



2024-25 IHSA Girls Badminton State Series Terms and Conditions

In accordance with Section 1.450 of the IHSA Constitution, the Board of Directors has approved the Terms and Conditions governing the 2024-25 IHSA Girls Badminton Tournament Series.

I. School Classification

- Competition in the IHSA Girls Badminton Tournament Series will be held for all member schools without classification.

II. DATES AND SITES

- A) Sectional meets** will be held on Thursday, May 8, 2025, at sixteen (16) sites.
- B) The State Final tournament** will be held at DeKalb High School on May 16-17, 2025. Mr. Peter Goff, Athletic Director, shall serve as the state final manager.

III. ON-LINE ENTRIES, WITHDRAWAL PROCEDURES, ELIGIBILITY, AFFIRMATIVE ACTION, AND ON-LINE LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

The policy for Original Entry Deadlines, Late Entries, and Late Withdrawals shall be the policies and procedures regarding entry for all IHSA-sponsored sport/activities included in the 2024-25 Entry Policies and Procedures.

A) On-Line Entries: All member schools must enter their school into the state series competition through the IHSA Schools Center on the IHSA Website at (www.ihsa.org). The deadline for entry is February 1, 2025. The 2024-25 Entry Policies and Procedures outlining the online entry procedures for all IHSA-sponsored tournaments can be found in the Schools Center on the IHSA website.

B) Late Entries: Any attempt to enter a sport or activity on-line after the established deadlines will be denied. Schools that wish to enter after the deadline will be considered late. To be considered for late entry, the Principal/Official Representative must contact the IHSA administrator in charge of that sport or activity. The penalty for late entry shall be a payment of \$100.00 for that sport/activity by the school.

C) List of Participants Penalty: In order for a school to complete the entry process for girls' state badminton series, they must enter their team or individual(s) and complete the *List of Participants* by the established deadline date. Schools who fail to complete both parts of the entry process will not be entered into the state series unless a late entry fee is paid.

D) Breach of Contract By-Law 6.041 (Withdrawal Procedure): To withdraw without penalty, the Athletic Director, or IHSA Representative, must notify the IHSA Office, in writing, of the school's withdrawal from the respective sport prior to the date the seeding meeting date and/or the date the *List of Participants* is due for that sport.

If a school withdraws after the seeding meeting date/*List of Participants* due date and/or does not show up for competition, the school will be charged a \$500 penalty. If applicable, the school may be charged for any additional financial loss sustained by the offended school(s) or the Association as a result of such breach.

E) Eligibility: All member schools in good standing may not enter more than two doubles teams and two singles players under the provisions of IHSA by-law 3.054. A player may not enter both the singles and doubles events.

F) Affirmative Action: Only girls shall be permitted to participate in this state series except as provided in the IHSA Affirmative Action Policy.

G) On-Line List of Participants: Each school must complete the *On-Line List of Participants* by **Monday, May 5, 2025**. If a school does not submit the *On-Line List of Participants* by the deadline, coaches and/or participants from the school are subject to sanctions which could include, but not be limited to, coaches or players being ruled ineligible to coach or compete in the state series.

The *List of Participants* will provide the overall records and complete match history of each singles player and each doubles team seeking consideration for sectional and state final seeding. Coaches whose player(s) are not requesting a consideration for a seeded position, for their team or individual entries, need to only complete the *List of Participants* indicating names of the players being entered into the tournament series.

The *List of Participants* is a school entry. Once the sectional seeds have been made in conjunction with the sectional draw, all positions are finalized and cannot be adjusted. There can be no substitutions or changes to the singles or doubles teams unless there is a case of injury, illness, or ineligibility as certified by the principal of the player's school. Refer to "VIII. Tournament Rules" for substitutions and *List of Participants* entry information.

IV. HOST FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

A) Host School and Tournament Expenses: Host school shall pay for all local expenses. In the Sectional tournament, the host school shall receive \$350.00. In addition, the school that hosts one of the four sectional complex seeding meetings will receive \$150.00. Sectional hosts shall receive 20% of net income. In the event of a negative balance, the sectional host school shall be reimbursed the entire deficit. However, if admission is not charged, the host shall forfeit the guarantee.

