## Prospectus

## 2024 DURABIRD MASSBAD TEAM TOURNAMENT

March 16-17, 2024
Boston Badminton Club

## Fees:

- $\quad \$ 450$ per team in divisions C, D and D seniors (45+ yrs. old)

Registration and payment must be made through TournamentSoftware.
Payment has to be received before your team is added to the event.

## Prizes:

Perpetual trophies and medals for the top 3 places of each Division.
(ADDITIONAL PRIZE DETAILS TO BE ANNOUNCED LATER)

## Eligibility:

This tournament is open to anyone who

- currently resides or works in MA or adjacent state (RI, CT, NH), or
- is affiliated with a MA badminton club

AND

- holds a current 2024 MassBad membership.

For membership, go to https://www.massbadminton.org/membership
Cost: Juniors (18 or under): \$3 Adults: \$5

## Schedule of Events:

- Division C: March 16th
- Division D and D seniors (45+ yrs. old): March 17th


## Play Structure:

Minimum of two seeds per division, round robin pool play followed by playoffs. All teams will be guaranteed a minimum of 3 team matches.

## Rules:

1. Each Team Meet consists of $1 \mathrm{MS}, 3 \mathrm{MD}, 2 \mathrm{XD}$ and 1 WD matches. Order of strength for 3 MD and 2 XD matches shall be: MD\#1, MD\#2, MD\#3, and XD\#1, XD\#2. Relative strength of doubles pairs is determined by the pairs' total national ranking.
2. Each player can play up to two matches per Team Meet with no same pair playing twice. Thus, a minimum of five men and two women are needed for a team to play all seven matches of each tie. A team of seven men and three women is recommended; however, there is no limit on the number of players.
3. Players may join only 1 team. Players and teams may only play one Division.
4. Captains must submit players' rank to the tournament organizers. Subsequently, draws, schedule of matches, and player lists (ranked) will be posted. Then, captains should submit the lineup for their first Team Meet. Please refer to the timeline below for deadlines.
5. Format: Best of 3 games, BWF rules, rally score system, 10 min default time if needed, no more than 3 min warm up.
6. The team that beats the most teams will progress to the playoffs. If two teams have the same record, their relative positions will be decided by the result between those two teams. If three teams have the same record, positions will be determined by the difference between total matches won and total matches lost, with the greater difference ranked higher.
7. Before the playoff, all matches should be played regardless of whether or not a winning team has been determined.

Timeline:

| Entry deadline (registration, payment, proof of enrollment, waiver) | Mar 1 |
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| Last day for changes in team roster/ranking | Mar 3 |
| Publishing of team roster with rankings in Tournament Software | Mar 4 |
| Objections to team roster rankings must be lodged | Mar 8 |
| Deadline to withdraw with Full refund | Mar 9 |
| Publishing of draws and schedule in Tournament Software | Mar 10 |
| Submit first "Team Match Line Up" | Mar 13 |

## Determination of team level/division:

To prevent "sand-bagging", only the rating of the top 5 men and 3 women will be considered in determining a team's overall level/division. Participants will self-rate using the "Player Rating Guidelines" appendix. The Tournament Directors and Organizing Committee will review individual ratings to determine accuracy.

Sincerely,

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