



2024 ALL GHANA BADMINTON OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

TOURNAMENT PROSPECTUS v2

Entry Deadline: Sunday, 19th May, 2024

On a first come, first serve basis.

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To: Regional Associations

Cc: Badminton Clubs and Badminton Shared Interest Groups

Date: April 15,2024

Subject: 2024 All Ghana Badminton Open Championships

INVITATION

Dear Regional Affiliates Shared Interest Groups,

I hope this message finds you well. I am excited to announce the upcoming All Ghana Badminton Open Championship, which will be held on the 25th and 26th of May 2024.

The tournament will take place at the Borteyman Sports Complex, an excellent venue providing top-notch facilities for players and spectators. We are thrilled to invite your association, club, or interest group to participate in this prestigious event.

We have attached the tournament prospectus to provide you with all the necessary information. It contains details about the competition format, registration process, rules and regulations, and other important information.

This championship will showcase the incredible talent within our badminton community and foster camaraderie and sportsmanship among participants. It is an excellent opportunity to bring together badminton enthusiasts from across the region.

Please share this invitation with your members and encourage them to participate in this exciting event. Together, let's make this National Badminton Championship a resounding success!

If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to reach out to our organizing committee. We are more than happy to assist you.

Thank you for your support, and we look forward to welcoming you and your team to the National Badminton Championship!

Best regards,

Events Officer Jessica Lomotey



Dear Badminton Players, Enthusiasts and Aficionados:

We have some exciting news to share with you. The National Badminton Championship is happening on the 25th and 26th of May 2024 at the Borteyman Sports Complex. It's going to be an amazing opportunity to showcase your skills and compete against some top-notch players from all over. We've attached the tournament prospectus with all the important details you need to know.

The championships are held annually in which players compete across five individual disciplines – men's singles, men's doubles, women's singles, women's doubles and mixed doubles – in a knock-out and round-robin format. National ranking points are awarded in each tournament entered, and you will be given a player grading after competing in your first tournament to help signpost you to the appropriate tournaments for you.

Please click the Prospectus for more information and registration details. Also, gear up, get ready, and let's make this championship a memorable one! If you have any questions, feel free to reach out. Good luck, and see you on the court!

A special thank you to the fantastic spectators, volunteers, officials and line judges who helped the event run smoothly all these years.

Best sporting regards, and may the best talent be seen!

Tournament Director Delawoe Nyanyo



1. Introduction:

Players and team leaders must be familiar with the "Conditions of Entry and Play" before submitting an entry.

Definitions

<u>**Team-**</u> Person(s) on which the individual entry is made.

Championship - 2024 All Ghana Badminton Open Championships

Member - Means Paid and unpaid Regional and Common interest groups or persons

<u>BAG</u> – Ghana Badminton Association – national governing and supervisory body of the sport in Ghana.

2. Eligibility

- 2.1 Teams shall be from any region within the boundaries of Ghana, non-Ghanaian affiliated with BAG and teams from any country within West Africa.
- 2.2 A player shall be qualified to represent a Member if s/he has the following:
 - Been a bona fide member of the Member Association affiliated with BAG for six (6) months immediately preceding the date of commencement of the aged Ghana National Championships, be in Good Standing with that member Association and was either born in Ghana or have resided therein for three (3) months immediately preceding the date of commencement of the aged Ghana National Championships.
 - Not on the banned list
 - Attending a school in Ghana.

2.4 Prizes and Optional Packages:

Online entry and payment are required at the time of registration and include the following benefits:

- ✓ Medals for podium categories
- ✓ Certificate of Participation
- ✓ Opportunity to be selected into the national squad.
- ✓ Educational Scholarships opportunity
- ✓ Prizes (\$\mathbb{C}\$ 15,000)
- ✓ Corporate Networking
- ✓ Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner (€80)
- ✓ Accommodation (Optional) C100 per night

A registration and entry fee is the opportunity to participate in the Event. It is not commensurate with the optional benefits listed above.