B) Contestant Expenses: Neither the State Association nor the local tournament management will assume responsibility for any kind of contestant expenses.

C) Digital Tickets: Per IHSA Board Policy 22, GoFan Digital Tickets will be the exclusive ticket option available for this sport at the Sectional and State Final levels of the State Series. Any exceptions must be approved by the IHSA office.

D) Admission: The following State Series ticket prices have been set by the IHSA Board of Directors. A baby in arms is free at all rounds of the State Series. Pricing for all other individuals is as follows:

SECTIONAL
Digital Ticket: \$8
Cash Ticket: \$9

STATE FINAL
Digital Ticket: \$12 per day
Cash Ticket: \$13 per day



E) **Rights Fees for TV and Radio:** See the IHSA web site (www.ihsa.org) for the fees to be charged by Local Managers and/or the IHSA for television and cable broadcasts and radio originations.

Individual entries should be seeded fairly based on the individual's caliber/experience. (For example, an individual entry could be seeded as a team with just 1 standout player

VTOURNAMENT ASSIGNMENTS AND SEEDING MEETINGS

A) **LIST OF PARTICIPANTS – Final Entry Process:** The *List of Participants* must be completed online no later than **Monday, May 5, 2025**, by 10 am to complete the school's entry. Coaches who do not complete the *List of Participants* shall not be entered into the state series. A late entry fee shall be charged to schools that have not completed the final entry process and wish to enter. Schools are subject to additional sanctions by the IHSA for a late entry which can include a coach being ruled ineligible to coach or compete in the state series.

On **Monday afternoon, May 5, 2025**, the IHSA will then make available to each sectional complex manager the final *List of Participants* through the IHSA School Center at 4:00 p.m. This shall be a school's final entry for the singles players or doubles teams. All coaches will be able to access the LOPs after the entry deadline, but prior to the seeding meeting via the IHSA School Center.

B) **Sectional Complex Seeding Meeting and Sectional Seeding Meeting:** The successive series shall be designated respectively as sectional and state final. Four (4) sectionals will be assigned to a sectional complex. Both the sectional complex seeding meeting and the subsequent sectional seeding meetings shall take place **Monday, May 5, 2025**, beginning at 5:30 p.m. at one of the sectional complex sites designated by the IHSA. Coaches should bring a hard copy of their *List of Participants* printed from the School Center, and their playing schedule to both meetings. The sectional complex seeding meeting will be held for the purpose of 1) determining the **Top 16** team (2 individual singles entries and 2 double teams) seeds, 2) randomly draw for the remaining team seeds, 3) designating the sectional host sites and 4) assigning teams to one of the four sectionals in the complex.

Immediately following the sectional complex seeding meeting schools will break into a sectional meeting. Each of the four sectionals hosts selected from in the sectional complex meeting will conduct a sectional seeding meeting. This meeting is required for all coaches for the purpose of seeding individuals' singles and doubles teams assigned to the sectional. Players seeking an individual singles or doubles seed must be listed on the LOP with a complete match history.

C) **State Final Seeding Requirements:** Any additional player seeding information a school wants to submit to the state tournament seeding committee for consideration must be submitted to Stacey Lambert in writing prior to Sunday, of the week of the meeting. Late information cannot be considered for seeding in the State Final draw. Refer to the School and Managers Manuals for seeding factors.

D) **Sectional Assignments:** Following the seeding of teams at the sectional complex meeting, schools will be assigned to a sectional based on each team's seeds. Each team will be placed in a sectional based on the following structure.

- Sectional A will be assigned these seeded teams: 1, 8, 9, 16, 17, 24, 25
- Sectional B will be assigned these seeded teams: 2, 7, 10, 15, 18, 23, 26
- Sectional C will be assigned these seeded teams: 3, 6, 11, 14, 19, 22, 27
- Sectional D will be assigned these seeded teams: 4, 5, 12, 13, 20, 21, 28

E) **Sectional Host Sites:** The highest seeded teams in each sectional shall have the first opportunity to host a sectional then followed by the next highest seeded team in that sectional. Therefore, in Sectional A, the number 1 seed has the first choice to host followed by the number 8 seed, 9, 16, 17 and 24 seeds.

