# SATHIO GROUP AUSTRALIAN BADMINTON OPEN II-16 JUNE 2024





















- OFFICIAL PROSPECTUS -Invitation to

## **SATHIO GROUP Australian Open 2024**

## HSBC BWF World Super 500

## 11 - 16 June 2024 QUAYCENTRE, SYDNEY OLYMPIC PARK

Prize Money: US\$ 420,000

Dear Member Associations,

On behalf of Badminton Australia, our sponsors and the passionate badminton community here, it is with great pleasure that we welcome you to the HSBC BWF World Tour Super 500 tournament at the SATHIO GROUP Australian Open in Sydney, Australia. We are honoured to be hosting this prestigious tournament in this region, and we are committed to ensuring a safe and enjoyable experience for all participants.

As we welcome players and officials from around the world, we look forward to showcasing the best Australian hospitality and sportsmanship. Our dedicated organising team, officials and volunteers are ready to deliver an outstanding event, and we are excited to share this memorable tournament with each and everyone of you.

To all competitors, we extend our best wishes for the success in the competition, and may your time in Sydney be filled with unforgettable experiences and cherished moments. Thank you and looking forward to welcoming you to Sydney for what promises to be an exhilarating tournament.

Julie McDonald President



















## **1. General Details**

Host Member	Badminton Australia Level 2 Sports House, 375 Albert Road Albert Park, Victoria 3026, AUSTRALIA T: +613 8319 5717 E: admin@badminton.org.au W: www.badminton.org.au
Organiser	Australian Badminton League Pty Ltd 2B/172 Silverwater Road Silverwater, NSW 2128, AUSTRALIA E: Info@ausbadmintonopen.com W: <u>https://ausbadmintonopen.com/</u>
Sanction	Badminton World Federation
Tournament Date	11-16 June 2024
Competition Venue	Quaycentre Olympic Boulevard, Sydney Olympic Park NSW 2127, AUSTRALIA Venue website: www.quaycentre.com.au
Media Links	Tournament website: www.ausbadmintonopen.com@AusBadOpen@ausbadopen@AusBadOpen@ausbadmintonopen
Referee Team	Referee: Chris LAWRENCE (USA) Email: CCclawrence@aol.com Deputy Referee: Artur ZALUZHNOI (EST) Email: artur.zaluzhnoi@gmail.com
	Local Referee: Stephanie HO (NCL) Email: shy.nc@live.fr
Useful Contacts	Event Director: Loke Poh WONG Email: poh@bigpond.net.au Deputy Event Director: Julie CARREL Email: julie@badmintonoceania.org

















**Tournament Secretary:** Kathy FONG Email: secretary@ausbadmintonopen.com

Insurance coverage	Players and all members of the national delegation shall hold valid insurance for damages of any nature caused to third parties. Such insurance shall cover bodily injury, including medical and hospitalisation expenses incurred in the host country, as well as all expenses and costs associated to repatriating the injured party to its country of residence.
Indemnity	To the extent permitted by applicable law, all players and members of the national delegation shall release the BWF, the Tournament Organiser, and their respective officers, officials, employees, agents and representatives, from any and all liability, damage, loss, cost or expense that such players and members of the national delegation may incur as a result or in connection with their participation to the Tournament.
Participant Agreement for Use of Photographs and Videos	Players and all members of the national delegation shall agree to give the BWF and the Tournament Organiser full television and motion picture rights, including permission to film players and members of the national delegation during all matches and activities around the Tournament, for any commercial, news or other purpose together with the right to transfer such right, including without compensation.
Deadlines	Close of Entries: Tuesday 30 April 2024 Visa Invitation and Request Form: Tuesday 14 May 2024 Accreditation Request Form: Tuesday 21 May 2024 Media Accreditation Request Form: Tuesday 21 May 2024 Transport Request Form: Tuesday 21 May 2024 Practice Request Form: Tuesday 28 May 2024

## 2. Entry Details

**Regulations** 

(Conditions of Play)

This tournament will be run in accordance with, but not limited to, the Badminton World Federation (BWF) Statutes, General Competition Regulations (GCR), and BWF World Tour Regulations. In the event of any dispute, the decision of the Tournament Referee will be final.

