

MATCH REGULATIONS – BADMINTON

- Bm.1. All games to be played in accordance with the current rules of the Badminton Victoria Inc. unless contra indicated below.
- Bm.2. Each team to consist of 8 players, ranked according to ability. If you are a player short, then the “8” ranking is the one to drop off first then “7” etc.
- Bm.3. Schools unable to field 8 players shall forfeit those sets that are not played. 2 games and 30 points (singles) or 2 games and 42 points (doubles) to be awarded to the school that was able to provide the correct amount of players.
- Bm.5. Singles are played as best of three games up to 15.
- Bm.6. Doubles are played as best of three games up to 21.
- Bm.7. In the event of a set not being completed, the winner is to be determined by games with a minimum point score of 11 for singles and 15 for doubles counting as a completed game.
- Bm.8. Students should stay as the same ranked player in doubles and singles. If there is a substitution, then players playing their second match could be ranked higher to allow the new player to be ranked “8”(5). Players are not to drop down the rankings for their second match.
- Bm.9. Students are able to play in a singles and doubles match.
- Bm.10. School named first has choice of ends. School named second has first serve.
- Bm.11. Non-playing students are to umpire and score.
- Bm.12. Rally point to be played. Every serve scores a point.
- Bm.13. When the server’s score is even, you serve from the right side of the court. When the server’s score is odd, you serve from the left side.
- Bm.14. If the receiving side wins the rally, the receiving side wins a point and the serve.
- Bm.15. In Doubles, Players do not change their respective service courts until they win a point when their team is serving.
- Bm.16. The winner shall be the team who has won the most sets. If sets are drawn, the winner shall be the team who has won the most games. If games are drawn, the winner shall be the team who has won the most points.

Team Size	8 – Minimum 6
Shuttlecocks	The shuttlecock is to be nylon, red-banded, with either white or yellow nylon feathers. (The yellow Carlton T800 are a good example).
Courts	Minimum 3 courts, ideally 4 courts should be used on rotation for each match.
Match Officials	Self-Umpired
Mercy Rule	There is no specific Mercy Rule in this sport. If you are winning comfortably, encourage students to keep rallies going and not to hit big winners.
Incomplete Matches	For a winner to be awarded, 50% of the match must be completed before a result can be given (e.g. 6 out of 12 sets).
Tied Grand Final	In the case of a Grand Final being tied in sets, games, and points, the premier will be the team that won the “A& B” doubles match.