



**BRAMPTON  
SPORTS LEAGUE**

# BADMINTON

## Rule Book & Regulations

### Matches & Times

- Game times: **6:30 PM** and **7:30 PM**.
- **6:00–6:30 PM**: Open warm-up period on both courts.
- Each match is **55 minutes** in length.
- Matches consist of **three rally-point sets to 21** (win by 2, capped at 30).
- **All sets must be played**, even if the match is decided earlier.
- If the set is unfinished when time ends, the team with the **higher score wins the set**.
- Teams switch sides after each set.
- The winner of each set serves first in the following set. A shuttle toss decides the first set.

### Players & Teams

- Teams consist of **a maximum of 3 players**.
- **2 players minimum** are required to start a set.
- Substitutions are allowed **only between sets**.
- All team members must wear the **same colour shirt** for uniformity.

### Defaults for Missing Players:

- **Set 1** defaulted **10 minutes** after the official start time.  
**Set 2** defaulted **20 minutes** after the start time.  
**Set 3** defaulted **30 minutes** after the start time.
- A defaulted match is recorded as a **3–0 loss** for the team that defaulted.



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### Gameplay Rules

- Rally point scoring: A team scores on every rally, regardless of serve.
- Matches are **self-officiated** – players call their own lines and faults.
- Standard badminton serving and rally rules apply.
- A let (re-serve) occurs if both teams agree the rally was interfered with.
- Respectful sportsmanship is expected at all times.

### Equipment & Set-Up

- **2 feather birdies** will be provided per match.
- Teams may choose to play with **plastic birdies** if **both teams agree**.
- If plastic birdies are used, **teams must provide their own**.
- In case of any disagreement, **feather birdies must be used**.
- **2 courts** will be used per session.
- Nets and shuttles will be provided on-site.
- Teams are responsible for recording scores after each set.

### Disputes & Conduct

- All disputes should be resolved **between team captains respectfully**.
- If no agreement can be reached, the rally is replayed.
- Poor sportsmanship may result in disciplinary action or removal from play.