



Sports Association for Adelaide Schools (SAAS) - Open A / Middle A Badminton Competition

Match Format and Rules (2023)

Match Format

- A team's match will comprise 6 singles matches, and 3 doubles matches (9 matches in Total)
- The minimum number of players required to play without forfeits is 6 players.
- There is no maximum number of players.
- There will be one round of singles matches in which the players ranked 1-6 play against each other.
- There will be one rounds of doubles matches.
- In the round of doubles, the schools field their best 3 doubles combinations ranked in order of ability.
- A player can play no more than 2 matches, one singles match and one doubles matches.

Individual Match Format

- All matches will be the best of 3 sets to 21 points, with setting to 30.
- A 60 second interval can be taken when a player first reaches 11 points in each set and a 2-minute interval is allowed at the end of each set.
- Players must change ends when a player first reaches 11 points in the third set.

Team Rankings

- A team's singles and doubles rankings should be in order of ability.
- A team's doubles rankings should also be in order of ability but does not have to reflect the team's singles rankings.
- Teams must be exchanged on paper at the start of the match by the coaches of each team.

Forfeits

- If a team has less than 6 players, all matches in which a team cannot field the required number of players, may be played, but will be forfeited.
- If a player becomes injured during a match, only that particular match should be forfeited. If this occurs, a reserve player can directly replace the injured player in all remaining matches without forfeit.
- A player can play no more than 2 matches, one singles match and one doubles matches.

Order of Play

- Singles will be played first in ascending order (1-6).
- Doubles matches will be played in an order deemed suitable by the coaches/managers.
- Players are entitled to 10 minutes rest between matches if they require it.
- Changes to the order of matches is permitted in the event of fatigue or injury but must be agreed upon by both teams.

Results

- The winning team will be the team with the highest number of matches won (e.g. 9-0, 7-2, 5-4 etc.).
- The Team that has won the most matches (6 Singles and 3 Doubles) wins the game = 9 matches in total
- All results are to be submitted to SAAS.
- Open A1 results and game stats (Players and results) need to be submitted to SAAS via the google doc.
- The number one player with the most match wins, or in the case of a tie, the most sets will be deeded the SAAS Player of the Year.