



OPEN BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIP 2026

9th to 12th September 2026

Bebena, Thimphu

OFFICIAL PROSPECTUS

BHUTAN BADMINTON FEDERATION

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Organizer	Bhutan Badminton Federation (BBF) Address: Bebena, Thimphu, Bhutan 11001 https://www.bhutanbadminton.bt/ Contact no.: +975 17477389 Email: vkashgurung@gmail.com										
Sanctioned by	BHUTAN NOC (BHUTAN OLYMPIC COMMITTEE)										
Date	9 th to 12 th September 2026										
Venue	Bebena Sport Complex Address: Thimphu, Bhutan										
Entries	All the players are required to submit their entries ONLINE using the link provided below: - Men's Singles: https://forms.gle/fjZfTv5omWZDNTx9 - Women's Singles: https://forms.gle/oWsnebmQeB4c33946 - Men's Doubles: https://forms.gle/jR9J6aY8mTo4zGps5 - Women's Doubles: https://forms.gle/aemt2NEHJL7bEx676 - Mixed Doubles: https://forms.gle/5gVk3qYMeitxFHih8 - Veteran Singles: 41 and above https://forms.gle/Q4PSPqrNHj6vK5WP6 Players born in 1985 or earlier are eligible to participate in the 40+ category. Therefore, for a player to play in 41 and above they need to have been born in or before the year. Example: <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Birth Year</th><th>Eligible for 41 and above</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1984 and below</td><td>✓ Yes</td></tr> <tr> <td>1985</td><td>✓ Yes</td></tr> <tr> <td>1986</td><td>✗ No</td></tr> <tr> <td>1987 and above</td><td>✗ No</td></tr> </tbody> </table> - Veteran Doubles: Combined age 86 and above (with a minimum of 41 and above) https://forms.gle/JzGNemqu5gvdwiYr6	Birth Year	Eligible for 41 and above	1984 and below	✓ Yes	1985	✓ Yes	1986	✗ No	1987 and above	✗ No
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1984 and below	✓ Yes										
1985	✓ Yes										
1986	✗ No										
1987 and above	✗ No										

At least one player must be **at least 41 years or older**, and their **combined age must be more than 85 years** to be eligible to play.

Example:

- If total is **86 or above** → **allowed**
- If total is **85 or below** → **not allowed**

Player 1	Player 2	Total Age	Eligible
43	43	86	✓ Yes
40	46	86	✗ No
42	43	85	✗ No
41	45	86	✓ Yes

8. Veteran Doubles 50 and above

<https://forms.gle/z9fx6HHzJKKHdXBV8>

Both the players must born in 1976 or earlier (i.e., aged 50 and above in 2026) can participate in the Veteran Doubles 50 and above.

Example:

- 1976 (50) + 1976 (50) → ✓ Allowed
- 1976 (50) + 1977 (49) → ✗ Not allowed (one player is under 50)
- 1970 (56) + 1977 (49) → ✗ Not allowed (one player is under 50)

Entry Deadline: **23rd August (Sunday), 2026**

The online entry page will close immediately on the **entry closing date at 5:00 p.m. Bhutan time (GMT+6)**.

Participants from countries requiring a visa to enter Bhutan are requested to confirm their participation well before the registration deadline to allow the Bhutan Badminton Federation sufficient time to process the necessary visa clearances and supporting documentation.

Late confirmations or submissions received close to the registration deadline may not provide adequate time for visa processing. The Bhutan Badminton Federation shall not be responsible for any delays or inability to secure visas resulting from late confirmation or incomplete documentation.

1. All late submissions including technical errors will not be accepted.
2. No changes to the entries are allowed except for withdrawal.
3. **Minimum of 8** entries in each category is required to commence the category.

(If the minimum number of entries is not met, the entry fees shall be refunded)

For any person having technical difficulties, kindly contact Mr. Norbu Dradhul at ndradhul1@gmail.com before the Entry Dateline provided above.

	If no objection is received by 23rd August (Sunday), 2026 5:00 PM (GMT +6) , the entries shall be deemed to be correct. No complaints / objections shall be entertained after this point.							
Events & Draw Size	- Tournament Format: at the discretion of Organizer - Tournament Size: at the discretion of Organizer							
Format of Play	Best of 3 games to 21 points as per the Laws of Badminton (BWF statute 4.1).							
Entry Fees	Singles: Nu/Rs. 1,500/- per player Doubles/Mixed: Nu/Rs. 3,000/- per pair Note: - Each player is allowed a maximum of two categories only. All the Fees must be deposited in the BBF account mentioned below on or before 23rd August (Sunday), 2026 5:00 PM (GMT +6) to confirm your participation in tournament. For Bhutanese: <table><tr><td>BNBL Account Name:</td><td>Bhutan Badminton Federation</td></tr><tr><td>BNBL Account Number:</td><td>651955401</td></tr></table> For Indian: <table><tr><td>1</td><td>UPI ID: umritirakihda1998@ooaaii</td></tr></table>		BNBL Account Name:	Bhutan Badminton Federation	BNBL Account Number:	651955401	1	UPI ID: umritirakihda1998@ooaaii
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Amrit Adhikari (A2)



