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SKYCITY NEW ZEALAND BADMINTON OPEN

WORLD-CLASS INTERNATIONAL BADMINTON

21-26 March 2017, North Shore Events Centre
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Dates: Tuesday 21 – Sunday 26 March 2017

Venue: North Shore Events Centre, Silverfield Lane, Wairau Valley,
 North Shore, Auckland
www.nseventscentre.co.nz

Sanctioned by: Badminton World Federation (BWF)

Referee: Ivanka Pokorni (CRO)
 Email: ivpokorni@gmail.com

Deputy Referee: Phillip Lee (SGP)
 Email: philliplee52@gmail.com

Prize Money: USD\$120,000
 Distribution of prize money will be in accordance with BWF regulations

	Event	Champion	Runner-Up	Semi-finals	Quarter-finals	Last 16
*	Men's Singles	USD\$9,000	USD\$4,560	USD\$1,740	USD\$720	USD\$420
*	Women's Singles					
**	Men's Doubles	USD\$9,480	USD\$4,560	USD\$1,680	USD\$870	USD\$450
**	Women's Doubles					
**	Mixed Doubles					

* Per Player ** Per Pair

Entries close: International entries close **Tuesday 14 February 2017**, 23:59 hours BWF headquarters time, (+08:00 GMT Hours)

New Zealand Player entries close Thursday 9 February, 23:59 local time

Events

Event	Entries		Qualifying Round Maximum Entries
	Main Draw	Qualifiers	
Men's Singles	56	8	16
Women's Singles	28	4	16
Men's Doubles	28	4	16
Women's Doubles	28	4	16
Mixed Doubles	28	4	16

Entries

All players in the tournament will be deemed to have read and accepted the conditions under which the tournament is to be conducted.

The organisers will NOT be responsible for any injury sustained, at any time, by any player or official arising from their participation in this Tournament. Any costs incurred for medical treatment and/or hospitalisation shall be borne by the Member Association of the player/official concerned.

All International entries are to be submitted online by the competitors National Badminton Association (M.A).

Member Associations are to log onto SKYCITY New Zealand Open 2017:

<http://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/sport/tournament.aspx?id=F5BD9725-F041-4E32-93A3-A35336ED7D6D>

and submit the entries online.

A username and password is required to submit entries. This can be obtained from the BWF.

Please contact Shan Ramachandran at s.ramachandran@bwfbadminton.org

The online entry page will automatically close on Tuesday 14 February 2017 at 23:59 hours BWF Headquarters time (+08:00h GMT) Late entries will not be accepted.

After the closing date, the BWF Online Entry System will send a 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 Associations should contact BWF 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 BWF by Thursday 16 February (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.

Seedings and Draws

Entries Close:	14 February 2017
World Ranking date for M & Q:	16 February 2017
Publish M & Q:	17 February 2017
World Ranking date for Seeding:	23 February 2017
Publish Seeding Report:	24 February 2017
Last Date for Withdrawal without penalty:	26 February 2017
Draw Date:	28 February 2017

Competition Rules and Regulations

The BWF General Competition regulations will apply except where specific provisions are contained in the Regulations for Grand Prix. Where there is any conflict or apparent conflict, the Grand Prix Regulation(s) will take precedence. In the event of any dispute, the decision of the Tournament Referee will be final.

Withdrawals

Will be managed according to the BWF regulations.

Withdrawals after **Sunday 26 February 2017** shall automatically attract withdrawal fees as per BWF regulations.

Withdrawals until this date must be initiated through online entry system by logging on to the tournament link used for sending the entry. Withdrawals after that date must be informed by e-mail to julie@nzbadmintonopen.com and the Referee: Ivanka Pokorni - ivpokorni@gmail.com as soon as possible.

Withdrawals prior to the tournament, must be accompanied by appropriate certifications.

Withdrawals after the draw due to illness or injury must be supported by a medical certificate.

Withdrawals after players arrive in venue city, notification of withdrawal must be made by the Team Manager to the Referee in writing.

Hours of Play

Tuesday 21 March	Qualifying Rounds	From 09:00	4 courts
	Men's Singles – Round 64	From 15:00	4 courts
Wednesday 22 March	Championship Events	From 09:00	4 courts
Thursday 23 March	Championship Events	From 09:00	4 courts
Friday 24 March	Quarter-finals	From 16:00	3 courts
Saturday 25 March	Semi-finals	From 16:00	2 courts
Sunday 26 March	Finals	From 16:00	1 court

The above times and schedule may be changed at the discretion of the Referee and Event Organiser

All matches will be scheduled to time.