Seniors	Rank	MS	WS	MD	WD	XD
				550	550	550
	Winner	1100	1100	550	550	550
				300	300	300
	Runner up	800	800	300	300	300
				200	200	200
	Semi	450	450	200	200	200
		¢ 11,000.00				

U-19	Rank	MS	WS
	Winner	900	900
	Runner up	750	750
	Semi	350	350
		¢	4,000.00

All entries must accompany any attachments in the selected category under 2.4.1 Eligibility.

Online entries will be confirmed as accepted after the entry fee is paid through the Ghana Badminton Mobile payment portal and the registrant's list is submitted on the website portal. Please enter details as



NJS and Reference the player's full name. Please Note: the player's parent's or bank account name does not identify the player. If your system does not allow the entry of alpha characters, please use BAGtournament21. You should allow at least one working day for the entry fee payment to be processed through the banking system.

2.4.1 **REGISTRATION FEE**

- ✓ Registration Fee Per Head (Ghanaians) | C100 for both U19 & Seniors
- ✓ Event Fee Per Head (Ghanaians) | C100 For both U19 & Seniors
- ✓ Registration Fee Per Head (Ghanaians Veterans) | C250 & Event fee | C100
- ✓ Registration Fee Per Head (Non-Ghanaians) Both U19 & Seniors ©200
- ✓ Event Fee per Head (Non-Ghanaians) | C150 for both U19 and Seniors
- ✓ (Non-Ghanaians Veterans) Registration | ©350 & Event Fee | ©100

There is a 10% discount on all registration payments made on or before April 30, 2024.

2.4.2 Eligibility-

Ghana Card
NHIS
Passport
Certificate
BECE Certificate
Birth Certificate
Resident Card (For non-Ghanaians)
WASSCE Certificate

Eligibility:
All competitors must be under the stipulated age through December 31 of the year in which the event is held

30 – 35	Born 1994 - 1989	Singles & Doubles	
36 – 40	Born 1988 - 1984	Singles & Doubles	
41 – 50	Born 1983 - 1974	Singles & Doubles	
51 - 60	Born 1973 - 1964	Doubles Only	
61-70	Born 1963 - 1954	Doubles Only	
Note: You are required to bring along your valid national ID for validation			



2.5 Only players who meet clauses 2.2 and 2.3 can participate in the Individual Championship.

3. Structure and Fee Management

- 3.1 We will conduct the Event under the Laws of Badminton.
- 3.2 A Tournament Director and LOC headed by the events and development working group committee shall coordinate the Event.
- 3.3 BAG shall have a Referee and Deputy Referee from BAG's Court Officials Committee for the Event
- 3.4 The Referee shall be the sole judge of matters relating to the by-laws and the Laws of Badminton.
- 3.6 Registration and entry fees shall be under 2.4.1. These entry fees shall be exclusive of bank transfer charges and non-refundable.
- 3.7 Entry and registration fees shall be advised to all BAG Club members before the event's commencement, as stated in the tournament prospectus.
- 3.8 Clubs/Individuals must comply with any overriding sponsorship arrangements of BAG.

4. Entries

- 4.1 BAG shall issue invitations for entries to all badminton lovers and shared interest groups and may invite additional teams/players. They must complete entries for each player at (linked here)
- 4.2. Entries to enter a team shall be required by notified deadline prior to the commencement of the Championship.
- 4.3 Teams withdrawing after the closing date of the Championship are subject to a penalty fee. No refund will be given if teams/athletes withdraw.
- 4.4 We shall make the Championship entries in accordance with the Ghana Badminton competition regulations. The timeline before we listed the commencement date of the Individual Championship is below:

Timeline Before Individual Championships	Action
6 days prior (May 19, 2024)	Entries due
Three days prior (May 22, 2024)	Ghana National Ranking date for M & Q.
Five days before Individual Event	Draws are conducted



- 4.5 Individual Championship entries must be enclosed with a passport picture, and its category registration and entry fees shall accompany any document mentioned in 2.4.1. Players are deemed entered if they fully pay registration and entry fees by May 19, 2024
- 4.6 The following condition shall be included in the Individual Championship entries
- **4.7.1** Entrants consent to be filmed or photographed during the Event and understand that such information may be passed onto and used by BAG and its affiliates for (but not limited to) use in education or promotional activity. Entrants acknowledge their right to access and correct such information.