F) **Willing to Host Form:** Schools that are willing to host a badminton sectional must bring to the meeting a Willing to Host Form signed by the Athletic Director or Principal. The downloadable form is included in the IHSA Badminton School Manual.

G) **Sectional Dates:** The sectional tournament shall be played on **Thursday, May 8, 2025**. Play cannot begin prior to 4:00 pm.

H) Making the Sectional Draw:

- 1) Two, four, or six players shall be seeded. The coaches present at the seeding meeting shall determine if two, four or six players are seeded.
- 2) A school's entry in single and doubles, regardless of their position rank, should be considered for a seed.
- 3) The draw for both singles and doubles shall be made so that competitors from the same school do not play each other until the final round.
- 4) At the Sectional tournaments, the draw for both singles and doubles shall be made so that competitors from the same school are placed in opposite halves of the bracket.
- 5) Additional sectional seeding procedures are included in the IHSA Badminton School and Managers Manual, and they shall be made in accordance with the rules outlined in it.
- 6) A sectional redraw shall be required by the sectional manager when there is a lineup change to a seeded player(s). A redraw will not be made for a lineup change that involves a non-seeded player(s).
- 7) The sectional draw is to have the top seeds receive the bye.

I) **State Final Tournament and State Final Draw:** On **Monday, May 12, 2025**, members of the IHSA Girls Badminton Seeding Committee will seed singles and doubles players and oversee the state final draw. The Committee shall prepare a list of seeded singles players and doubles teams based on information submitted online from List of Participants Form. Up to 16 singles players and 16 doubles teams will be seeded. The remainder of the draw, made by the computer, will place:

- 1) Teammates have to be on opposite parallel (A-C, B-D) halves.
- 2) Sectional mates have to be on different quarters.
- 3) First place sectional champion doesn't play any seeded player in the first round.
- 4) All other players will be filled in randomly.

J) State Final Alternates:

If an individual single or one doubles team from a given sectional cannot participate, due to injury, illness, or ineligibility in the state final, as certified by the high school principal or athletic director, the next eligible individual single or one doubles team from that sectional will advance in that place (no reseeding of the bracket will take place). To have a late withdraw penalty waived, the principal or athletic director from the high school of the player(s) withdrawing from the competition **MUST** notify the IHSA in writing by 4:15 p.m. on the Tuesday prior to the Badminton State Final. The IHSA will notify the new advancing participants by 8:30 a.m. Wednesday morning.



After the stated deadlines have passes, no alternate participants will be filled for the open position.

VI. TOURNAMENT STRUCTURE AND TIME SCHEDULES

A) Sectional Singles and Doubles Play: The state series singles, and double tournament shall consist of a championship bracket and a consolation bracket. Singles and doubles matches shall be 2 out of 3 games with each game consisting of 21 points.

B) State Final Singles and Doubles Play: All singles and doubles entries shall participate in the First Round of competition. Winners of First Round matches will receive team points as outlined in these Terms and Conditions. The State Final tournament shall consist of a Championship bracket and a Consolation bracket. The Singles and Doubles Championship bracket and Consolation bracket matches shall be 2 out of 3 games of 21 points with a cap of 30.

C) Friday Warm-Up Schedule: Friday warm-up times will be scheduled by the IHSA prior to the State Final. This will be done through a randomized lottery draw. Coaches will be notified of their warm-up time through a link on the IHSA Badminton page. Teams will be given appropriate court space based on the number of qualifiers they have for the State Final. (1-2 players = half court, 3-4 players = full court, 5-6 players = court and a half). Warm-up times will be in 15-minute time blocks starting at 7:45 am. Warm-ups will end at 9:00 am.

D) State Final Schedule
Coaches Meeting will be virtual. Information will be sent to coaches on Wednesday, May 14.

E) State Final Schedule
Thursday, May 15, 2025
3:45 – 8:00 pm Hit-A-Round for Teams and Individuals (In accordance with IHSA by-laws, schools may only practice or hit around within their own team.)

