

# THE 96<sup>TH</sup> ALL ENGLAND SENIORS OPEN BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS

SANCTIONED BY THE BADMINTON WORLD FEDERATION

[Over 35, Over 40, Over 45, Over 50, Over 55, Over 60, Over 65 & Over 70]

**THURSDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> – SUNDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> APRIL 2012**

at the

**NATIONAL BADMINTON CENTRE  
MILTON KEYNES, MK8 9LA**

Tel: 01908 578300

#### SCHEDULE OF PLAY

Men's & Women's Singles - Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> & Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April

Men's & Women's Doubles - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> & Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> April

Mixed Doubles - Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> & Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April

The early rounds of all events will be played in groups.

The above times and order of play may be changed at the discretion of the Referee

The events are open to players over 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65 or 70 years of age on the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2011

**ENTRY CLOSES: FRIDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> MARCH 2012**

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#### CHAMPIONSHIP SECRETARY

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## CONDITIONS - TO BE RETAINED BY COMPETITOR

1. No player shall be eligible to compete unless he or she has attained the qualifying age of 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65 or 70 by **1st January 2012**; is in good standing with his or her national association; and has been for at least one month immediately preceding the closing date for entry into the tournament (a) a playing member of a club affiliated (i) to BADMINTON England, or (ii) to an Association in membership with the Badminton World Federation [BWF]; or (b) an Individual Associate Member of BADMINTON England. A declaration to these effects shall be signed by every prospective competitor.
2. A competitor may only enter one age group in each event (but may play in a different age group in different events if otherwise eligible). The Committee reserves the right not to run events in which the entry is less than four pairs (three players for singles events) and to restrict entries for all events. Past results may be taken into account. The committee also reserves the right to refuse entries in any event without assigning any reason, and to modify the programme in any way it sees fit. Its decision in all matters shall be final.
3. All entries must be made on the official form and must be received by the Championship Secretary with entry fees by **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2012**. Each competitor must send in a separate entry form, and no pair will be accepted unless entry forms and fees have been received from both players. If at its discretion the Committee should accept entries and/or fees after this date there will be a SURCHARGE of £5.00 per player. The Committee will do its best to find partners for any competitors in any of the events, if they are unable to find their own, but no guarantees can be given. Any competitor who is without a partner for any event and wants to be included in that event should write, "partner wanted" in the appropriate place on the entry form.
4. All competitors must be prepared to play on the day and at the time(s) stated for the commencement of each event. If a later time is stated in the appropriate column on the entry form, the Referee will consider this, but no guarantee can be given. Each competitor will be notified of the time of their first match in each event entered. If no such notification has been received by 7 days prior to the Championships it is the responsibility of the competitor to enquire from the Championships Secretary. Competitors must report to the Referee immediately on arrival, and must not leave the venue without the Referee's permission. Any competitor not ready to play when called will be liable to be scratched. Play shall not take place on days other than those specifically sanctioned, and no competitor shall be obliged to commence a match before 9 a.m. or after 11 p.m. on any day. Any competitor who is not prepared to play outside the times of play shall be entitled to a return of his or her entry fee.
5. The entry fee is **£19.50 GBP** (incl.VAT) per competitor for each event entered. P.O's/Cheques should be made payable to 'BADMINTON England'. Please do not post cash.
6. BADMINTON England is committed to providing equal treatment for all its staff, members, associated members, prospective members, guests and prospective guests in compliance with the Equality Act 2010. By entering this tournament you agree to comply with BADMINTON England's Equality and Diversity Policy. A copy of the policy can be downloaded from the BADMINTON England website.
7. BADMINTON England will not be liable for any expense incurred as a result of these Championships being cancelled or postponed. All expenses are at the sole risk of the competitor.
8. Yonex AS-50 Feather Shuttlecocks will be used.
9. The events will be run in accordance with the Competition Regulations of the Badminton World Federation and Regulations for BADMINTON England Tournaments.
10. The draw will be seeded and the early rounds of events will be played in groups. There shall be no alteration in the published draw except as permitted in BWF and BADMINTON England Regulations. The period for knocking up before any match shall not exceed three minutes.
11. **SCORING.** The Rally Points Scoring system shall be used, as outlined within the Laws of Badminton. A match will be the best of 3 games to 21 points, At 20 all; the side gaining a 2 point lead first shall win that game. At 29 all, the side scoring the 30<sup>th</sup> point wins that game.
12. **CLOTHING.** All clothing worn during play must be acceptable badminton sports clothing. Each article of clothing may be of any colour or combination of colours. It is recommended that doubles partners wear the same colours. Abstract designs are permitted when devoid of advertising, commercial or promotional content or when forming part of an advert under the following regulation and falling wholly within the permitted dimensions. The front of the shirt may carry the flag or emblem of the country or county represented. The family name and, if desired, initials may appear on the back of the shirt in capital letters in one single colour between 6-10 centimetres in height, in a contrasting panel if the shirt is patterned, horizontal and placed near the top. The country or county represented may also appear below the name (if shown)(the same conditions on lettering apply). Below the name and country or county (if shown) advertising in accordance with condition 11 may appear. The decision of the Referee on the suitability of clothing and advertising is final.
13. **ADVERTISING.** The shirt may carry up to three adverts each of 20 square centimetres or less, no more than one on any of the following five places: left collar, right collar, left sleeve, right sleeve, or front; and advertising contained in a band of uniform width not exceeding 10 centimetres which may be at any angle and may be on the front or back or both. Each sock and shoe may carry two adverts of 20 square centimetres or less. Other articles of clothing may carry one such advert. The adverts referred to in this paragraph may be the clothing manufacturer's emblem or that of any sponsor.
14. **PRIZES.** Winners and losing finalists will receive a product prize to the value of approximately £25 and £12.50 respectively provided sufficient entries are received.
15. **WITHDRAWAL.** Notification of withdrawal before the Championships start must be given immediately to the Referee, or if not available, the Championship Secretary using the contact details shown overleaf. Confirmation of any telephone call must be sent in writing to the Championship Secretary. Withdrawal during the Championships must be notified to the Referee or Deputy Referee directly.
16. **PENALTIES.** The following penalty system will apply: The penalty system will apply, as detailed in the BADMINTON England Regulations for Tournaments, to include (not exclusively) the following:

(a) Failure to arrive without notification	£100.00
(b) Failure to arrive with notification within a reasonable period but without proper reason	£50.00
(c) Late arrival on court without proper reason	£20.00
(d) Cards for misconduct. The following are the penalties for receiving a card for misconduct:	
	Yellow £20.00
	Red £40.00

If a player receives a black card the case will be referred to a disciplinary hearing as set out in the Disciplinary Procedure of BADMINTON England

Note: A player who is penalised under the penalty system has the right to appeal against the penalty imposed. Such appeal must be made in writing, and sent with the penalty fee imposed, to BADMINTON England (made payable to BADMINTON England and sent for the attention of the Head of Competitions and Events) within 28 days of the close of the tournament.

17. **DRUG TESTING.** To be eligible to participate or assist any participant in any event or activity organised or authorised by or held under the rules of the Association wherever held, you must comply with the current Anti-Doping Policy of the Association and shall be deemed to have agreed with and consented to these Rules. A copy of this Policy is available on the BADMINTON England website [www.badmintonengland.co.uk]. You should be advised that participants may be subject to random testing for drugs at any time during the event by agents sanctioned by the Association or the Badminton World Federation. Failure to comply with a request for testing may result in you being subject to the same sanctions as for a positive doping test. For a list of banned substances, you should refer to the UK Sport website [www.ukspor.gov.uk]

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NAME OF COMPETITOR \_\_\_\_\_  
 FORENAME AND SURNAME BY WHICH YOU WISH TO BE KNOWN IN THE PROGRAMME \_\_\_\_\_

The Entry Form together with entry fees must be sent to the Championships Secretary shown on page 1 of this prospectus.  
 Please enter my name for events as indicated, for which I enclose remittance covering entry fees (PO's & cheques payable to *BADMINTON England*)

Event	Initials of Competitor	Age Group (Over)	Partner's name IN CAPITALS	Condition 3	Entry Fee
1. Men's Singles					
2. Women's Singles					
3. Men's Doubles					
4. Women's Doubles					
5. Mixed Doubles					
<b>ENTRY FEES : £19.50 GBP PER PLAYER PER EVENT</b>				Surcharge	£
				Total	£

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS – ALL QUESTIONS MUST BE ANSWERED

I have been for more than one month prior to the Championships a member of the \_\_\_\_\_

Badminton Club affiliated to the \_\_\_\_\_ Badminton Association or to the National Badminton

Association or Union of \_\_\_\_\_ or An Individual Member of BADMINTON England.

My affiliation number is: \_\_\_\_\_

**ENTRIES FROM ENGLISH PLAYERS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT THIS NUMBER**

Are you willing to play in a different age group if your preferred age group is cancelled?

<b>Singles</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>No</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Doubles</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>No</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Mixed</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>No</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Have you played for a County, Group or Regional team in the current or immediate past season? **Yes**  **No**

*(If you answer 'No' please enter the County for which you are eligible & which you want to be regarded as representing for county seeding)*  
 If so, which county \_\_\_\_\_

Give recent tournament results and/or other information as to your standard, including recent results from: World Senior Championships, European Senior Championships, All England Senior Championships, National Masters Championships and any Other Domestic Tournaments of Significance.  
**[Any 'Non-English' player must complete this section as fully as possible]**

National Ranking (if known)	Singles	Doubles	Mixed Doubles

**FOR PUBLICITY PURPOSES:**

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation/ Sponsor(s) \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

**NAME AND ADDRESS (PLEASE COMPLETE IN CAPITALS):**

Title (Mr, Mrs etc) \_\_\_\_\_ Forename \_\_\_\_\_ Surname \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Postcode \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No. Home \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_

These details will be stored in a database at BADMINTON England and may be given to organisers of other badminton tournaments. If you do not wish to receive tournament or event information, please indicate by ticking the box. By signing below you confirm that all details are correct and all conditions of entry have been met.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_