5. Category Composition

5.1 The Event will consist of five Individual Badminton Events, as outlined in the table below:

U19	U30	VETERANS per Subage category
Men Singles Women Singles	Men Singles Women Singles Mixed Doubles Men Doubles Women Doubles	Men Singles Women Singles Mixed Doubles Men Doubles Women Doubles

#Players/ Athletes not paying after entries will have to pay the rebased fee for the competition.

#Any athlete /player will be withdrawn for whatever reason due to non-payment and will end up in a non-scoring attendance.

- 5.2 **Penalties:** The penalty system will apply to include (not exclusively) the following:
- (i) No Show Penalty GHC 200.00
- (ii) Late arrival on court Penalty GHC 150.00
- (iii) Cards for Misconduct. The following are the penalties for receiving a card for misconduct:
- Yellow Card- GHC 300.00
- Red Card-GHC 700
- Black Card- GHC 1,000.00

Failure to meet clothing regulations Penalty GHC 250.00 per athlete per Event.

If a player receives a black card, the case will be referred to a disciplinary hearing and could be suspended for up to 5 years.

(iv) Failure to attend the closing ceremony for podium athletes attracts a fine of Gh100 per athlete per event

In addition to this, BWF Law 3 on misconduct will also hold.

IMPOSITION/APPEALS: All penalties for cards of misconduct are deducted and fined at source from any money due regional chapter/club or player during the event.



6. Media Alterations Format

Alterations due to TV coverage or any other reason are possible and will be announced by the Referee. The above order of play may be changed at the discretion of the Referee. All events will be on a strict timetable system. Competitors who are not ready to play when their match is scheduled will be scratched.

7. Scoring for Championship Ties:

All results will be uploaded for a more accessible draw management system and operation.

8. Individual Championship Draw

- 8.1 The draw shall be made in accordance with the competition regulations of the BAG and conducted one day before the commencement of the Individual Championship (see clause 4.4 for the timeline).
 - 8.2 Seeding for the Individual Championship will be based solely on the BAG National Rankings.
 - 8.3 The draw shall be conducted by BAG using a Badminton Tournament and as approved by the Referee.
 - 8.4 Nylon and Feather Shuttlecocks will be used for the Championships.

The draw format consists of group play followed by knockout. The singles competitors have to be divided into groups A to P, but groups B, O and F will not have any players. Each of the 13 seeds will be placed at the head of his/her group. Eleven groups will have three players each and two groups will have four players each (in Women's Singles, there will be 12 groups with three players and one with four); The procedure for the draw is as follows:

The top seed will be placed at the head of Group A and the second seed at the head of Group P. Seeds 3 and 4 will be drawn by lots to the top of Groups E and L; lots will draw seeds 5 to 8 into groups C, G, J and N. Lots will draw the remaining seeds into groups D, H, I, K and M.

The other players are then picked by lots step-by-step until all of them are placed. The two groups with seeds 2 and 3 will accommodate four players each.

Following the group stage, where each player has to play every other player in his/her group, the top finisher in the group will enter the knockout stage (round of 16). The top players from groups A, P and E will get a bye since their opponents – groups B, O and F – do not have any players.





In doubles, the top-seeded pair is placed at the top of Group A; second seeds at the top of Group D and seeds 3 and 4 are picked by lots into B and C. The remaining 12 pairs are distributed in the four groups by lots of registration and strength age play. The WS will take place in an ordinary draw by number of entries received.

Once the group stage is completed, the top two-ranked pairs from each group will qualify for the knockout stage (quarter-finals). A second draw is held for this stage for the eight qualified pairs, with pairs from the same group being separated. Group A and D winners are placed at opposite ends of the quarter-final draw, followed by winners of B and C picked by lots into the other two quarters; the draw is then completed for the remaining pairs.



