



## BWF Environmental Policy

“*Environmental Responsibility*” is enshrined in the BWF constitution. Clause 4.5 states that:

*The Federation shall take a responsible approach to safeguarding the environment and managing resources through its practices in hosting events and in managing its operations.*

The BWF Environment Policy describes the aims and principles underpinning environmental responsibility in the activities undertaken by the BWF – its events, the equipment used in badminton and its office operations.

## Policy Aims

- To promote environmentally sustainable practices.
- To provide guidelines and to educate.
- To manage social and economic responsibility to ensure the current and future needs of the sport and the BWF are met.

## Principles

BWF’s Environment Policy is based on the following principles.

- Conservation of resources
- Waste reduction
- Healthy conditions for all associated with badminton events and operations
- Environmental awareness and education

## Policy Rationale

- Badminton is a sport that requires equipment made from natural products, specialist lighting and air conditions and specific flooring conditions.
- IOC Charter and Agenda 21 for Sport – responsible concern for environmental issues
- BWF’s constitution requires the Federation to take steps in safeguarding the environment and managing resources.
- Badminton players, entourage members, event organisers, administrators and can all play their part.



## **Administration Committee Responsibility**

The BWF Administration Committee is delegated by the Council to oversee the implementation of the Environment Policy with the following areas of responsibility:

- To promote environmental responsibility in the planning and staging of events;
- To raise awareness on environmental issues throughout the badminton community;
- To oversee the development of publications / guidelines on environmental sustainability for the sport, event management and environmental impacts of these, general awareness of environmental issues in the sport;
- To encourage research that looks for the use of more sustainable materials for badminton equipment;
- To liaise with external institutions such as public authorities, environmental organisations and other sporting bodies;
- To monitor and evaluate the applications of BWF's environmental policies and guidelines.