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## **Club Affiliation Program**

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# Become a Badminton Ontario affiliated club, team, or program today!



Badminton Ontario is a member based organization that includes seven (7) regional District Associations and a network of clubs providing badminton activities at various levels across the province. Clubs affiliate with both their respective District and Badminton Ontario as the provincial governing body for the sport.

The Badminton Ontario Club Affiliation Program extends to any organization (club, team or 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.

Affiliation status is valid for a period of **one year** (September 1 to August 31) and requires annual renewal.

### **UPDATE** (as of Aug 2025)

Several new updates for the 2025.26 Season:

- Badminton Canada has updated their policy. All clubs must be affiliated for athletes to participate in national events. (see here <</li>
  - https://www.badminton.ca/file/977619/?dl=1> for more details, under 4.2).
- 2. Clubs that have multiple locations need to affiliate by location. Members need to select the proper club location.
- 3. A new non-insured category has been created to support drop-in only locations based on number of courts (\$50 per court) vs. membership based.
- 4. Insurance based affiliation is \$8.50 per member for the 2025.26 season.

## What does it mean to be a Badminton Ontario 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 their applicable fees to Badminton Ontario
- 2. Pay their applicable fees to their respective District Association
- 3. Submit membership information, as required, for all applicable
- 4. Share accurate club contact information with Badminton Ontario
- 5. Agree to respect and adhere to the Badminton Ontario Code of Conduct & Ethics Policy < https://www.badmintonontario.ca/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/BON-Code-of-Conduct-and-Ethical-Conduct-Policy-Apr-2022.pdf>
- 6. Agree to respect and adhere to Badminton Ontario's Safe Sport Manual 
  https://www.badmintonontario.ca/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/Manual-BON-Safe-

Sport-Policy-Apr-2022.pdf>

7. Agree to assist in the promotion and support of Badminton Ontario programs, events, services, and initiatives.

Consequences of not abiding by the BON Affiliation Criteria will be subject to the Discipline, Complaints & Dispute Resolution Policy < https://www.badmintonontario.ca/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/BON-Discipline-Complaints-Dispute-Resolution-Policy-Apr-2022.pdf> and may result in the club's suspension from Badminton Ontario and the removal of privileges.

#### How to affiliate with Badminton Ontario

Club affiliation is managed and administered between the club and Badminton Ontario, with affiliation fees paid directly to BON by the clubs. In order to affiliate with BON, clubs must meet all affiliation criteria and provide all required information.

**Contact:** To express your interest in affiliation and to start the affiliation process, please contact Sierra Hum at sierra.hum@badmintonontario.ca

#### **Affiliation Fees**

There are three distinct fee options for clubs wishing to affiliate with Badminton Ontario:

- 1. Affiliation Fees (for BON insured clubs) \$8.50/individual\* updated pricing for 2025.26 season
- 2. Affiliation Fees (for clubs not insured by BON) tiered fees based on membership size (see table below)
- 3. NEW Affiliation Fees (for clubs not insured by BON) this is targeted towards club locations that are primarily drop-in centres (\$50 per court)

Example: Club XYZ has locations in Barrie, Ottawa, and Toronto. The 3 locations will be listed in Tournament Software as:

- Club XYZ Barrie
- o Club XYZ Ottawa
- Club XYZ Toronto

<sup>\*</sup>Reminder: clubs with multiple locations needs to affiliate by location.

Tiered affiliation fees (no BON insurance)			
0-50 members = \$5	151-200 members	301-350 members	451-500 members
0	= \$350	= \$650	= \$950
51-100 members = \$150	201-250 members = \$450	351-400 members = \$750	501+ members – pl
101-150 members	251-300 members	401-450 members	contact Badminton
= \$250	= \$550	= \$850	Ontario

<sup>\*</sup>Individuals include athletes, coaches (volunteer or paid), trainers, administrators & managers (volunteer or paid), officials, and board members – anyone who is covered by insurance.

#### **District Fees**

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 <** https://www.badmintonontario.ca/district-associations/> for more information.

Looking for more information about the BON Club Insurance Program?

Please visit the Insurance page on our website <
https://www.badmintonontario.ca/club-insurance-program/>



#### **Benefits of Affiliation**

#### - For Clubs

- 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
  - 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 insurancerelated 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

+ For Individuals

For a current list of all Badminton Ontario affiliated clubs, teams, and programs, please visit our Clubs Directory < https://www.badmintonontario.ca/directory/>

#### **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.

Recreational or drop-in 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.

Affiliate Members may also choose to purchase **BON General Memberships and any of our competitive memberships < https://www.badmintonontario.ca/membership/>** if they wish to access the designated tournaments, events, programs, services, and benefits of those membership types.