



Badminton Canada Default and Failure to Compete Match Policy

1. Preamble

1.1 Badminton Canada believes that in entering a tournament a player accepts the responsibility to follow-through and to compete in all events of the tournament. However, Badminton Canada recognizes that there may be circumstances in Canada where the Rules of Badminton on withdrawals may be deviated.

1.2 This Policy will:

- a) Help protect the integrity of the tournament, event and associated rankings;
- b) Protect players who are affected by a player not showing up or withdrawing from the tournament (e.g. a player driving 1 hour to an event and gets there and realizes that his/her opponent has not shown up or has withdrawn); and
- c) Help create and teach each player the responsibility and the importance of following through on commitments.

2. Application

2.1 This Policy applies to Badminton Canada sanctioned tournaments only.

2.2 This Policy does not apply to BWF, Pan Am, or Canada Games tournaments.

3. Withdrawals

3.1 Players must withdraw before any draws are posted. For a withdrawal to be valid, the withdrawal must be accepted and confirmed by the person responsible for accepting tournament entries (BCAN Staff) prior to the seeds being posted.

3.2 If the player withdraws after the draws have been posted or fails to appear for his/her scheduled match the Rules of Badminton pertaining to withdrawals applies (section 14.1.4 of BWF General Competition Regulations - [LINK](#))

- a) For doubles, if one player in the pair withdraws, his or her partner will not be penalized.



4. Exceptions

4.1 A player who retires from a match due to illness or injury may continue to play another event at the tournament if the player's condition has improved to the extent that he may perform at full capacity, whether the same day or a later day.

a) The Sports Medicine Trainer, if present, or Referee shall use his/her best judgment in determining whether the player shall be allowed to continue to play another event.

4.2 A player can withdraw from a consolation event only if:

a) the player is still competing in another main draw event; AND

b) the player provides the Referee 1 hours' notice prior to start of the scheduled consolation match.

- Communication must be done in person or from the players personal email to the referee's email.
- In doubles a partner can withdraw from the pairing from consolations.

5. Refunds

5.1 Refunds are provided to players, less a 25% administration fee, who withdraw prior to the entry deadline of the competition.

5.2 After the entry deadline, but before the draws are made, refunds are provided less a 50% administration fee.

5.3 Refunds will not be provided for withdrawals after the draws have been made.

5.4 Full refunds will be provided in the case of injury. A physician's letter or medical certificate must be provided to BCAN in order to receive a full refund.

6. Review

6.1 The BCAN Board of Directors and Executive Director shall review this Policy biennially.

Last Reviewed and approved by the Badminton Canada Board of Directors on:

Date: April 21st 2018



Confirmed by:

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Anil Kaul, President

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Joe Morissette, Executive Director