This tournament will strictly enforce the Clothing, Equipment, and Advertising Regulations as outlined in the BWF GCR 20 - 24. This includes restrictions of certain colours for shirts, shorts, and skirts to avoid issues with virtual advertising on TV courts, as per GCR 21.7.

















Scoring System       Best of three games to 21 points, as per the Laws of Badminton (BWF Statute 4.1)         Instant Review System       The Instant Review System (IRS) will be available on Court 1, and is regulated as per BWF Statute 4.1.8.         Key Dates       Entry Deadline       Tuesday, 30 April 2024         World Ranking Date for M&Q Report       Tuesday, 03 June 2024         World Ranking Date for M&Q Report       Friday, 03 June 2024         World Ranking Date for Seeding Report       Tuesday, 04 June 2024         World Ranking Date for Seeding Report       Tuesday, 04 June 2024         Publication Date for Seeding Report       Tuesday, 04 June 2024         Draws       Event       Direct Main Draw Entries       Qualifying Maximum Entries         Men's Singles       28       4       8         Wormen's Singles       28       4       8         Worms Doubles       28       4       8         Men's Doubles       28       4       8         Men's Doubles       28       4       8         More Stoubles       28       4       8         Men's Doubles       28       4       8         Men's Doubles       28       4       8         Men's Doubles       28       4       8         Mi					
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	Member Associations should contact BWF immediately if such notice is not received by <b>Wednesday, 01 May 2024</b> at 12:00 hrs BWF Headquarters time. If no objection is received by BWF by <b>Thursday, 02 May 2024</b> at 23:59 hrs BWF Headquarters time, the entries shall be deemed to be correct. No complaints/objections will be entertained after this point.
Online Entry – AUSTRALIAN Entries	<ul> <li>Eligible player wishing to enter through the hosting Member Association must follow a different process to international entries.</li> <li>Australian Entries Only:</li> <li>Please note - All Australian entries can only be submitted to BWF by Badminton Australia. Australian entries close Wednesday 24 April 2024. This is to allow for checking and endorsement of all Australian entries.</li> <li>Australian players entries must be entered online through the following link:</li> <li>https://www.tournamentsoftware.com/tournament/9154CCEF-2721-40D7-A848-30DFA5C5EEB3</li> <li>Australian entry fee is AUD \$120.00 per person regardless of the events entered. Australian player must be a member of an Association/Club registered to their State/Territories and is of good standing. Entry fee will entitle a player access to the venue, spectators and practice areas until Friday 14 June 2024. Players who are still in the draw from Friday onwards will be issued a new accreditation pass.</li> </ul>
Withdrawals	The management of withdrawals will be run in accordance with BWF GCR 13 and 14. Member Associations can withdraw their entries through the BWF Online Group Entry system until the last date of withdrawal without penalty (see Key Dates Section). Withdrawals made after this date will incur a penalty in accordance with the BWF Table of Offences and Penalties (BWF Statute 2.5). Please ensure that the Tournament Referee and Host Organiser are notified immediately in writing, clearly stating the reason for the withdrawal. If a Member Association needs to withdraw any entries once players have arrived in the host city, notification of withdrawal must be made by the Team Manager in person to the Tournament Referee, or Deputy Referee(s), and must also be confirmed in writing to:

















Referee: Chris LAWRENCE (USA) Email: CCclawrence@aol.com

**Deputy Referee:** Artur ZALUZHNOI (EST) Email: artur.zaluzhnoi@gmail.com

Local Referee: Stephanie HO (NCL) Email: shy.nc@live.fr

**Tournament Secretary:** Kathy FONG Email: secretary@ausbadmintonopen.com

World Tour Regulation Updates Please note that this HSBC BWF World Tour tournament will implement new draw regulations (in effect as of Week 20 in 2024), including the date of the main draw, and the adjustment of seeded entries, should one or more seeded entries withdraw. More information and details will be provided by the referee at the Team Managers' Meeting. In the meantime, for more information, please refer to the World Tour Regulations (BWF Statutes, Section 5.2.2).

















