



**ALL AFRICA SCHOOL
CHAMPIONSHIPS**
SOUTH AFRICA 2026

CAPE TOWN
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**BADMINTON
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AFRICA**



Local Organisers	Badminton South Africa Email: info@badmintonsa.co.za LOC President: Mike Noone Email: admin@badmintonsa.co.za Mobile: +27 833 070 595
Events	1. School Team Championships – 04 to 06 December 2026 <i>The Team event will be based on a new Thomas & Uber Cup format (2 Singles and 1 Doubles for each Men's Team and Women's Team). Teams must be composed of a minimum of 2 girls for the girls' competition and 2 boys for the boys' competition. It is advisable to have one more boy and one more girl as spare players in case of sickness or injuries.</i> 2. Individual Championships – 08 to 09 December 2026 <i>The Individual event will be composed of 5 events: BS, GS, BD, GD & XD. For the XD event, players of different schools can be paired together.</i>
Referee	Referee: TBC Email: TBC Deputy Referee: TBC Email: TBC
Venue	John Tyers Hall, Access Park, Kenilworth – Cape Town (4 Courts) Practice sessions can be arranged upon request and will be subject to court availability.
Shuttlecock	TBC.
Team Managers Meeting and Draw	The Team Managers Meeting will be held on Thursday 03rd December 2026 @ 16:30hrs in the meeting room of the official hotel or the venue. The <u>DRAW</u> of the Team Event Competition will be held during the Team Managers Meeting. <i>(All times are subject to change, please contact the organisers for more details)</i>
Seeding	The seeding of the Team Event will be based on the results of the last edition of the African School Games 2025, Algeria and other preceding editions All Africa School Championships. The seeding of the Individual Event will be based on the results of the Team Event and at the Referee's discretion.

Entries	To enter in the tournament, Member Associations are required to fill in the attached ENTRY FORM and insert details of all players and officials as per the instructions and submit no later than Tuesday 03rd November 2026. Member Associations must send their intent of participation by: Tuesday 20th October 2026. All entries must be confirmed by the Member Association. BCA will refuse entries if players are on the current BWF barred list or if the Member Association are on the barred/suspended list. No late entries will be accepted.
Eligibility	Together with the official ENTRY FORM, each participating school must provide an official letter from their school administration confirming that all players entered are bona-fide students at the same school and have been for at least a school calendar year including 2026. Players should be aged 19 years old or less throughout 2026 (born 2007 or later). Team Managers will be requested to submit the passports of their players to the Referee/BCA team before the start of the Championships. In case of no passports (local players), please bring a birth certificate accompanied by student ID (including photo and biodata). NO Student Card will be accepted without a birth certificate. Each Member Association can enter boys' school teams and girls' school teams or mixed school teams. Teams with less than 2 boys or 2 girls will play in the Individual events only. However, the Referee may allow an incomplete team to play but only on a participatory basis, that is the results will not count and no medals will be awarded.
Regulations for Team Event	BWF General Competition Regulations will apply to the Championships. Each tie will be composed of 3 matches: two singles and 1 doubles. Teams winning two matches in any tie will be declared as the winner. A player is not allowed to play more than 2 matches (one single and one double) per tie. In group stage (if applicable), all 3 matches will be played. Depending on the number of players entered in your team, BCA will give a maximum of 4 medals per winning team including gold, silver and bronze medallists. The order of play for each match will be decided by the Referee and his/her decision shall be final.

**Regulations for
Individual Event**

Individual Event Entries – Based on Country		
Event	Host Country	Other Countries
Boys' Singles	4 Players	3 Players
Girls' Singles	4 Players	3 Players
Boys' Doubles	2 Pairs	1 Pair
Girls' Doubles	2 Pairs	1 Pair
Mixed Doubles	3 Pairs	2 Pairs

Tournament Schedule

Tuesday 01 December	Arrival Date for all Teams	
Day / Date	Time	Play
Wednesday-Thursday 02-03 December	Whole Day	BCA Shuttle Time 360 Training Camp
Thursday 03 December	Evening	Team Manager's Meeting
Friday 04 December	Whole Day	Team Event
Saturday 05 December	Whole Day	Team Event
Sunday 06 December	Morning	Team Event – Semi Finals
	Afternoon	Team Event - Finals
Monday 07 December	BCA Shuttle Time 360 Forum	
Tuesday 08 December	Whole Day	Individual Event
Wednesday 09 December	Morning	Individual Event – Semi Finals
	Afternoon	Individual Event – Finals

(All times are subject to change; detailed schedule will be published after the draw)

BCA Shuttle Time 360 Africa Schools Forum	As part of the 2026 All Africa School Championships, BCA will organise the Africa Schools Forum in Cape Town, bringing together teachers, Shuttle Time Coordinators, school-sport representatives and other education stakeholders to discuss how badminton can contribute to the holistic development of African children and how the sport can be further developed and sustained within schools across the continent. The Forum will explore how badminton can help children grow, learn and move better by supporting physical literacy, healthy lifestyles, confidence, teamwork, discipline, social interaction and personal development. It will also focus on practical school badminton delivery, teacher engagement, sharing of experiences and the development of concrete projects that can strengthen the Shuttle Time pathway from schools to national and continental activities. Registration: Participation in the Forum will be through an online registration form accessible by QR Code included in the prospectus. Member Associations are encouraged to share the QR Code with suitable teachers, school representatives and other relevant school-sport stakeholders wishing to attend.
Airport	Cape Town International Airport Airport Code: <i>CPT</i>
Visa	<u>For countries with South African Embassy</u> Application must be made to the South African Embassy in your country or a neighbouring country. Support letter will be provided upon request from your association (please fill and submit the supplied Visa Application Form no later than Friday 30th October 2026) to office@badminton.co.za. <u>List of visa exempt countries:</u> https://www.dha.gov.za/index.php/immigration-services/exempt-countries. Other countries can apply here: https://ehome.dha.gov.za/epermit/home.
Transportation	Transportation to and from the venue will be provided free of charge to Participants and Officials for the official hotel only. Neighbourgood Newlands is about 25 minutes' drive from the airport and about 15 minute's drive from the venue. Complete the Airport Transfer form attached to the prospectus at latest Friday 06th November 2026.
Accreditation	Complete the Accreditation form attached to the prospectus at latest Friday 20th November 2026. Please include a passport size photo of each person in your delegation to the organisers and BCA.

Accommodation	<u>Neighbourgood Newlands (3 Stars)</u> Price (Full board – Breakfast, lunch and dinner) • Single Room: USD 140 / Person / Night • Double Room: USD 85 / Person / Night Reservations have to be made with the Organisers. Check in/out at the hotel is at 12h00. Payments to be made directly to the organisers immediately upon arrival. <i>Beneficiary Name: Badminton South Africa Association</i> <i>Bank Name: First National Bank</i> <i>Account: 51041027503</i> <i>Swift Code: FIRNZAJJ</i> Complete the Accommodation Form attached to the prospectus at latest Friday 06th November 2026.
Temperature	In December, the temperature varies between 24°C (day) and 15°C (night).
Medical Services	The organisers will provide medical personnel at all times in the hall for the duration of the tournament.
Insurance	All delegations must arrange their own insurance for accident, health, travel and property lost, including Covid-19 related costs. BCA and the host will not take any responsibility, whatsoever be the case.
Doping Control	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 medications, they could 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/
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