



2014 SOUTH AFRICA INTERNATIONAL

06-Oct-14

On behalf of Badminton South Africa (BSA) we have the pleasure to invite you to send players to participate in the **2014 South Africa International's** (BWF sanctioned **International Series** event with **US\$10,000** prize money) which will be held in the South African city of Pretoria **Thursday 04th to Sunday 07th December 2014**. The tournament will be played in the following events: Men's Singles, Women's Singles, Men's Doubles, Women's Doubles and Mixed Doubles.

Venue: The tournament will be held at the Indoor sports hall of Pretoria Show Ground where there are 9 courts. In December the temperature in Pretoria varies between **25 to 28°C** during the day and at night it's around **22°C**.

Visa: For those who need entry visa, they must apply to the South African embassy in their country or nearby countries, BSA will issue letter to support your visa application. **Note: In South Africa it is impossible to arrange visa on arrival.**

Accommodation: Players and officials will be accommodated twin sharing at the **20147 Murray Street Guest House, Brooklyn in Pretoria**, half board basis (bed, breakfast and dinner) (approx. **US\$ 50/-**) per person per day and single room half board (approx. **US\$ 80**). For lunch, light snacks will be available at the hall at the cost of (approx. **US\$ 5/-**). The Guest House has been regularly used for Badminton events. Booking and payment must be made by **21-Nov-14** and paid to Badminton South Africa, First National bank Account: 510 410 27503, swift: FIRNZAJJ, BC: 261550.

Local transportation: Will be provided free of charge. (Airport transfers and hotel to badminton hall). The airport is Johannesburg International Airport, the airport code is JNB it is 45 Km drive to the hotels. This hotel is 2 Km from the badminton hall. All Airport transfers must be communicated and confirmed not later than 21-Nov-14. Transport is applicable only to and from the official hotel. Flight details must be received at latest by 21-Nov-14 to guarantee pickup.

Accommodation booking and arrival information must be directed to **Mr Herman Nagel, Email: badminton@web.co.za** **Entry Fee: 50 USD per event** must be paid into Badminton South Africa Account: First National bank, Account No: 510 4102 7503, swift: FIRNZAJJ, Branch Code: 261 550.

Referee and Deputy Referee: The Referee will be Mrs Gretha Prinsloo BWF Accredited Referee, Email: maluti@worldonline.co.za and Deputy Referee Mr Johan De Klerk, BCA Certificated Referee.

KEY DATES

Closing date of entries	Tuesday 11-Nov-14
Main and Qualifying Report World Ranking date	Thursday 13-Nov-14
Main and Qualifying Report publish on BWF webpage	Friday 14-Nov-14
Seeding Report World Ranking date	Thursday 20-Nov-14
Seeding Report publish on BCA webpage	Friday 21-Nov-14
Last day of withdrawal without penalty	Sunday 23-Nov-14
DRAW	Tuesday 25-Nov-14

Conditions: The tournament will be played in full accordance with the General Competition Regulations of the BWF and the instructions for Badminton Confederation of Africa. The tournament will be played on a knock-out system. Competitors must be prepared to play at the times determined for the events for which they have entered. Competitors will be scratched if not ready to play when called. Players shall not plan their departure less than four (4) hours after their last match is planned to conclude. Such a player/pair shall lose all the ranking points gained and Badminton Confederation of Africa shall propose to BWF that the gained BWF ranking points are removed.

Insurance: **MAs are reminded that they must take appropriate travel, medical and accident insurance to cover their delegations, in case of any problem, the organisers will not take any responsibility.**

Team Managers Meeting: will be held on Thursday 04-Dec-14 @ 16h30 in the meeting room of the Badminton hall and the tournament will start at 17h00.

Tentative Order of play

Day	Date	Play
Thursday	04-Dec	Matches round 32
Friday	05-Dec	Matches round 32 (MS/WS/MD/WD/XD)
Saturday	06-Dec	Matches round 16 and QF (MS/WS/MD/WD/XD)
Sunday	07-Dec 09h00 14h30	All Semi-Finals (MS/WS/MD/WD/XD) All Finals (MS/WS/MD/WD/XD)

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

Shuttles: YONEX AS 50 or RSL tourney No 1.

Draw Sizes:

Event	Entries - Main Draw		No. of Entries - Qualifying draw
	Direct	Qualifiers	
Men's Singles	24	8	32
Women's Singles	28	4	16
Men's Doubles	28	4	16
Women's Doubles	12	4	16
Mixed Doubles	28	4	16

Entries: All entries must be made by using the **BWF Online Entry System**. Entries must be submitted no later than **Tuesday 11-Nov-14** at 23h59 BWF HQ time (GMT + 08.00). BCA is implementing the Online Entry System for this tournament and we seek your cooperation to ensure all entries are submitted before the closing date.

Member Associations are advised to log on to the 2014 South Africa International at <http://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/sport/tournament.aspx?id=E9D61003-7EE4-4C07-AFA7-F414039C92E1> and submit their entries online. No entry form is needed to submit by online entry system. You require a username and password to submit your entries online. This can be obtained from BWF, contact Mr Venugopal: v.mahalingam@bwfbadminton.org. All entries must be confirmed by the National Association. Organizers are allowed to refuse entries if players are on the current BWF banned list. **No late entries will be accepted.**

Players cannot be entered unless they already have a **BWF ID-number**. In case you wish to enter players who do not have a BWF ID-number, you can now generate **new BWF IDs for your players** via Tournament Software. If ever you need help to generate new BWF IDs, please contact BWF or BCA (for African countries) well in advance of the tournament, so that the players concerned can get a BWF ID-number before the closing date of the tournament. All entries must be confirmed by the National Association. Organizers are allowed to refuse entries if players are on the current BWF banned list.

Withdrawals: Withdrawal of players without penalty is **Sunday 23-Nov-14**. Players withdrawing after Sunday 23-Nov-14 or no-show will have to pay a fine of **US\$ 150**.

Clothing/advertising: advertising on clothing and color of clothing shall be regulated by BWF competition regulations. For circuit tournaments, the name on the back of the shirts is mandatory for the semi-/finals.

Insurance: MAs are reminded that they must take appropriate travel, medical and accident insurance to cover their delegations, in case of any problem the host will take any responsibility.

According to the rules there is no world ranking points for an International **with less than eight entries** in (MS, WS, MD, WD and XD). In such case, the tournament will be cancelled and the organizers **will not take any responsibility** for any arrangements that may have been already made.

For other info, contact Badminton South Africa, by phone +27 126 633 292, Email: badminton@web.co.za or BCA on +230 5253 3902, Email: gaya@orange.mu

Yours faithfully,



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Secretary General

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