

NEWTON PARKS & RECREATION BADMINTON TOURNAMENT



Saturday March 15th and Sunday March 16th, 2025
At Newton South High School - 140 Brandeis Rd, Newton, MA 02459
10:00 am start time

This tournament is hosted by Newton Parks & Recreation and promotes a love for the sport of badminton. **Sportsmanship** is paramount and participants or spectators acting in an unsportsmanlike way will be asked to leave.

This tournament is for B & C level players, beginner and intermediate level youth, and beginner adults. A level players are not allowed. Participants **MUST** register for the appropriate division. Please see page 2 for description of levels and additional tournament information. Players that register for an incorrect division will be moved to the appropriate division if space is available, or will have their entries cancelled.

Because of time constraints, we limit the number of divisions that a person can register for. B & C level players may sign up for 1 single and 1 double division on Saturday and 1 mixed double division on Sunday. Youth ages 14 and older (born 2011 or earlier) may play in the Open or Youth Division, but not both. Youth may play in one single and one double division. Adult beginners may only play in the adult beginner division.

Registration Information Register online at www.newtonmarec.com Registration closes February 28th or when a division fills. \$30.00 per person for open divisions and \$25.00 per person for youth divisions. Trophies and prizes for division winners.

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Saturday Divisions:	Sunday Divisions:
<p><u>Single Elimination Games</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B Men's Single • C Men's Single • B Men's Double • C Men's Double <p>(Women's divisions may run as round robin depending on number of entries)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B Women's Single • C Women's Single • B Women's Double • C Women's Double <p><u>Round Robin Style Games</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Over 50 Single • Over 50 Double • Adult Double Beginner 	<p><u>Single Elimination</u></p> <p>(may run as round robin depending on entries)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B Mixed Double • C Mixed Double • B & C Mixed Double (one B level and one C level player) <p><u>Round Robin Style Games</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth Single 9 & Under (born 2016 and later) • Youth Single Boys 10 – 13 (born 2012 – 2015) • Youth Single Girls 10 - 13 (born 2012 – 2015) • Youth Single 14 – 17 (born 2008 – 2011) • Youth Single Intermediate Boys • Youth Single Intermediate Girls • Youth Double Beginner (teams with 1 beginner and 1 intermediate player must play in the intermediate division). • Youth Double Intermediate

Tournament Rules and Information

Game Play:

This year's tournament will have single elimination and round robin games. Single elimination games will play best of 3 games to 21 points. Players losing their 1st game in the single elimination bracket will move to the consolation bracket, where games will be 1 game to 31 points.

Round robin games will play 1 game to 31 points and play each player/team in their bracket. Round Robin players/teams will be split into brackets in their division (if entries warrant) and the top two teams from each bracket will play for the championships continuing with 1 game to 31 points. If only one bracket is used in a division, the player/team with the most winning record will be the champion.

Brackets and draws will be posted at the tournament and start times for divisions will be listed, but we don't list specific game times to allow for moving the tournament forward at a quicker pace. A game board will show what games are playing, up next and on deck.

Division Descriptions:

Please register for the appropriate division based on your skill level and previous tournament experience. If tournament officials deem your level is too high for the division you are registered for, you will be moved to a higher division or your entry will be cancelled.

- If you are an A level player, or have the skills that would allow you to compete in A level competitions as a singles or doubles competitor, you can not compete in our tournament.
- B level singles players are not allowed to play in C level divisions (with the exception of the B/C mixed doubles).
- It is ok for a lower level player to play "up" in a division, but higher level players can not play down a level. For example, in doubles, if there is one B and one C level player, your team would have to play in the B doubles division (with the exception of the B/C mixed doubles which is meant for this situation). Please choose your partners accordingly.

Beginner level players are in their first or second year of playing badminton, have attended fewer than 3 tournaments, or do not attend a lesson or training program regularly throughout the year.

Intermediate level players are more advanced than peers in their age group, have several years of consistent experience, have attended several competitions or are ranked, are ready for more of a challenge, or won our tournament in the same age group in a previous year.

Youth divisions are for players ages 17 and under (age determined by calendar year) and are meant for beginner and intermediate level players. Youth that are 14 or older and are more advanced can participate in the B or C level divisions. Youth younger than 14 that are more advanced unfortunately can not participate in our tournament.

Substitutions:

Any substitution for doubles partners must be of the same level and approved before the start of the tournament. Any player who becomes unable to continue to play after the tournament has started will have to forfeit any remaining matches with the win going to the scheduled opponent.

The Courts:

Badminton courts are on a hardwood basketball court and lined with green tape. Courts are located in the Main Gym (6 courts), and in Gym B (3 courts) which is down the hall from the main gym. Practice courts are set up in the main gym on a rubberized surface to allow players to warm up.

Additional information will be emailed to registered participants before the tournament.