UPI ID: umritirakihda1998@okaxis

Scan to pay with any UPI app

ALL RECEIPTS OF PAYMENT MUST BE SUBMITTED TO MS. YANGCHEN DEMA FOR BHUTANESE AND INDIAN'S PARTICIPANTS @+975 17852653 (WHATSAPP)

Note:

- Failing to make payment on or before **23rd August (Sunday), 2026 5:00 PM (GMT +6)** shall deem **automatic withdrawal** from the tournament.
- Your tournament participation will be confirmed only after the payment has been received.
- If you come across any issue while making payment, please contact Ms. Yangchen Dema.
- All fees are **non-refundable** unless the category has been cancelled.

Prize Money & Medals

Events	Winner (Nu./Rs.)	Runners-Up (Nu./Rs.)
Men's Singles	50,000/-	25,000/-
Women's Singles	50,000/-	25,000/-
Men's Doubles	40,000/-	20,000/-

	Women’s Doubles	40,000/-	20,000/-
	Mixed Doubles	40,000/-	20,000/-
	Veteran Singles	35,000/-	20,000/-
	Veteran Doubles (Combine 86 and above)	30,000/-	20,000/-
	Veteran Doubles (50 and above)	30,000/-	20,000/-
	NOTE: - The organizer will award the prize money in cash in the closing Ceremony. - All the winners will be awarded with medals and certificate.		
Key Dates	Entry deadline	23 rd August (Sunday), 2026 5:00 PM (GMT +6)	
	Main and Qualifying Draw Seeding	Seeding will be based on first come first entry basis for the non-ranked players	
	Last day of payment for Main entries and Withdrawal	23 rd August (Sunday), 2026 5:00 PM (GMT +6)	
	Draw	8 th September, 2026	
	Tournament commencement	9 th September, 2026	
	All Documents can be found in BBF Website: www.bhutanbadminton.bt		
Withdrawals	If anyone fail to pay the fees by the deadline mentioned above, or if they fail to provide Ms. Yangchen Dema with a clear explanation of the payment issue, the withdrawal will be considered automatic.		
	Please ensure that missing an event after your confirmation of participation will result in a penalty and that participating in any other competition in Bhutan may be suspended in the future.		
Shuttles	- TBC		
Competition Rules and Regulations	Relevant Badminton World Federation Regulations shall be applicable to this competition.		
Clothing & Advertising	Proper sport attire		
On Court Doctor	Basic spray, pain killers and bandages will be provided. Players are advised to bring their own medical supplies.		

Doping Control	Doping Tests may be conducted randomly throughout the tournament. Doping control in badminton, in accordance with BWF Anti-Doping Regulations, is conducted out-of-competition and in-competition with the collection of urine and/or blood samples. Athletes are responsible for any substance found in their bodies. Before an athlete takes any medication, they should check with their doctor, and if necessary, get a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE). For more information about anti-doping, please visit the BWF website: https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-doping-overview/
Badminton Integrity	Section 2.4 of the BWF Statutes (Code of Conduct in Relation to Betting, Wagering and Irregular Match Results) relates to anti-corruption and anti-match manipulation, and this code applies to all participants at this tournament. To protect the integrity of BWF sanctioned tournaments, participants are not allowed to bet in any way on badminton matches, respect the principle of fair play, and shall not attempt to influence the course or result of a game or match. Every person has an obligation to report to the BWF any approaches by anyone to gather inside information or to change the outcome of matches. https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/
Visa Process and SDF Waive Off	Contact no.: +975 17477389 Email: vkashgurung@gmail.com Entry visas and SDF Waive Off information can be obtained from the following website: http://www.mfa.gov.bt/visa <i>Who Needs a Bhutan Visa?</i> All visitors require a visa before traveling to Bhutan (except those from India, Bangladesh, for whom the relevant processes and fees are outlined below). <i>Visa Fee</i> This is a non-refundable government fee of Nu. 5000/- per person for one time, regardless of your nationality or length of stay. <i>For participants entering Bhutan via Indian – Bhutan Boarder, please take note of the following documents:</i> 1. Passport Original having valid for six months from the intended date of departure from Bhutan 2. Bring Voter Card issued by the Election Commission of India along with original Aadhaar Card and recent Passport size photo. (No xerox/No copy/No pvc copy) 3. Participants Under 18 years of age should have an original birth certificate with a parent concern letter form. Entry permit form https://www.doi.gov.bt/wp-content/uploads/2025/10/ENTRY-PERMIT-FORM.pdf