Friday, May 16, 2025
7:30 am Doors Open to Officials, IHSA, Workers, and Team
7:30-9:30 am School Packet Distribution
7:45 am Doors open to all Competitors and Coaches
7:45-8:00 am Warm-Up Block (if needed, IHSA will notify coaches if this time slot is an open warm-up period)
8:00-8:15 am Warm-Up Block 1 (52 athletes)
8:15-8:30 am Warm-Up Block 2 (52 athletes)
8:30-8:45 am Warm-Up Block 3 (52 athletes)
8:45-9:00 am Warm-Up Block 4 (52 athletes)
9:15 am Opening Ceremony
9:45 am Matches begin for singles and doubles (Round 1, 2, 3). Winner Bracket through Match # 88 and Consolation Bracket through Match # 104.

Saturday, May 17, 2025

7:30 am Doors Open to Officials, IHSA and Workers
8:00-8:50 am Warm-ups open to all
9:00 am Quarterfinals in Winner’s Bracket Singles #105-108 and Sweet 16 in Consolation Bracket – Singles #109-112 (8 courts)
10:10 am Quarterfinals in Winner’s Bracket – Doubles #105-108 and Sweet 16 in Consolation Bracket – Doubles #109-112 (8 courts)
11:00 am Quarterfinals in Consolation Bracket for Singles/Doubles 8 courts) #113-116
Noon Semi-finals for Singles/Doubles — #117-120 (8 courts)
Reset Facility for Finals
1:00 pm Finals for Singles – Matches #121-123 (3 courts)
1:30 pm Finals for Doubles – Matches #121-123 (3 courts)
2:00 pm Awards Ceremony Following Conclusion of Play

VII. ADVANCEMENT OF WINNERS

A) Singles: The first four places in singles from each Sectional shall advance to the State Final Tournament.

B) Doubles: The first four places in doubles from each Sectional shall advance to the State Final Tournament.

VIII. TOURNAMENT RULES

A) Sectional Tournament Scoring: All matches shall be played out completely. Players or coaches that elect not to play for reasons other than circumstances beyond the control of the players, coaches or school will be in violation of by-law 2.040, Sportsmanship of a School Representative and of by-law 6.041, Breach of Contract. Penalties will be in accordance with the penalties associated with by-laws 6.011 and 6.012.

1) One point shall be awarded to the winners in each round of the winner’s bracket except that 2 points shall be awarded to the winners of the semi-final rounds. Winner of the final match shall receive 1 point.

2) A half point shall be awarded to the winners in each round of the consolation bracket except that 1 point shall be awarded to the winners of the semi-final rounds. Winners of the consolation final match shall receive a half point.

3) A bye will be counted as a win when the singles or doubles player wins the next match following the bye.

4) A default/forfeit will be counted as a win and the proper number of points will be awarded. The competitor does not have to win the next match to receive these points.

B) State Final Scoring:

1) Singles: One point shall be awarded to the winner in each round except that the winners of the quarterfinal matches shall receive two points. Winners of semifinal and final matches shall receive one point. A default/forfeit will be counted as a win and the proper number of points will be awarded.

2) Doubles: One point shall be awarded to the winner of the first round and one additional point shall be awarded for each round won thereafter, except those winners of the quarterfinal matches shall receive two points. Winners of semi-final and final



matches shall receive one point. Winners of 3rd place matches in singles and doubles shall receive one-half point. Consolation Bracket: One-half point shall be awarded to the winner of each match. A default/forfeit will be counted as a win and the proper number of points will be awarded.

C) Sectional Substitutions: Once the *List of Participants* have been submitted, substitutions may only be made in the case of injury, illness, or ineligibility as certified to by the principal of the player's school. Substituted player (s) may only take the position of the injured, illness, or ineligible player, moving a player from doubles to singles or singles to doubles would not be allowed, as no other position(s) may be modified. The substitute's name may appear on the original *List of Participants*. No substitutions at the sectional tournament shall be made once play has begun.

D) State Final Substitutions: Substitutions will not be allowed for singles players who qualify for the state final. A substitution for a member of a doubles team qualifying for the state finals may be made if the principal of the player's school certifies to her injury, illness, or ineligibility. To be eligible to compete, the substitute must be on the List of Participants and shall be a non-state qualifier.