### **3. Tournament Details**

#### **Prize Money**

A prize fund of US\$ 420,000 will be distributed in accordance with BWF Statute 5.3.5, and awarded as per the table below.

#### Withholding Tax under Australian Taxation Law may apply.

	Prize money are in USD				
	Winner	Runner Up	Semi Finalist	Quarter Finalist	Last 16
Men's Singles	31,500.00	15,960.00	6,090.00	2,520.00	1,470.00
Women's Singles	31,500.00	15,960.00	6,090.00	2,520.00	1,470.00
Men's Doubles	33,180.00*	15,960.00*	5,880.00*	3,045.00*	1,575.00*
Women's Doubles	33,180.00*	15,960.00*	5,880.00*	3,045.00*	1,575.00*
Mixed Doubles	33,180.00*	15,960.00*	5,880.00*	3,045.00*	1,575.00*

\* – per pair

#### Competition Schedule

Day	Event	Round	Courts	Doors Open	Start
Tuesday	Qualifying	Q	4	08:00	09:00
(11 June)	MD/WD	Round of 32	4	08:00	16:00
Wednesday (12 June)	MS/WS/MD/WD/XD	Round of 32	4	08:00	09:00
Thursday (13 June)	MS/WS/MD/WD/XD	Round of 16	4	11:00	12:00
Friday (14 June)	MS/WS/MD/WD/XD	Quarterfinals	3	11:00	12:00
Saturday (15 June)	MS/WS/MD/WD/XD	Semifinals	2	11:00	12:00
Sunday (16 June)	MS/WS/MD/WD/XD	Finals	1	12:00	13:00
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#### Note:

All qualifying rounds are to be played on Tuesday. MD and WD first round Main Draws will be played on Tuesday after qualifying, except the matches with the players from the MD & WD qualifying rounds.

Players who competed in the Finals of the Indonesia Open 2024 will play their Main Draw matches on Wednesday 12 June.

Times and order of play may be changed at the discretion of the Tournament Referee.

















Official Shuttle	VICTOR Master Ace
Practice Facilities	<ul> <li>Practice Facilities Information: <ul> <li>Location 1: Sports Halls, Grand Parade, Sydney Olympic Park (7 Courts)</li> <li>Location 2: NBC Silverwater, 172 Silverwater Rd, Silverwater (6 Courts)</li> <li>Schedule: Sun 09 June (12:00om - 5:00pm) Mon 10 June (12:00pm - 5:00pm) Tue 11 June (8:30am - 5:30pm) Wed - Sun (12 -16 June) - request to be made at venue on daily basis</li> <li>Booking/Reservation information: To complete and submit on time the Practice Form attached.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Warmup Courts Information: <ul> <li>Location: Quaycentre, Olympic Boulevard, Sydney Olympic Park</li> <li>Number of Courts: 3</li> <li>Schedule: Sat 08 June (9:00am - 9:00pm) Sun 09 June (9:00am - 9:00pm)</li> <li>Mon 10 June (9:00am - 9:00pm)</li> <li>Mon 10 June (9:00am - 9:00pm)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Form attached.</li> <li>Court Mat Color: Green</li> <li>Competition Courts Information:         <ul> <li>Location: Quaycentre, Olympic Boulevard, Sydney Olympic Park</li> <li>Number of Courts: 4</li> <li>Schedule: Sun 09 June (9:00am - 9:00pm) Mon 10 June (9:00am - 9:00pm)</li> <li>Booking/Reservation Information: To complete and submit on time the Practice Form attached.</li> <li>Court Mat Color: Green</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Practice Shuttle	<ul> <li>Practice Shuttles Information:</li> <li>• 2 shuttlecocks per player will be issued for practice</li> </ul>

















