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UTM INTRAMURALS – OPEN SINGLES BADMINTON

RULES AND REGULATIONS

All Open Singles Badminton rules are set out by Badminton Canada with the following exceptions:

NUMBER OF PLAYERS

- Games may begin with 1 player per team
  - All teams will have a maximum roster size of 1 player

DEFAULTS

- Games will start on time as scheduled
- For every minute that a player is late their opponent will be given 2 points towards their total score in the first set
- If a team does not show by 10 minutes past the scheduled time, the team will lose by default
  - The default score will be records as 3-0

EQUIPMENT AND UNIFORMS

- All scheduled games will receive 2 birdie to play
- All players must wear proper athletic attire (no jeans or boots) and non-marking shoes must be worn
- Face masks are welcomed and encouraged during check-in and during physical play
- Players are required to bring their own racquets or sign out racquet from the RAWC Control Desk
  - *PLEASE NOTE: There are limited amount of racquets available to be signed out*

LENGTH OF GAMES AND SCORING SYSTEM

- All matches will consist of a best 3 out of 5 set game or best score after 45 minutes
- Matches will be played to 21 points
  - Players must win by 2 points or first to receive 25 points
- If a match cannot be completed in the time given, a combined total of 15 points must be scored in the current set in order for the set to count
  - I.E. Player 1 has 10 points & Player 2 has 8 points the set will count and Player 1 will be awarded the win *(Player 1 Points + Player 2 Points = must equal 15 points or more)*
- The league runs through a point system:

- WIN = 3 points
- TIE = 1 points
- LOSS = 0 point
- DEFAULT = -1 point

OFFICIALS

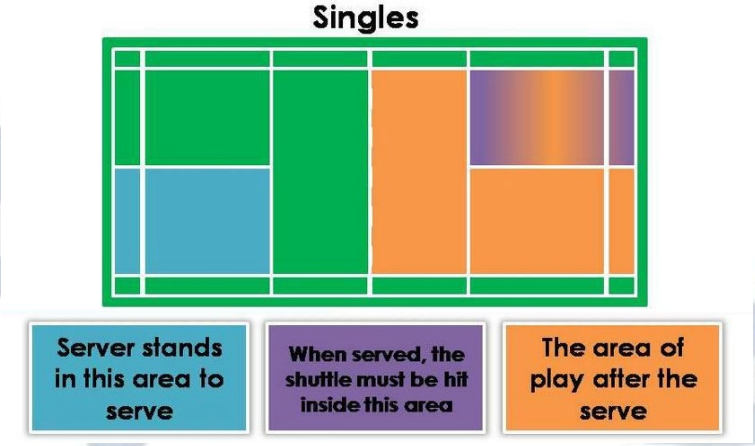
- Badminton is a self-officiated sport

ELIGIBILITY

- Players (including late players) must check-in on the game sheet before every game in order to participate
- No spectators are allowed on team benches, except for a Registered Coach and/or team captain on the team roster
- For eligibility rules, please refer to the UTM Intramurals Student Handbook

START OF MATCH & PLAY

- Players will compete in singles competition in a standard badminton match, following Badminton Canada rules
- All Badminton matches will be played on a standard singles badminton court in the Recreation, Athletics & Wellness Centre
- During service, the birdie must make contact with the racquet below the waist to be a legal serve
- Players will underhand serve the birdie cross court within the single's lines on the court, and alternate striking the birdie over the net until one player is unable to return a shot, or the birdie lands outside the court/into the net
- A point is awarded to the player who hit the winning shot of the rally



- Serves are to be taken according to the score – when participants score is even, they serve from the right side of the court, when participant score is odd, they will serve from the left

TIME OUTS

- Teams are allowed one 30-second timeout per set (either in set 1 or set 2).
- Time-outs cannot be used in the third, fourth or fifth set

SUBSTUTIONS, FOULS & EJECTIONS

- No substitutions will be allowed in badminton singles match

- Verbal abuse of the other players, teammate or game manger will not be tolerated
- Participants who display unsportsmanlike behavior will be followed up with the UTM Intramurals Administration Staff
- Fighting, verbal slurs and excessive verbal abuse will **not** be tolerated
- An ejection will result in an appearance before the administration staff. *NOTE: the minimum penalty for fighting is a minimum one-year suspension*

TIE BREAKING RULE & PLAYOFFS

- There are no time limits during the playoff matches
- All playoff will be best of 5 sets and sets are played to 21 points
    - Players must win by 2 points or first to receive 25 points