E) Playing Rules: The current USA badminton rules shall be adopted for play. In addition, the Terms and Conditions, the IHSAA Badminton Manual for Schools and the IHSAA Badminton Manual for Managers, the Code of Conduct, and the IHSAA Badminton Casebook shall all govern play in the state series. The Terms and Conditions, Code of Conduct and the IHSAA Badminton Casebook shall control in resolving any interpretations of badminton play. Regulation courts and court markings shall be provided for the sectionals and state final competition.

Note: Rules 12.2.1, 12.2.3, "Service Court Errors" Rule 15, "Shuttle Not in Play" and 16.5.1, "Advice and Leaving the Court" from the USA Badminton Official Rulebook have not been adopted for play. Amended is "Intervals and Change of Ends" language shall be revised to: "When a leading score reaches 11 points the players or a coach may call for a 60 second interval". During medal matches at the state finals where a contest is officiated, a player(s) or a coach may still call for the time out at 11 points.

F) Competitor Apparel: All players shall appear in the universally accepted badminton clothing — blouse, shorts, or badminton outfit and smooth rubber-soled or composition-soled shoes. Shorts/skirts must be a predominantly solid color. The only writing (screened or embroidered) shall be a school logo or name, not across the back of the short/skirt. Uniforms must be worn as the manufacturer intended. Hats may not be worn during competition. School approved uniforms must be worn during warm-ups and competition. **It is required that doubles partners wear uniform tops and bottoms of like color.** The Games Committee reserves the right to determine appropriateness of all uniforms and the language/messages printed on the uniforms. Unless a case of changing uniforms, all uniform inquiries must be made prior to the start of the second round of play each day of the state tournament.

G) Warm-up Time: A maximum of a 10-minute warm-up shall be allowed prior to the beginning of a match for only the first-round match at Sectional and State Final tournaments. In all subsequent matches for the tournament competitors will continue to have a maximum of 5 minutes to warm-up. A competitor must be allowed 10 minutes between matches at the Sectional and State Final tournaments. A singles player or doubles team can be disqualified if she/they are not ready to play within 10 minutes. Her/their opponent(s) would win by default.

a. During the official warm-up, players are not allowed to use any electronic devices. They should be dressed and ready for competition when they step on the court to begin their warm-up.

b. Coaches are allowed to coach during the warm-up period. Coaching shall not hold up the start of the match. If a singles player is being coached her opponent is allowed to call a coach or a female teammate on to the court to continue the warm-up.

H) Injury Time: In the event of an injury, a player must be able to play within 15 minutes after medical help arrives or her/their opponent(s) will win by default. A player is limited to 2 injury timeouts totaling 15 minutes. Following an injury time out, competitors will have the option of a 1-minute warm-up period if one or both players choose. During an injury time out, the non-injured player may hit with another player or coach to stay warm. During an injury time out, the injured or non-injured player can receive verbal or non-verbal instructions from the coach.

I) Leaving the Court: Under normal circumstances a player should not leave the gymnasium during the match. In the event a player must leave the gymnasium, permission must be granted by both coaches. During the 2-minute break between games 2 and 3, players may leave the playing court but not the gymnasium.

J) Advice:

1) Coaching is NOT allowed:

a) Once a competitor steps on the court to compete
b) The penalty for violation of the illegal coaching is a 1-point team deduction. The second offense is a 2-point team deduction, and the third offense is a disqualification and ejection of the violating coach.

2) Coaching IS allowed:

a) By two coaches/players during a 60 second break when the leading score reaches 11 points and a time out is called by one of the competitors or a coach, during the warm-up period prior to the start of the match, and during an injury time-out. Additionally, multiple coaches (2) are allowed between the 2-minute interval of each game.

b) The penalty for violation of the multiple coaching rules is a 1 game point deduction. The second offense is 3 game points deductions, and the third offense is a disqualification and ejection of the violating coach.

K) Equipment Delays: In the event of equipment breakage or equipment difficulty, a player must be able to play within 5 minutes, or her/their opponent(s) will win by default.

L) Shuttlecocks: At the sectional and state final tournaments, the Yonex ACL 30 (Speed 3) shall be used. The IHSAA shall provide the shuttlecocks for the sectional and state final competition.

