



# BADMINTON *Cheat Sheet*

## ROSTERS

- **Co-ed:** A full team consists of 2 players, with a minimum of 1 female
- **Open:** A full team consists of 2 players, with no female minimum
- The minimum number of players required to avoid a default is: *1 player*

## GAME PLAY

- Teams will play two matches per night against different opponents
- Each match is a best-of-three games format
- Games use a rally-point scoring system
  - The first two games are played to 21 points; but teams must win by two points (to a capped limit of 25)
  - The third game is played to 15 points; but teams must win by two points (to a capped limit of 17)
- 5 combined points must be played in any game in order for the score to count
- **Regular Season:** Ties are allowed (each team wins one game)
- **Playoffs:** Ties are not allowed
  - Tiebreaker #1: Combined point differential in the first two games
  - Tiebreaker #2: One additional point or rally must be played to determine a winner
- If a team's score is even they will serve from the right court; if a team's score is odd they will serve from the left
- All serves must land in the serving box that is diagonal from the server
- All serves must be underhand
- There is no maximum to the number of consecutive points a server can score

## PENALTIES AND VIOLATIONS

- Players are to call their own faults
- Common faults include:
  - If the shuttle hits the net and lands before the serving square
  - If the server misses or drops the shuttle
  - If the shuttle is hit by the receiver's partner
  - If the shuttle is caught and held on the racquet and then slung during the execution of a stroke
  - Crossing the plane of the net with a body part, paddle or clothing (exception is the follow-through of a racquet where contact is made on the returning player's side of the net)