Players must be available to play 10 minutes before their scheduled time.

Shuttles

BWF approved shuttles will be used.

Meeting Times

The Managers meeting will be held at the SKYCITY Hotel on Monday 20 March at 4pm.

As per BWF regulations all countries to ensure they have a representative at this meeting.

"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 1B, 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."

The Technical Officials meeting will be held at the SKYCITY Hotel on Monday 20 March at 8.30pm

Practice Courts

Practice courts at the tournament venue will be arranged by the Organiser. Court allocation will be based on the number of players in the team and done on a fair and equitable basis. Courts are available in the venue as from 09:00 Monday 20 March 2017.

Requests for practice courts at the practice venue, Badminton North Harbour Centre, can be made on the practice court booking form or at the liaison desk at SKYCITY Hotel upon arrival. Courts are available as from Sunday 19 March 2017.

Courts are subject to availability and on a first served basis. Tournament transport will be provided to this venue for players and officials staying at the SKYCITY Hotel.

Note – Courts and transport booked for practise and not used will incur a penalty charge of NZ\$150 for transport and NZ\$25 per hour per court. Badminton NZ will invoice the MA directly.

Transport

The closest airport is **Auckland International Airport**.

Following the close of entries, a transport form will be emailed to team managers requesting flight details.

Details must be provided no later than 8 March 2017 for pick-up to be arranged. Any request after this date will not be accepted. Requests for a refund of taxi charges will not be entertained.

Transport will only be provided to players and officials staying at the official Hotels – **SKYCITY and SKYCITY Grand Hotel** or any other hotel promoted by the event. This includes airport pick-up and drop-off, transport to the practice and the tournament venues. All transport will depart from and return to SKYCITY.

Accreditation

Once entries have closed an accreditation form will be sent to all Team Managers for their attention and return, including a jpg head and shoulders photo of all people requiring accreditation, to be submitted by 8 March 2017.

Entry to the arena for the players, coaches and officials will be by accreditation pass or ticket only, please carry your accreditation with you at all time.

Lost accreditation passes will be replaced for a fee of NZ\$80 each

The maximum number of officials and coaches accreditation passes issued to each team is according to the following:

Number of Players from MA	Up to 5	6-10	11-16	17-25	Over 25
Number of Accompanying Officials	2	3	4	5	6

There will be a limited number of additional accreditation passes available for NZ\$100 each (maximum 5 per team). These must be applied for through the tournament office – the organising committee has the right to decline requests at their sole discretion. Inappropriate use of an accreditation pass may result in the confiscation of the pass.

Visas

If a visa is required to enter New Zealand, please complete the Visa Form and email to admin@nzbadmintonopen.com by 28 February 2017. Letters cannot be provided after this date.

Clothing and Advertising

Clothing and advertising are in accordance with the BWF General Competition Regulations (sections 19-23).

Players should ensure that they read these regulations and that their clothing complies.

Doping Control

The BWF Anti-Doping Regulations apply.

Players competing in this tournament are subject to drug testing under BWF Anti-Doping Regulations and the regulations and the provisions of Drug Free Sport New Zealand – www.drugfreesport.org.nz

The BWF Anti-Doping Regulations can be viewed at www.bwfbadminton.org

Physio Services

Will be available on days of play during the event at the venue.

Presentation Ceremonies

During the presentation ceremonies, players may wear tracksuits, but headgear, rackets and racket bags are not permitted. No other form of advertising will be permitted.

Video Recording

Regulations for Video Recording will be advised at the Managers' Meeting.

Important Dates

Accommodation Bookings	By 20 February 2017 at the latest	Early booking is highly recommended
Visa Letter Request	By 28 February 2017	admin@nzbadmintonopen.com
Accreditation Details	By 8 March 2017	Player photos Team official names and photos accreditation@nzbadmintonopen.com
Travel Details	By 8 March 2017	entries@nzbadmintonopen.com

Official Hotel



www.skycityhotels.co.nz

Ideally situated in the heart of Auckland's CBD, with many of the city's most impressive attractions and eateries literally on the doorstep, the award-winning SKYCITY Grand Hotel will offer you a truly five-star experience.