M) Games Committee:

1) Sectionals: All coaches from the participating schools along with the tournament manager will make up the Sectional Games Committee. In the event of a conflict of interest, the coach from that school will not be involved.

The role of the Sectional Games Committee is to assess team penalty points, enforce the code of conduct and the playing rules adopted by the IHSAA. Coaches who make up the Games Committee may invoke point penalties provided the coach personally observes the code of conduct violation and reports it in writing to the Tournament Manager. A member of the coaching staff, whose school was penalized, should receive a copy of that report.

2) State Final: Two coaches from each sectional complex will make up the Games Committee. The two coaches will be selected



during the Sectional Complex meeting by a vote of coaches. The elected coaches may be coaches whose players are competing at the state finals. In addition, one member of the Badminton Advisory Committee and the State Final Manager designee will be a part of the Games Committee. In the event of a conflict of interest, that coach will abstain from the deliberations.

The role of the State Final Games Committee is to assess team penalty points, enforce the code of conduct and the playing rules adopted by the IHSAA. Participating coaches along with the coaches who make up the Games Committee may invoke point penalties provided the coach personally observes the code of conduct violation and reports it in writing to the tournament manager. A member of the coaching staff, whose school was penalized, should receive a copy of that report along with the scorer's table.

N) Appeals: A competitor or competitor's coach will not have the right to appeal to the Tournament Manager or the Games Committee for any point or game point until three (3) penalties have been levied. At the time of the 3rd penalty, a competitor will have the right to appeal to the Games Committee.

O) Unsportsmanlike Conduct: Unsportsmanlike conduct and the use of profane language will not be tolerated and shall be punishable under the provisions of By-laws 2.030, 3.151, 6.011 and 6.012. The Girls Badminton Games Committee shall have discretionary authority to disqualify players who persist in violation of this rule. (See Badminton Code of Conduct.)

P) Out of Rotation: If a player(s) playing out of draw position is discovered before the first game is over, that game is halted, and the error is corrected. If the first game is completed or the match is complete that player(s) shall forfeit the match and move to the back draw and the bracket is corrected.

Q) Flip Chart: The on-deck participants of every match (or another team representative) must serve as a flip chart score keepers for the current match on that same court. Both teams will be required to sit in the flip chart area, one team (or team rep) will score and the other will time. On deck players need to report immediately to their court to prepare for their role.

R) AED: Host schools must have an AED available and on site at all IHSAA post season contests.

IX. TOURNAMENT POLICIES

A) State Final Passes: If a school has 1 qualifying individual, they shall receive 2 coaches' passes; if a school has 1 qualifying doubles team, they shall receive 2 coaches' passes. Schools can receive up to 4 coaches passes. Coaches must also be listed on the LOP to receive a coach's pass. Schools who qualify an odd number of players shall receive 1 courtesy pass for a female teammate to act as a warm-up partner. Coaches listed on the LOP, with a coach pass, or players listed on the school's LOP, with participant passes are allowed to sit in the coaching chairs on the court.

B) Artificial Noisemakers: All artificial noisemaking devices shall be excluded from the gymnasium. The local manager has the authority to exclude other noise making devices that distract from the competition including megaphones.

C) Signs and Banners: The display of signs, banners, placards or similar items at IHSAA state series events is permitted, provided they are in good taste, reflect good sportsmanship in their message, they reflect identification and encouragement to participants and their

school/community, they are not displayed on the field of play or in a manner which interferes with play, they do not obstruct the view of participants or spectators, and they are safe.

D) Damage to Property or Equipment: If contestants or people from any school entered in a state series are found guilty of carelessness or maliciously breaking, damaging, or destroying property or equipment belonging to the host school, such school shall be held responsible for costs incurred in replacing or repairing such property or equipment.

E) Media Requirements:

1. Provide Space: Space shall be set aside to provide for news media representatives covering the state series whether they are from newspapers, radio stations, commercial television stations and/or cable television stations.

