

BADMINTON NORTH HARBOUR INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL TEAM COMPETITION

TERM 3 LEAGUE – 2026

COMPETITION BEGINS MONDAY 27 JULY

TEAM COMPETITION

- Separate competition for boys and girls
- Mondays: Boys
- Tuesdays: Girls
- There are two sections: A & B. If players have played before and/or are in a club team, they are to enter section A; if they are new players to badminton, they are to play in section B.
- Matches must be ready to start at 4pm sharp. Finishing time is 5.30pm at the latest.
- *Please note: there is a possibility that some grades in the competition will play at our alternative venue in Corinthian Drive, Albany. If you are entering teams, they must be able to play at this venue if needed. If two venues are used, schools north of Constellation Drive will play at Albany while those that are south will play at Badminton North Harbour, Forrest Hill. A decision will be made once entries close on Friday 3 July.*
- Team numbers may be restricted should we receive more entries than we can accommodate.

IMPORTANT DATES

- The Intermediate team competition will begin on the week of Monday 27 July
- Entries for the term three competition close on **Friday 3 July**.
- The competition will run for up to eight weeks depending on the number of teams entered.
- There will be no play on the week of 7 September due to AIMS Games.
- Enter through this link: <https://bit.ly/IntSchoolBadmintonLeague2026>

FEES

- The entry fee per team will be \$220.00 including GST.
- Your school will be invoiced during term three for these fees.
- This fee covers court hire, shuttles, administration costs, pizzas for prize-giving and medals for the winning teams in each section.

ENTRY & RANKING OF TEAMS

- Entry is to be completed via the online entry link.
- Please enter your team in ranked order of ability. This order must be played throughout the competition and any reserves used come in at the bottom.
- All players in this competition must be from years 7 & 8.
- Teams must be graded as either A or B.
- Section A is for players that have played before.
- Section B is for players that are new to badminton.
- Please note: under no circumstances can a North Harbour representative player play in the B section.
- Entries close on **Friday 3 July** – no late entries will be accepted.



MATCH STRUCTURE

- Both sections play four singles and two doubles games per tie. A minimum of four and a maximum of six players per team are required. Four players are ideal, however having an extra one can be beneficial if players are unwell or unavailable.
- Each student in a team must be ranked from player 1-4 and up to 6 with the strongest being number 1.
- The scoring will be one game to 21 points.

Badminton North Harbour reserves the right to regrade or reposition any team or players as required. This is sometimes necessary due to the number of teams entered in a section or a player being placed in the wrong grade.

UMPIRES

- All games will be umpired by students from the teams playing on that court. Attached is a copy of the Badminton Simplified Rules for you and your students. **STUDENTS MUST KNOW THE BASICS OF BADMINTON BEFORE PLAYING IN THIS COMPETITION.**

RESULTS

- These will be available on our website <https://www.bnh.org.nz/secondary/>

DEFAULTS

- Defaults are a problem that we aim to eliminate and should not happen.
- They are very disruptive to the competition and should only happen as a last resort.
- Defaulting teams must notify both the opposing team and Badminton North Harbour by midday on the day of the match.
- Please do not enter teams that have players who are not committed.
- Once draws are published, any defaulting team will be charged their entry fee.

SUPERVISION

- All schools must have a supervising teacher or parent to remain with teams for the duration of the session.
- Supervisors should also ensure that teams arrive on time and start their matches promptly. If there is delay in starting, it is likely that all matches will not be completed.
- Badminton North Harbour has a great facility. Please make sure students respect it whilst here. We will not tolerate behaviour that may have a negative impact on our venue or staff.

SHUTTLES

- Feather shuttles will be used for both sections.

FOOTWEAR & CLOTHING

- No dirty or marking shoes are to be worn on the courts.
- Schools sports uniform is encouraged by not compulsory. Players are expected to be in clothing that is appropriate for badminton i.e. no jeans, jandals, coats etc



COACHING

- Pre-season coaching is available from our Development Officer, Gaea Galvez. If you would like further details, please contact Gaea on 410-6941 or email gaea@bnh.org.nz. We can also run trials for your school if required.

Attached is a copy of the badminton simplified rules booklet. It is essential that all players know the rules of the game before the competition begins. If you have any further enquiries, please do not hesitate to contact me. If any of the contact details have changed within your school, please inform us.

I look forward to receiving your entries.

ENTRY LINK: <https://bit.ly/IntSchoolBadmintonLeague2026>

Kind Regards,



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