Player Facilities	<ul> <li>Player Lounge Information:</li> <li>Location: Quaycentre, adjacent to warm up courts</li> <li>Schedule: From start of practice to end of competition</li> <li>Facilities Description: Internet, fruits and refreshments</li> </ul> Stringing Services: <ul> <li>Location: Quaycentre, adjacent to warm up courts</li> <li>Schedule: From start of practice to end of competition</li> <li>Cost: To be advised at Team managers' meeting</li> </ul>
Umpire Briefing	<ul> <li>The Umpire Briefing will be held at the following:</li> <li>Date: Monday 10 June 2024</li> <li>Time: 16:00hrs</li> <li>Location: Acacia Room, Quaycentre</li> </ul>
Team Managers' Meeting	<ul> <li>The Team Managers' Meeting will be held at the following:</li> <li>Date: Monday 10 June 2024</li> <li>Time: 17:30hrs</li> <li>Location: Acacia Room, Quaycentre</li> </ul> It is mandatory for all participating Member Associations (represented by designated Team Manager) to attend the Team Managers' Meeting. Member Associations will be penalised for failing to attend, in accordance with the BWF Table of Offences and Penalties (BWF Statute 2.5). Member Associations are allowed to request representation by another Member Association, provided that the Tournament Referee is notified in advance and approves.
Presentation Ceremonies	<ul> <li>All prize ceremonies will take place on Sunday, 16 June 2024, immediately after the conclusion of each final. Medals/trophies/other will be presented to all champions and finalists.</li> <li>In accordance with Player Commitment Regulations (BWF Statute 5.3.6), all players participating in the finals of a tournament must attend the final ceremonies immediately after the match and must follow the instructions given by the organisers regarding ceremony protocol.</li> <li>No equipment, including rackets and flags, are allowed to be brought onto the podium. Clothing worn during the ceremony must be in accordance with the BWF GCR.</li> </ul>

















#### Accreditation

Access to Tournament venues and other services is provided through personalised and photographic accreditation passes. Please complete and return the accreditation form with photographs as per attached.

The number of complimentary accreditation passes available for Team Officials is dependent on the number of competing players from the same Member Association:

Number of Member Association Players	Number of Team Officials Accreditations
Three or less	1
Four to Seven	2
Eight to 15	3
16 or more	4

A limited number of additional accreditation passes for approved Team Officials will be available for purchase at a fee of **US\$200 by Cash or Credit Card**, charged to the respective Member Association, and payable at the tournament.

The fee to replace any lost or damaged accreditation passes will be **USD \$100** on each occasion, charged to the respective Member Association.

The tournament reserves the right to refuse entry into any accredited venue or area or service (e.g. transportation) as a result of damaged or missing accreditation. The fraudulent use of accreditation is strictly prohibited, and will result in access rights being removed, and penalties being applied.

Medical Services A medical officer and physiotherapist service will be available during the tournament, free of charge to players.

Anti-Doping 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 body. 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 on The Prevention of The Manipulation of Competitions) 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, shall 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 a match(s).
	For more information, please refer to BWF's website: <u>https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-match-fixing-overview/</u>
Compliance with General Competition Regulations Clause 7.9	GCR 7.9: <i>"In making or authorising entries, the Member concerned is reconfirming its acceptance, and acceptance by the Players being entered, of the BWF's regulations and Disciplinary processes."</i>

















