



OSAKA INTERNATIONAL CHALLENGE BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS 2017

29(Wed.) March - 2(Sun.) April
Moriguchi City Gymnasium, Osaka

Organizer : THE NIPPON BADMINTON ASSOCIATION (NBA)
Sanction : BADMINTON WORLD FEDERATION (BWF) & BADMINTON ASIA
Local Organizer: Osaka Badminton Association

Date : 29th (Wed.) March - 2nd (Sun.) April, 2017
[29th (Wed.) March for Qualifying Round, if necessary]

Referee : Mr. Ho Hon Wai (SIN) - hohwsg@yahoo.com.sg
Deputy Ref. : Mr Tomoharu Sano (JPN) - tomosano@lime.ocn.ne.jp

Prize Money : **US\$20,000 (BWF Level 4 International Challenge Event)**

Events	Winners	Runners	Semi-	Quarter	Last 16
MS	1,500	760	290	120	70
WS	1,500	760	290	120	70
MD (Pair)	1,580	760	280	145	75
WD (Pair)	1,580	760	280	145	75
XD (Pair)	1,580	760	280	145	75

Each of the payments is subject to Japanese withholding tax law.
(20.42% tax on each prize money, except for players from JPN/KOR/USA earning less than US\$10,000 per person)
The organizer is responsible for deducting amounts in accordance with the law before the payment.

Medals: Medals will be awarded to all winners, runners-up and two losing semi-finalists.

Venue : **Moriguchi City Gymnasium**
9-2 Kawara-machi, Moriguchi-shi, Osaka 570-0038 Japan
TEL: +81 6 6992 8201

Scoring system : All events will be played using the best 3 games of 21 Rally Points.
The tournament will be played in full accordance with the laws of Badminton, and the BWF and/or NBA Competition Regulations.

Shuttlecocks : YONEX TOURNAMENT

Events	Entries		Entries for Qualifying
	Main	Qualifiers	
Men's Singles (MS)	24	8	32
Women's Singles (WS)	24	8	32
Men's Doubles (MD)	24	8	32
Women's Doubles (WD)	24	8	32
Mixed Doubles (XD)	24	8	32

*Players may be required to play in qualifying rounds on Wednesday 29th March 2017, when more entries than the above are received.

*Players may be on reserves when more than acceptable entries received.

Entry :

Entry Closing Date : 28th (Tue.) February 2017

Member Associations are advised to log on to Osaka International Challenge 2017 at:

<http://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/sport/tournament.aspx?id=64F5F655-1745-455D-95DD-6EA2EB03DEE6>

and submit the entries online.

You will require a username and password to submit your entries and this can be obtained from BWF. Please contact Mr. Shan at:

s.ramachandran@bwfbadminton.org

The online entry page will close immediately on the entries closing date at 23:59 hours BWF Headquarters time (+08:00h GMT) and you are required to submit the entries on time.

Inclusive of technical problem, Late entries will not be accepted.

No entry forms are required by Member Associations. All entries must be submitted online only.

After the closing date, the BWF Online Entry System will send notification to all participating Member Associations confirming receipt of final entries.

Receipt of this notification is the conclusive evidence of receipt of entries before the deadline.

The Member Association should contact Badminton Asia immediately if such notice is not received by the Wednesday (next day of the entries closing date) by noon BWF Headquarters time (+08:00h GMT) following close of entries.

If no objection is received by Badminton Asia by Thursday (second day after the entries closing day) 23:59 hours BWF Headquarters time (+08:00h GMT) following the close of entries, the entries shall be deemed to be correct. No complaints/objections shall be entertained after this point.

Tournament
Schedule :

March	29 (Wed.)	09:30 --	Qualifying rounds
	30 (Thu.)	09:00 --	Preliminary rounds
	31 (Fri.)	09:00 --	Preliminary rounds
April	1 (Sat.)	11:00 --	All Semi-finals
	2 (Sun.)	11:00 --	All Finals

* The starting time may be changed at the discretion of the Referee and NBA.

Practice :

Available from **Monday 27th of March 2017** at Moriguchi City Gymnasium.

Requests are accepted first come first serve basis.

Please return the **PRACTICE REQUEST FORM** to E-mail: shimaoka.kiyohiro@nta.co.jp no later than **Tuesday, 21st of March 2017.**

Team Managers'
Meeting :

Date: **Tuesday 28th March 2017**

Time: 18:00

Venue: Hotel Agora Osaka Moriguchi
(Exact location will be informed later.)

As per BWF Regulations, the TEAM must be represented in the Managers' Meeting. Member Associations must appoint ONE team manager to facilitate communication. It is compulsory that all team managers must attend the Team Managers' Meeting. Failing to attend the meeting they are liable to be fined as per regulation Part III Section 1A, Appendix 11 "Offences and Penalties". Member Associations can make a request someone to represent them at the meeting as long as the Referee knows in advance that is acceptable.

Umpires Briefing: Date: **Tuesday 28th March 2017**
 Time: 19:00
 Venue: Hotel Agora Osaka Moriguchi
 (Exact location will be informed later.)

Withdrawals : Please bear in mind BWF COMPETITION REGULATIONS.

Key Dates : **M&Q Report: 2nd March 2017 World Ranking List**
Seeding Date : 9th March 2017
Last Day of Without Penalty : 12th March 2017
Draw Date : 14th March 2017

Regulations : The Championships will be held under the rules and regulations of BWF.

Clothing & Advertising : The BWF Competition Regulations regarding Clothing and Advertising shall be strictly followed.

MANDATORY CLOTHING REGULATIONS

1. Name of player is MANDATORY from the first day of the event.
2. From Quarter Finals onwards, doubles partners must wear clothing of the same colour.
3. From Quarter Finals onwards, opposing players must wear clothing of significantly different colours.

Dispute : In matters involving disputes over the plays throughout the Championships, the Referee's decisions will be the final.

On-Court Doctor: TBC

Doping Control : Dope testing will be conducted at any time on random basis throughout the event. Please note that Competition Regulation Appendix 3 "Anti Doping Regulations" in the BWF Handbook II.

Accreditation : Kindly complete the **TEAM OFFICIAL'S ACCREDITATION FORM** provided and return to E-mail: shimaoka.kiyohiro@nta.co.jp no later than **Tuesday, 7th March 2017.**

Accommodations : **HOTEL AGORA OSAKA MORIGUCHI**
 Address : 10-5 Kawara-machi, Moriguchi-shi, Osaka 570-0038 Japan
 TEL : +81-6-6994-1111
 FAX : +81-6-6994-1100

Rate :

<Room>	Rate Per Person
1-person(Single)	JPY 12,600
2-person(Twin)	JPY 9,500

- * The room charge is inclusive of breakfast, tax and service charge.
- * The payment should be settled directly at the hotel receptionist.

Transportation : Transportations will be provided between the airport and the hotel upon arrival and departure.
NBA will provide the transportation from Kansai (KIX) International Airport only.

Insurance: Please ensure that your players and team officials are covered with the necessary insurance policy to meet the current requirements.

Visa : For those who need visas, please inform the full details with the attached **VISA APPLICATION FORM**, not later than Tuesday 28th of February 2017.
NBA will arrange the official invitation letter for visa purposes.

*****For those who have Chinese Nationality, you must provide Chinese Names.**

NBA will not be responsible for any troubles if the visa application form are turned in after the above date.

ACCOMODATION and TRANSPORTATION RESERVATION FORMS must reach our official travel agency at the following contacts with the attached forms not later than **Tuesday, 7th of March 2017.**

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