

# MASSBAD COLEMAN CUP\*

## REGIONAL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

FEB 25-26, 2023

BOSTON BADMINTON CLUB, WESTBOROUGH, MA

### I. Events

The tournament will have two Divisions: Division A and Division B. Each team shall indicate the division in which they wish to compete. A maximum of 12 teams will be accepted in Division B on a first come, first serve basis. Tournament Directors, in consultation with the tournament committee, may move a team to a different Division. **Prize money** \$15000. **Yonex AS 50** shuttles will be used.

### II. Format

Format for each division shall be determined depending on the number of participating teams. Each team will be **guaranteed three encounters (ties) with another team**. Each tie will consist of a total of nine matches per tie:

- two Men's Singles (MS1, MS2);
- one Women's Singles (WS1);
- three Men's Doubles (MD1, MD2, MD3);
- one Women's Doubles (WD1);
- two Mixed Doubles (XD1, XD2)

Each match will be the best of three 21- point games using rally-point scoring. All nine matches in a tie will be played during the round robin phase. Ranking of Teams will follow BWF General Competition Regulations (Part III-Section 1A Section 16.3). This is based on no. of ties won, then difference between total ties won and total ties lost among three teams, then difference between total matches won and total matches lost and then difference between total games won and total games lost if records are the same. If at a stage two teams are equal, the winner of the tie between them will be ranked higher. If three or more teams are still equal after considering ties, matches and games, then ranking will be established by drawing lots.

**A player may play no more than two matches per tie; each MS and each doubles pair must be different.** Thus, a minimum number of five men and three women are needed for a team to play all nine matches of each tie. A team of seven men and four women is recommended; however, there is no limit on the number of players.

\* Event named in honor of Frederick Coleman, former Chairman of the USAB Board of Directors and of its Junior Advisory Group. For over 10 years through 2016, he presided over the biggest growth period of badminton in the US which he personally fostered by working closely with all Regions.

### III. Timeline

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| Entry deadline (registration, payment, proof of enrollment, waiver) | 5 Feb  |
| Last day for changes in team roster/ranking                         | 10 Feb |
| Publishing of team roster with rankings in Tournament Software      | 12 Feb |
| Publishing of draws and schedule in Tournament Software             | 14 Feb |
| Objections to team roster rankings must be lodged                   | 22 Feb |
| Submit first "Team Match Line Up"                                   | 22 Feb |

### IV. Eligibility

All players must have been residents of the Northeast Region for at least 3 months immediately prior to the tournament. Each team is allowed **one invited former Region player** who no longer lives in the Northeast, but did so previously for at least 3 consecutive months in the last 2 years. Players should be prepared to provide proof of residency for inclusion on a team.

**Teams based in the same Club are highly encouraged** as one goal of this tournament is to foster camaraderie among local players and across the Region. Teams based solely on country of origin (e.g. England, Indonesia, India, China, Thailand, Denmark, ...) will not be allowed.

### V. Tentative Schedule of Events

Saturday, Feb 25: Division B starts at 8:30 am; Division A starts after 1 pm.

Sunday, Feb 26: Tournament play starts at 8:30 am and ends at 5 pm for both Divisions.

### VI. Procedures

#### **Registration link forthcoming.**

Each team must submit ranking of all players on roster, listed in order of strength (with strongest player ranked as #1) by Feb 10 for review by Tournament Directors and Team Captains. **Failure to comply may result in elimination from the tournament.** Objections to rankings as submitted must be lodged by Feb 22.

First day's initial tie lineup due Feb 22. For subsequent ties, captains must complete a Match Record Sheet with the team's lineup for each match in the tie **1 hr prior** to the start of said tie. Team lineups may differ for each tie. Of two men selected to play Men's Singles matches, the stronger player (i.e. lower number on ranked roster) must play 1st MS and weaker player (ie higher number) must play 2nd MS. Ranking order also applies to Men's Doubles, Women's Doubles, and Mixed Doubles; rankings for doubles pairs are determined by a Notional Ranking, calculated by adding roster rankings of 2 players in the pair. Lower Notional Ranking Totals indicate stronger pairs. If two doubles pairs selected in the lineup have the same Notional Ranking, then Team Captain may place them in either order on the Match Record Sheet; this