## 4. Travel & Visa Details

Transport	Complimentary transportation will be provided by the tournament host between airport arrivals/departures and the official hotels. Due to the close proximity, it is expected that players will walk between official hotels and the competition and practice venues.
	Airport arrivals pick-up will be available starting from <b>Saturday 08th June 2024</b> at Sydney International or Sydney Domestic Airports for participants staying at the official hotels only. To request arrival pick-ups, please complete and return the Transportation Request Form attached. Please be mindful to inform the organiser should there be changes to the original transport request submitted.
	Transport departures to airport will only be from the official hotels and participants are strongly advised to confirm with tournament reception their scheduled departure times. Last day for complimentary airport transport departure is <b>Monday 17 June 2024</b> .
Visas	If a visa is required to enter Australia, we can provide a letter of invitation to assist with your application.
	Please complete and return the Visa Support Request Form attached as soon as possible in any case no later than 14th May 2024.
	The tournament host and hosting Member Association will only communicate with a Member Association, and the hosting Member Association will only provide a visa support letter if the form is completed accurately and comprehensively, and supporting documentation is provided, where requested.
	The tournament host and hosting Member Association accepts no responsibility for withdrawals made due to late or refused visa applications.
	It is the responsibility of the Member Association to apply for the necessary visas in sufficient time, and all matters should be directed to the Embassy in charge.
	Any visa support letter issued by the tournament host does not guarantee entry into Australia; the final decision is made by the Government of Australia.

















COVID-19 Protocols	<ul> <li>Australia borders are open to all international travellers. Please note the following:</li> <li>You do not need to provide proof of COVID-19 vaccination to travel to and from Australia.</li> <li>You do not need to provide proof of a negative COVID-19 test to meet Australian inbound travel requirements.</li> </ul>
	Some countries airlines and vessel operators may require a pre-departure test result at check-in before you can board your flight or ship. Please check the entry requirements of the country your are travelling or transiting through, and your airline or vessel operator requirements.

## **5. Accommodation Details**

Accommodation	Official Hotel	Rooms Available	Rates (per room per night)	Remarks	
	IBIS Sydney Olympic Park	Standard Queen Standard Twin	AUD \$209.00 AUD \$209.00	Breakfast is additional @AUD \$30.00 per person per day	
	NOVOTEL Sydney Olympic Park	Superior King Superior Twin	AUD \$269.00 AUD \$269.00	Breakfast is additional @AUD \$30.00 per person per day	
	All accommodation should be booked directly with the Hotels. Booking Email: H2732-sl@accor.com Email Subject: Sathio Group Australian Open 2024 - <country> - <preferred hotel=""> Telephone: +612 8762 1111</preferred></country>				
Please note there are various events occurring at other parts of the Sydney Olymp the same time as the Australian Open so please book as early as possible to av occupancy.					
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## 6. Media Details

Player Media Obligations	It is a condition of entry into BWF sanctioned tournaments that each player, if requested by the BWF, host organiser, or other tournament official, is required to undertake a range of media activities. Please refer to the BWF Player Commitment Regulations for more information (BWF Statute 5.3.6). Member Associations should be prepared to facilitate the attendance of their player(s), if requested.				
Media Accreditation	Media wishing to attend this tournament must complete and submit the Media Accreditation Request Form attached.				
TV Broadcast Schedule	Date	Number of matches	Time		
	Thursday, 13 June 2024	8	12:00 - 21:00		
	Friday, 14 June 2024	8	12:00 - 21:00		
	Saturday, 15 June 2024	8	12:00 - 21:00		
	Sunday, 16 June 2024	5	13:00 - 19:00		
Video Recording and Photography	Flash photography is not permitted within the competition venue at any time, and the tournament reserves the right to remove any items of equipment breaching this policy. Video recording within the competition venue is only permitted by accredited players and team officials of participating Member Associations, from clearly defined positions using video accreditation passes. There is a limited number of these positions and passes available, and prior authorisation must be obtained in advance from the tournament secretary. Accreditation must be clearly displayed on the cameras. The tournament reserves the right to remove any non-accredited items of equipment. Video footage captured must be used solely for training purposes by the Member Association and its coaching staff. Member Associations may be liable to any costs incurred by BWF if video footage is used for any other purpose. More details on obtaining the video passes will be provided at the Teams managers' meeting.				