Guest services include free 'limitless' Wi-Fi*, a business centre, a heated indoor 25-metre lap pool, sauna and spa pool, a well-appointed gymnasium, 24-hour room service, car park and valet parking and an executive car service. Daily laundry, dry-cleaning and pressing services are also available and East Day Spa offers luxury health and beauty services.

Three restaurants inside the SKYCITY Grand Hotel, MASU Japanese Robata, The Grill by Sean Connolly and Gusto at the Grand, join a range of over 20 premium restaurants and bars across site. SKYCITY Auckland is also home to the iconic Sky Tower, a world-class Casino, and the SKYCITY Convention Centre. R20 to enter the Casino.

*Subject to network availability. Acceptable usage policy applies.

Special Tournament Room Rates - twin or single rooms only

Room Only: SKYCITY Hotel– King or Twin – NZ\$220/night
SKYCITY Grand Hotel – King or Twin – NZ\$250/night
Promotional Code: **Badminton**

Room plus breakfast - for one person (single room):
SKYCITY Hotel– NZ\$242.90/night
SKYCITY Grand Hotel NZ\$275/night
Promotional Code: **BadmintonBB**

Room plus breakfast, at Fortuna Restaurant for two people (double or twin room):
SKYCITY Hotel– NZ\$265.80/night
SKYCITY Grand Hotel – NZ\$300/night
Promotional Code: **BadmintonBB**

Players/Officials to book directly with the hotel and are responsible for all costs including but not limited to the room rate cost and all in-room incidentals.

Rooms and rates are subject to availability at the time of booking. All prices include GST



Reservations are subject to room availability. It is recommended reservations are made as early as possible.

To make a booking contact: hotel.reservations@skycity.co.nz

Phone: +64 9 3636000

Please ensure you quote the promotional code to get these rates: **Badminton** (no breakfast), **BadmintonBB** (breakfast included at Fortuna Restaurant)

Or book on-line:

Skycity Hotel:

<https://bookings.ihotelier.com/SKYCITY-Hotel-Auckland/bookings.jsp?hotelId=10736&languageid=11>

Skycity Grand Hotel:

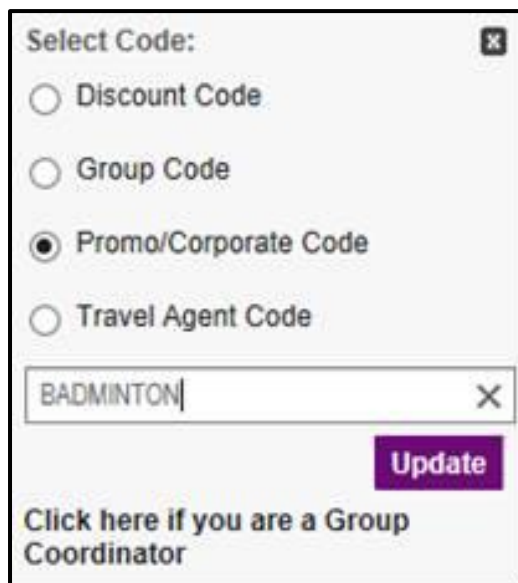
<https://bookings.ihotelier.com/SKYCITY-Grand-Hotel/bookings.jsp?hotelId=10924&languageid=11>

Once webpage has loaded please click on Enter your access code or promotional code

Choose the option of Promo/Corporate Code and enter the rate access code BADMINTON or BADMINTONBB.

1. Click **Update** and select your stay dates to continue
2. Select the special New Zealand Badminton Open rate
3. Select room type and continue booking following the on-screen instructions.

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Select Code:

Discount Code
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Click here if you are a Group Coordinator

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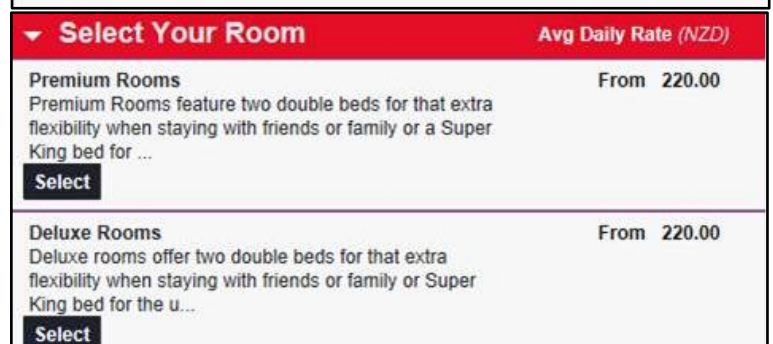
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