

REGULATIONS FOR BADMINTON COMPETITION

Dakar 2026 Youth Olympic Games

In Force: 27/04/2026



BWF is empowered to produce specific regulations for the Youth Olympic Games Badminton competition, including, if thought fit, variations to the Competition Regulations.

1. The competitions shall be conducted in accordance with the Laws of Badminton. The General Competition Regulations will apply except where specific provisions are contained in these Regulations.

Where there is any conflict or apparent conflict, the Regulations for the Youth Olympic Games Regulations for Badminton shall take precedence.

2. SEEDING

- 2.1. There shall be eight seeds in the men's singles competition and eight seeds in the women's singles competition.
- 2.2. The seeds for the 2026 Youth Olympic Games Badminton competition shall be determined using the BWF Junior Ranking list of 27 October 2026.

3. METHOD OF COMPETITION

- 3.1. The men's singles competition and women's singles competition shall be played in two stages:

Group Play Stage

Knock Out Stage

- 3.2. The draw for the Competition, at which competing National Olympic Committee may be represented, shall be made in agreement with the Dakar 2026 Organising committee.

3.3. Group Play Stage

- 3.3.1. Initially, the players will play in groups, as below, where all players in each group play each other. A final ranking order for each group shall be achieved.

Group A	Group B	Group C	Group D	Group E	Group F	Group G	Group H
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4

3.3.2. Draw

3.3.2.1. The seeded players shall be placed at the top of each group as follows:

- a) No 1 placed at the top of Group A
- b) No 2 placed at the top of Group H
- c) No 3 and 4 drawn by lot at the top of Groups C and F
- d) No 5 to 8 drawn by lot into top position of each of the remaining groups.

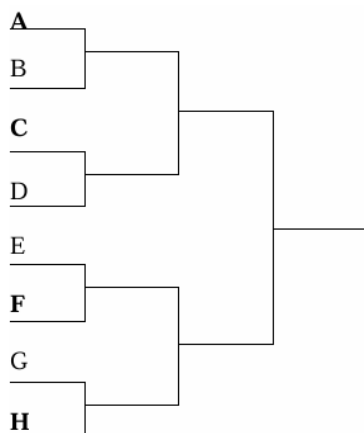
3.3.2.2 Subject to Regulation 4, the remaining players shall be distributed into the groups by lot in a step-by-step manner until all players in the draw are placed.

3.4. In the group play stage, the ranking order shall be established in accordance with General Competition Regulation 16.

3.5. **Knock-out stage**

3.5.1. The top ranked player from each group in the Group Play Stage will qualify for this stage.

3.5.2. The draw for the Knock-out stage will be as below. The winners in each group will be placed at the pre-designated places in the draw:



4. ENTRIES

- 4.1. A player may participate in an event of the Youth Olympic Games Badminton Competition only if the player's entry is made by the closing date for entries as established by the relevant Youth Olympic Games Organising Committee.

5. SUBSTITUTIONS

- 5.1. No changes or substitutions of any kind can be made to the entries after they have been made.