9. Dress Code

- 9.1 It is mandatory that players be dressed in badminton attire which conforms to the rules of competition regulations (clothing).
- 9.2 Each player must wear the same color and design of shirts, with their surname and club on the back, and shorts (or equivalent articles of clothing) throughout the Championship tie and medal award.



10. Trophies and Medals

- 10.1 BAG shall provide podium medals for presentation to the players per entries made.
- 10.3 Before the Event's commencement, the following meetings will be held.
- 10.4 Managers meeting Chaired by the Tournament Director to:
 - Introduce the Referee and Deputy Referee
 - Clarify the conditions under which the Event will be conducted
 - Provide opportunities for questions

10.5 Court Officials meeting - Chaired by the Referee:

- Update umpiring rules
- Advise of any particulars
- 11. **T-shirts and caps**: There are a variety to choose from (Subsidized Ghana Badminton Shirt-GHC 70, Subsidized Ghana Badminton Polo Shirt-100, Subsidized Ghana Badminton National Team Jersey-GHC 200, Subsidized Ghana Badminton Bucket Cup-GHC 50 and Subsidized Ghana Badminton Bucket Cup-GHC 60) Optional.

12. Optional Hostel Accommodation

BAG has secured limited accommodation for GHC 100 per bed per night. Please book and pay by May 19, 2024. The association will only be responsible for you if you complete this **deadline**. If you need to help modifying your reservation, you are welcome to email us at events@ghanabadminton.org

13. Indemnity: Ghana Badminton Waiver & Release of Liability

Note: This section must be read and acknowledged when registering for the 2024 ALL GHANA BADMINTON OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS, as provided in the registration link.

By submitting the online entry for 2024 GHANA BADMINTON OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS, the participant (and parent(s)/guardian(s) if the participant is of minority age) affirms having read this document and agrees to be bound by its terms.

Considering my involvement at the 2024 ALL GHANA BADMINTON OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS under the auspices of the GHANA Badminton Association, I acknowledge, appreciate, and agree with that:

- 1. I risk bodily injury, including paralysis, dismemberment, disability, and death, and while particular rules of the sport, equipment, and discipline may reduce this risk, this risk of injury exists, as well as the risk of damage to or loss of property. I knowingly and freely assume all such risks, both known and unknown, even if they arise from the negligence of the releases of others.
- 2. I willingly agree to comply with the state and customary terms and conditions for participation. If, however, I observe any unusual or unnecessary hazard during my presence or participation or if I observe any concern in my readiness for participation, I will immediately bring such to the attention of the nearest official and refrain from participation; and



3. I, for myself, and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives, and next of kin, release, hold harmless and promise not to sue Ghana Badminton organizing Committee, their sponsors, their officers, volunteers, staff, sponsors and/or agents, ("releasees") regarding all injury and loss arising from my participation, whether caused by the negligence of the releases, the condition of the premises or otherwise, except that which results from

gross negligence or wanton misconduct to the fullest extent permitted by law.

- 4. I agree to be bound by the rules and regulations of the BWF and those of Ghana Badminton, and I stipulate I am eligible to play in the events for which I am applying and that I understand that those mentioned above make no representation or warranty regarding the condition of the premises or the operation of the Event.
- 5. I grant to Ghana Badminton, its licensees and contactees, including photographers, television and motion picture rights, including to film or videotape me during matches, narratives, personal interviews, or comment thereon for all commercial, news or other purposes together with the right to transfer or grant their rights to others, all without remuneration or compensation to me whatsoever.

FOR PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE

By allowing participation in the 2024 ALL GHANA BADMINTON OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS I/We, as parent(s)/guardian(s) with legal responsibility of the participant agreeing to abide by this Agreement, do consent and decide not only to his/her release but also for myself/ourselves. My/our heirs, assigns, and next of kin to release and indemnify the Releases from any and all liability incidents to my/our child's involvement as stated above, even if arising from the negligence of the releases, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

- 14. Neither the host nor BAG is responsible for medical expenses incurred during the competition. A medical team will be on-site to cater for primary court injuries.
- 15. BAG reserves the right to change any of the above conditions in the tournament