	Parent Consent form for minors (Under 18 years old) https://www.doi.gov.bt/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/consent-form-for-minors.pdf or visit Department of Immigration Ministry of Home Affairs Royal Government of Bhutan home page and entry into Entry permit form and Consent form for Minors <i>All international participants are required to carry a valid passport for entry into Bhutan.</i> <i>Indian nationals who do not possess a valid passport may enter Bhutan using their original Voter Identity Card issued by the Election Commission of India (EPIC) and Original Aadhaar Card. Photocopies, scanned copies, digital copies, Aadhaar Cards, or any other forms of identification will not be accepted in lieu of a passport or original Voter Identity Card.</i> <i>Participants are advised to ensure that they possess the appropriate travel documents and comply with all applicable immigration requirements prior to travel. The Bhutan Badminton Federation shall not be responsible for any denial of entry arising from incomplete or invalid travel documentation.</i>
Entry Assistance	To facilitate the entry of international participants into Bhutan through the Phuentsholing Immigration Checkpoint, the Bhutan Badminton Federation will provide entry assistance on 7th and 8th September 2026. Participants requiring assistance with immigration formalities must contact the Federation's focal person before 9:00 AM on the day of arrival. Early notification is essential, as immigration clearance and permit processing require time. Failure to inform the focal person before 9:00 AM may result in delays to the entry process. For assistance, please contact: Mr. Tshering Dorji BBF Focal Person – Immigration & Entry Assistance Email: phajo1995@gmail.com Phone number: +97577746241
Tournament Committee	
Chairperson	Mr. Bikash Gurung Development Manager
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**Hotel/Accommodation
Reservation/
Transportation**

Sl. No.	Hotel Name	Super Delux (Room)	Delux (Room)	Breakfast	Dinner	Service Charge (10%) and GST (5%)	Hotel to Badminton Venue
1	Hotel Lhading (***)	Nu. 2200	Nu. 2000	Nu. 400 per person	Nu. 600 per person	Applicable	5 min walk

Sl. No.	Hotel Name	Particulars	Service Charge (10%) and GST (5%)	Hotel to Badminton Venue
2	Druk Noryang Hotel (***)	Nu. 2000 per person for Super Delux with breakfast and Dinner.	Applicable	10 mins drive (shuttle bus pick and drop provided)

Sl. No.	Hotel Name	Meal Plan	Single Occupancy	Double Occupancy	Service Charge (10%) and GST (5%)	Hotel to Badminton Venue
3	Ariya (****)	MAPI	6195	6900	Applicable	10 min walk
		APAI	7200	8550		

4. Hotel Dralha

Room Types	Meal Plan	Dbl	Single	Off season	
Deluxe	MAP	3300	2600/-	3000/-	2600/-
	Cp	2800/-	2600/-	2500/-	2200/-
	EP	2200 Dbl	2000/- Sgl	2000/-	1800/-
	AP	4400/-	3600/-	3800/-	3400/-
MAP	Extra Bed=1000/	Cp=1500/-	MAP=1800/-	1500/-	1200/-

* All above rate are excluding 7%S.C and 5% GST

If any personnel require assistant booking the Hotel and Transportation please contact:

Ms. Yangchen Dema
Phone number: +97517852653
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**Indemnity &
Insurance**

Any participating associations and their delegated competitors/officials should agree to indemnify and not hold the organizing committee accountable for and against any claims for personal injury, financial loss, death or property damage, in any form, arising out of

	or in any way resulting from the participation in, postponement or cancellation of the said tournament. The organizer will NOT be responsible for any injury sustained, at any time, by any player or official arising from his participation in these Championships. Any costs incurred for medical treatment and / or hospitalization shall be borne by the player/official concerned. Please ensure that your players & team officials possess the requisite insurance coverage to meet current requirements.
Important Note:	- Ranking will be based on first come first basis for non-ranked players. - Entry fees must be paid before 28th August (Friday), 2026 5:00 PM Bhutan Time (GMT +6). Your tournament participation will be confirmed only after the payment has been received. - Each player maximum entry of two categories only - Please ensure that the information you provide is accurate; the administration reserves the right to refuse any submissions with inaccurate information. - Players must report 15 minutes before your match, failure to report on time may result in disqualification. - The tournament organizers may modify the schedule, format, or rules of the tournament at any time without notice. - It is mandatory that all players wear non-marking or badminton shoes during the match. - Present a valid CID or Aadhaar card before your match. - BBF reserves the right to use your photograph and video footage taken during the tournament for official promotional, publicity and social media purpose.