Play