2. Radio and TV Originators: It is the responsibility of the Local Manager to accept applications, approve requests to originate, collect proper rights fees payments (where required) and make cancellation refunds for television and/or radio play-by-play originations, according to the IHSAA Television and/or IHSAA Radio Broadcast Policy.

a) Television Rights Fees for all levels of competition below the State Final level shall be paid to the host school and shall become part of the revenue to be shared by the member school(s) and the Association according to the financial terms stipulated in these Terms and Conditions.

b) Radio Broadcast Rights Fees are not required for any level of competition in this series (except State Final). Local Managers shall permit radio play-by-play originations of the competition.

c) Television and/or Radio Stations which do not apply in advance, or which do not pay required rights fees prior to the start of the competition in each respective level in this state series shall not be given credentials nor allowed access to the facility to originate. Sponsors of the originations for television and radio shall be only those stipulated in the respective IHSAA Television and Broadcast Policies.

3) Administrative Detail: Reporting information to the news media and/or the IHSAA Office, as stipulated in instructions to Local Managers, shall be the responsibility of each Local Manager and is required.

F) Flash Photography: The use of flash cameras is prohibited by fans during the match. News media is allowed the use of strobe lighting or electronic flashes provided the local manager agrees that the flashes are not causing interference with the conduct of any contest. The local manager can require at any time the photographer to cease the use of the flash. The manager's decision is final.

G) Tobacco Products: No coach, player or any other person connected with a team shall be permitted to use tobacco products in the competition area, either during practice or while a contest is in progress.

H) Use of Inhalers: A student with asthma may possess and use his/her medication during an IHSAA competition while under the supervision of school personnel, provided the school meets the outlined procedures of self-administration in the Illinois school code.

I) Alcoholic Beverages and IHSAA State Series Events: The possession, distribution, sale and/or consumption of alcoholic beverages are prohibited at the site and on any affiliated property of any IHSAA state series contest. State series hosts are required to make all state series contest sites and any affiliated property, including parking lots, fan accommodation areas, and other school or event venue property, alcohol free zones on the date or dates of any IHSAA



event being held at the site. Violation of this policy by an event host will subject the host to a penalty for violation of IHSA By-law 2.020. Such penalty may include but not necessarily be limited to prohibition against subsequent event hosting assignments. Violation of this policy by a non-hosting member school will subject the school to penalty for violation of IHSA By-law 2.020. Patrons of any IHSA state series contest determined to be in violation of this policy will be removed from the premise, and law enforcement officials will be called as warranted. No ticket refunds will be granted in such cases.

J) Prayer at IHSA State Series Contests: Prayer at an IHSA state series contest that takes place over the public address system is prohibited.

K) Court Area: When space allows, coaches/spectators/etc. should position themselves at a minimum of 3 feet off the playing surface.

X. AWARDS

A) Sectionals: The IHSA will furnish medallions to the first four places in both singles and doubles of the sectional tournament. A school plaque will be presented to each sectional winner.

B) State Final: The IHSA will furnish medallions to the first six place finishers in both singles and doubles of the state final tournament. A trophy will be presented to the first, second and third place schools. In addition, all first, second, and third place teams will receive 8 medallions for their individuals. Duplicate awards will be presented in case of ties to individuals and teams. In addition, each first, second and third place teams will receive a Superintendent's medallion, a principal's medallion, and an Athletic Director's medallion. No other trophies or awards of any kind may be presented in the tournament series. Only the participating members of the team and school representatives may participate in the awards presentation. These awards will be furnished by the State Association and are not an expense charged upon the individual tournament.

XI. OFFICIALS

A) State Final Appointment and Fees:

1. Licensed Officials: Three licensed officials shall be hired for each day. The licensed officials are responsible for USAB rules. Licensed officials will officiate the semifinal and final matches and all of the medal matches at the State Finals. When they are not officiating a semifinal or final match, they shall act as rovers. Payment of \$262.50 will be paid to officials.

2. Games Committee: At the State Final Tournament, Games Committee Members, selected by the IHSA, will be used for the matches both days. Interested individuals may volunteer to serve at their sectional seeding meeting. Games Committee members need to be willing and able to stay for the entire tournament, they need to remove themselves from cases involving their team, and they will make calls for violations of these Terms and Conditions and the Code of Conduct. The Games Committee members need to familiarize themselves with the Terms and Conditions, Manager's Manual, Code of Conduct, and the Badminton Case Book. If a Games Committee ruling situation arises, it should be handled immediately, and penalties assessed at the time of the infraction.

