

Prospectus

2023 MASSBAD TEAM TOURNAMENT

February 18-19, 2023

Boston Badminton Club

Fees:

- \$450 per team in divisions C & D

Registration link forthcoming.

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 2023 MassBad membership.

For membership, go to <https://www.massbad.org/web/membership>

Cost: Juniors (18 or under): \$3 Adults: \$5

Schedule of Events:

- Division C: February 18th
- Division D: February 19th

Play Structure:

Minimum of two seeds per division (or 4 seeds if more than 6 teams), 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 MS, 3 MD, 2 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.
3. Players may join only 1 team and 1 level.
4. Captains must submit players' rank to the tournament coordinator one week before the tournament date. Subsequently, draws, schedule of matches and player lists (ranked) will be posted. Captains should submit the lineup for their first Team Meet two days prior to the tournament date.
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)	29 Jan
Last day for changes in team roster/ranking	3 Feb
Publishing of team roster with rankings in Tournament Software	5 Feb
Publishing of draws and schedule in Tournament Software	7 Feb
Objections to team roster rankings must be lodged	15 Feb
Submit first "Team Match Line Up"	15 Feb

Determination of team 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. The average numeric rating will be used to determine the lowest level in which a team is allowed to compete.

Team levels:

Division C - 2.1 to 2.7

Division D - 2.0 or below

For example: Team Sample has 1 A player (4.0), 3 B players (3.0), 4 C players (1.0). Their numeric rating will be $(4 + 3*3 + 4*2)/8$. So their team rating would be 2.6. Therefore they should enter Division C. For more detailed explanations, please see the "Player Rating Guidelines" appendix at the end of this document.

Appendix

PLAYER RATING GUIDELINES:

OPEN-COMPETITIVE PLAYERS (5.0)

- Have competed nationally in the past 5 years or internationally in the past 10 years.
- Reached quarterfinals at Boston Open or other USAB ranking tournament in the past 5 years.
- Were finalists in an 'A' event in regional Open tournaments* in the past 5 years.
- Had extensive badminton training.
- Have current USAB ranking either as junior or adult or is a professional coach.

Open players who have stopped competing for more than 5 years and/or players above age 40 may be considered for 'A' rating.

A-ADVANCED PLAYERS (4.0)

- Experienced tournament players.
- Have formal badminton training.
- Have won a 'B' tournament.
- Have played in the Open/A bracket in Boston Open, other national ranking tournament, or other regional Open tournaments*.
- Have played MassBad 'A' team or CNASA 'A' team in the past 3 years.
- Have won local Senior tournaments in the past 3 years.
- Generally regarded as the "good" players in the club.
- Have previously held national ranking in juniors or adults category.

'A' players aged 45+ may be considered for 'B' if they have not gone beyond round 2 in local 'A' tournaments or won a senior event in Boston Open, CT Open, DC Open...

B-INTERMEDIATE PLAYERS (3.0)

- 10+ years playing.
- Have some tournament experience participating in local tournaments.
- Have won a 'C' tournament in the past.
- Played MassBad 'B' team in the past 2 years.
- May have had some formal badminton training in the past, or are currently training with a local pro.
- Play regularly 2 or more times weekly.
- Are juniors who have trained competitively for more than 2 years.
- Are past or current Collegiate players.

'B' players age 65+ maybe considered for 'C' if they have not been actively playing 'B' level tournaments, winning the first 2 rounds in the past 4 years.

C-ADVANCED BEGINNER PLAYERS (2.0)

- Have limited tournament experience. (No more than 6 tournaments in the past 5 years).
- No formal/advanced badminton training.
- Play 1 or 2 times weekly.
- Have played badminton for more than 3 years.
- Juniors: 14 years & under with less than 2 years training; 16 years & under with less than 1 year training. (No advanced juniors)

D-BEGINNER/RECREATIONAL PLAYERS (1.0)

- Started playing badminton in the past 3 years.
- Have played no more than 4 prior tournaments.
- Have never won any tournament.
- Have no formal/advanced or regular training in badminton.
- Play once a week or less.
- Juniors: 12 years & under juniors; 16 years & under juniors with less than 1 year of junior training/ (No advanced juniors)

* Regional Open tournaments include: Boston Open, CT Open, DC Open, NY Open (Downey Cup), Coleman Cup

Any players wishing to challenge themselves can play at a higher level.

For questions on the rating assigned, please reach out to MassBadTT@gmail.com for review.

For inquiries: please send all questions to MassBadTT@gmail.com

Get involved! We welcome volunteers to join the tournament organization. Please [fill out this form](#) if you'd like to join our volunteering team.

Sincerely,

2023 MASSBAD TEAM TOURNAMENT

Elsa and Sandeep, Tournament Directors

Massbadtt@gmail.com