

The Badminton Ontario club affiliation program extends to any organization (club, team, program) providing recreational or competitive badminton programming, events, or activities. Any organization that wishes to be affiliated with Badminton Ontario in order to access the many benefits of affiliation are eligible to do so, provided they meet our affiliation criteria.

What does it mean to be a BON Affiliated Club? – Affiliation Criteria

In order to be considered a BON affiliated club in good standing, all clubs/teams/programs will be required to:

- 1. Pay the applicable fees to Badminton Ontario
- 2. Pay the applicable fees to their respective District Association
- 3. Submit membership information, as required, for all applicable individuals through the Badminton Ontario Membership Portal
- 4. Share accurate club contact information with Badminton Ontario
- 5. Agree to respect and adhere to the Badminton Ontario Code of Conduct & Ethics Policy
- 6. Agree to respect and adhere to <u>Badminton Ontario's Safe Sport Manual</u>
- 7. Agree to assist in the promotion and support of Badminton Ontario programs, events, services, and initiatives.

Affiliation Process and Fees

Club affiliation is managed and administered between the club and Badminton Ontario, with affiliation fees paid directly to BON by the clubs. There are two distinct fee options for clubs wishing to affiliate with Badminton Ontario:

- 1. Affiliation Fees (for BON insured clubs) \$7/individual*
- 2. Affiliation Fees (for clubs not insured by BON) tiered fees based on membership size (see below)

Tiered affiliation fees (no BON insurance)			
0-50 members = \$50	151-200 members = \$350	301-350 members = \$650	451-500 members = \$950
51-100 members = \$150	201-250 members = \$450	351-400 members = \$750	501+ members – please contact
101-150 members = \$250	251-300 members = \$550	401-450 members = \$850	Badminton Ontario

^{*}Individuals include athletes, coaches (volunteer or paid), trainers, administrators & managers (volunteer or paid), officials, and board members – anyone who is covered by insurance.

All affiliated clubs will also be required to pay their respective **District Association affiliation fees** for the season. These vary by district and will be managed and administered between the club and the district. Please contact your District President for more information.



How do clubs pay their affiliation fees?

Clubs will be invoiced quarterly based on the membership numbers provided in 'Powerhouse' - the new Badminton Ontario affiliation portal.

BON insured clubs will not be billed for individuals who have independently purchased General Memberships or competitive memberships for the season as these memberships include the cost of insurance. Badminton Ontario will reconcile the membership list in Tournament Software with the affiliation list provided in Powerhouse before issuing invoices.

Billing Schedule 2023-2024

- Monday, January 8, 2024 (for all registrations between September 1-December 31)
- Monday, April 1, 2024 (for additional registrations between January 1-March 31)
- Tuesday, July 2, 2024 (for additional registrations between April 1-June 30)
- Monday, September 2, 2024 (for additional registrations between July 1-August 31)

Payment methods accepted by BON:

- Cheque made out to 'Badminton Ontario' and mailed to the BON office
- Credit Card paid through the BON website
- PayPal paid through the BON website

District Affiliation Fees: Clubs will continue to pay their district fees directly to their respective districts and are asked to communicate and coordinate directly with their district presidents.

Contact and General Information

To start the affiliation process, please contact Josée Matte, Interim Executive Director at josee.matte@badmintonontario.ca

Please visit the Badminton Ontario website for more information on:

- Club Affiliation Program & Affiliate Membership https://www.badmintonontario.ca/club-affiliation-program/
- General & Competitive Memberships https://www.badmintonontario.ca/membership/
- Powerhouse BON Club Affiliation Portal coming soon!



What are the benefits of being a BON affiliated club?

Affiliated Club Benefits

- Club listed on BON online club directory
- Promotion of club tournaments & events on BON website/events calendar and social media channels
- Promotion of club employment & volunteer opportunities (e.g. coaching, board roles, volunteer roles) on BON website and social media channels
- Ability for players and coaches to represent club at provincial and national events
 - o Note if club is not affiliated with BON, players must register and compete as 'Independent' in BON and BCAN sanctioned events
- Affordable insurance rates for club commercial general liability insurance and sport accident coverage
- Administrative support for processing certificates of insurance and other insurance-related inquiries
- Opportunity to purchase optional Directors & Officers Liability insurance (for club board members & administrators) at a discounted rate
- Eligibility for funding opportunities and financial support through BON, BCAN, and other funding partners
- Direct communication from BON and up to date information on BON programs, services, tournaments, and events
- Discounts and promotions from BON, BCAN, and other partners
- Ability to host BON and BCAN sanctioned provincial, national, and international events, including tournaments, clinics, exhibition games, demos, and camps.
- Permission to use or display BON logo in club promotional materials and on club website
- Access to the BON network of affiliated clubs and districts
- Access to the BON network of community partners, sponsors, and other partners
- Invitation to attend the BON Annual General Meeting
- Access to resources, best practices, and news from the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport, and the Ontario amateur sport industry
- Administrative guidance and resources on club policies and procedures, inclusive and accessible programing, and issues related Safe Sport, Rowan's Law, Anti-Doping, etc.
- Dedicated administrative support for inquiries related to BON programs, services, events, and activities



Affiliate Membership

All players (recreational or competitive), coaches (volunteer or paid), administrators & managers (volunteer or paid), and officials who are registered as part of a Badminton Ontario affiliated club, team, or program are considered to be BON Affiliate Members.

Affiliate Members may also choose to purchase BON General Memberships and any of our competitive memberships if they wish to access the designated benefits of those membership types or participate in any of our tournaments, events, programs, services, and activities.

Recreational Players

Recreational players who play and participate at the local level (within their own clubs/teams/programs and districts), but who otherwise do not participate in Badminton Ontario tournaments and events, are <u>not</u> required to be BON General Members and may remain as Affiliate Members so long as their club is affiliated and in good standing with Badminton Ontario and their respective District Association.

Recreational players who are part of a club that is not Badminton Ontario or District affiliated <u>must</u> purchase a BON General Membership if they wish to access any of BON's events, programs, services, and membership benefits.

What are the benefits to being a BON Affiliate Member?

Being a member of Badminton Ontario means taking advantage of programs, services, and events, while contributing to the development of the sport at all levels across the province. Joining Badminton Ontario helps impact athletes, coaches, officials, clubs, programs, and events, and strengthens our community as a whole.

Affiliate Member Benefits (Individuals)

- Sport accident insurance covered (if club participating in BON insurance program)
- Up to date information on BON programs, services, tournaments, and events
- Discounts and promotions from BON, BCAN, and other partners
- Ability to represent your club at provincial and national events
 - o Note if club is not affiliated with BON, players must register and compete as 'Independent' in BON and BCAN sanctioned events
- Eligibility to be nominated for provincial and national awards
- Invitation to attend the BON Annual General Meeting
- Dedicated administrative support for inquiries related to BON programs, services, events, and activities
- Be part of the BON network and community of affiliated clubs and districts
- Direct and indirect benefits of being part of an affiliated club (see club affiliation benefits)