3. State Final Line Judges: Ten-line judges will be assigned for the semifinal and final matches and all the medal matches at the state finals. Line judges may be students and players from the state finals.

B) Mileage Fee: At the state tournament, to assist the licensed official (only) for out-of-pocket expenses, a voucher system will be used to compensate the licensed official when they drive more than 70 miles round trip per day. Payment will be made through the IHSA Office, after completion of the tournament series, at a rate of \$.45 per mile in excess of 70 miles round trip. No compensation will be permitted for trips of less than 70 miles round trip per contest.



IHSA Badminton Code of Conduct

There shall be no warnings for the first offense. Penalties become immediate and carry over throughout a tournament. Sectionals and state are considered two separate tournaments for these purposes.

Misconduct	1st Offense	2nd Offense	3rd Offense
Abuse of continuous play: Taking more than 60 seconds when the lead score reaches 11 points. exceeding 2 minutes between 1st and 2nd games; 2 minutes between 2 nd and 3 rd games; or taking more than 5 seconds once in position for serve.	1 game point	4 game points	Team and Coach Ejection
Prolonging an argument over a decision after being directed to resume play	1 game point	3 game points	Disqualification/Ejection
Failure to commence play after expiration of warm-up minutes	1 game point		
Advice by multiple coaches (3)	1 game point	3 game points	Coach

Lateness in being ready

- A player(s) who is not ready to play properly attired and on the court with her opponent after a match has been called..... 3 game points per 5 minutes/ fraction thereof
- Not ready to play after the 2-minute break between games 1 game point per minute/fraction thereof
- Not ready to resume play within fifteen minutes of an injury (may use 2 time-outs for injury. 15 minutes total) Disqualification

NOTE: The time-out for injury should begin once a trainer is available on the court or if the coach or the site director makes the decision on the court.

Profane or obscene language or gestures

- Directed at no one in particular 1 game point 4 game points Disqualification/Ejection
- Directed at an official, opponent, or spectator 3 game points Disqualification/Ejection

Unsportsmanlike acts

- Intentional racquet dropping..... 1 game point 3 game points Disqualification
- Hitting shuttlecock/throwing racquet at/near person 3 game points Disqualification/Ejection
- Tampering with shuttle..... 1 game point 3 game points Disqualification/Ejection
- Delay of match..... 1 game point 3 game points Disqualification/Ejection
- Illegal coaching (verbal/non-verbal) 1 point team Deduction 2 point team Deduction Disqualification
- 1 point team Deduction 3 game points Disqualification/Ejection

Gross Misconduct

- Trash talking 1 game point 3 game point Disqualification/Ejection
- A single, flagrant, gross act of misconduct Disqualification/Ejection
- A single, flagrant, gross act of misconduct after the player has completed her last match..... 1-point team deduction
- Use of an Ineligible Coach..... 1-point team deduction per match coached/coach ejection

Authority:

- It is the responsibility of the coaches of participating schools to monitor player conduct. The Tournament Manager/Games Committee/ participating coaches may invoke point penalties in matches where there is no umpire, provided they personally observe the misconduct. Point penalties must be reported to the Tournament Manager by the person invoking the penalty via the Games Committee Special Report form.



Appeal

- A competitor will not have the right to appeal to the Tournament Manager and Games Committee for any point or game point until three penalties have been levied. At the time of the 3rd penalty, a competitor will have the right to appeal to the Tournament Manager and Games Committee

Gross Misconduct

- Any player who, at the conclusion of the match, exhibits gross misconduct, which includes profane or obscene language or gestures and/or unsportsmanlike acts, will cause that player(s) team to be penalized and may be ejected from the contest.

Ejection:

- In accordance with By-laws 6.011 and 6.012, any player or coach ejected (not disqualified) from a match will be ineligible for the next interscholastic contest at that level of competition, and all other interscholastic contests at any level in the interim. The school Principal and IHSA must be notified by the Tournament Manager of the ejection through the IHSA Special Report form found online.

Sportsmanship Definition:

- Includes actions which are unbecoming to an ethical, fair, and honorable individual. It consists of acts of deceit, disrespect, vulgarity, or taunting.