

BWF PREFERRED EQUIPMENT SUPPLIERS 2021-2024

INTRODUCTION

BWF is certifying “**BWF Preferred Equipment Suppliers**” in different product categories to ensure that the highest level of equipment is used in the highest level BWF tournaments, including Multisport events where BWF is recommending Equipment suppliers to the Organising Committees.

TIMING

- Deadline for application is **1 May 2021**.
- Inspection (where needed) and product assessment will be conducted **before 31 May 2021**.
- Decision by BWF about BWF Preferred Equipment Suppliers **before 30 June 2021**.

The guidelines for selection as BWF Preferred Equipment Supplier and criteria for the certification process in different product categories are:

1. Badminton Feather Shuttlecocks:

- Obtaining BWF equipment approval (please refer to BWF website, <http://bwfcorporate.com/about/equipment-approval-scheme/>, for information about BWF Approval Scheme), however with special quality requirements on:
 - Flight distance variance: <10cm
 - Stability: All Class A
- Track record with equipment being used at BWF Sanctioned events at highest level (level 1 or 2).
- Special play test may be conducted to ensure quality level and that the shuttlecock is living up to a top-class performance with highest level flight properties and smash resistance.
- Up to 4 suppliers will be approved in the product category “Badminton Feather Shuttlecocks”.
- Price USD 20,000 per certification, excluding inspection fees.
- Certification will be valid until 31 December 2024.

2. Court Equipment – Badminton Court mats:

- Having BWF equipment certification in minimum Grade 1B (please refer to BWF website, <http://bwfcorporate.com/about/equipment-approval-scheme/>, for information about BWF Approval Scheme).
- Track record with equipment being used at BWF Sanctioned events at highest level (Level 1, 2 or 3).
- BWF inspection may be conducted for equipment approval to ensure quality level of products.
- Up to 4 suppliers will be approved in the product category “Badminton Court mats”.
- Price USD 20,000 per certification, excluding inspection fees.
- Certification will be valid until 31 December 2024.

3. Court Equipment – Badminton Sub-floors (Synthetic or Wooden):

- Having BWF equipment certification in minimum Grade 1B (please refer to BWF website, <http://bwfcorporate.com/about/equipment-approval-scheme/>, for information about BWF Approval Scheme).
- Track record with equipment being used at BWF Sanctioned events at highest level (level 1, 2 or 3).
- BWF inspection may be conducted for equipment approval to ensure quality level or products.
- Up to 4 suppliers will be approved in the product category “Badminton Sub-floors (Synthetic or Wooden)”.
- Price USD 20,000 per certification, excluding inspection fees.
- Certification will be valid until 31 December 2024.

Selection, Fees and Terms:

- Tests may be conducted of Equipment Company product and up to 4 suppliers will be selected in each category. BWF may at its discretion appoint 1 additional supplier per category.
- The suppliers selected will be offered a “Preferred Equipment Supplier” status.
- Tests and certification will be charged in the following way:
 - **USD 5,000** to start up the certification process per equipment category (non-refundable)

- Any costs connected with inspection must be borne by the Equipment Company and will be invoiced separately. All inspection costs consist of inspector's per diem, transport, accommodation at a 4-star hotel, professional fee and air flight ticket (if required).
- **USD 15,000** to get final approval after having passed all tests and having been selected as "BWF Preferred Equipment Supplier"
- Certification will be valid until 31 December 2024.
- All BWF Preferred Equipment Suppliers will be recommended to Multi-sport event organizers, and it will be up to the Equipment Supplier and the Multi-sport event organizer to finalize final agreements.

THE APPLICATION PROCESS FOR CERTIFICATION

- 1. Documents** – Send to the BWF the following documents:
 - a. Application form for each product you wish to get certified.
 - b. A valid BWF Equipment Certificate for the product. The product name **MUST** correspond to the name on the BWF Equipment Certificate.
 - c. For shuttlecocks the BWF Test Report or similar test report showing special requirements on Flight Distance Variance and Stability.

- 2. Samples – for Shuttlecock only:**
 - a. Send three (3) tubes of the feather shuttlecocks – 1 tube in speed 77, 1 tube in speed 78 and 1 tube in speed 79 OR equivalent - (for each brand) to the BWF Secretariat address:

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UNIT NO. 1, LEVEL 29
NAZA TOWER PLATINUM PARK
NO. 10, PERSIARAN KLCC
50088 KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA.
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- 3. First invoice** – An invoice of USD 5000 will be issued for each model to start the inspection process. This fee is non-refundable.

- 4. Inspection – for flooring only:**
 - a. BWF may request for a BWF representative to make inspection of the floor. Please ensure that information is submitted on the application form about venue(s) or stadium (stadia) where the product is installed. On-site inspections require:
 - i. Please ensure that the examination can take place in a badminton play scenario.
 - ii. On Sub-floors for testing a BWF Certified Court Mat must be installed.
 - iii. A net need to be attached to both net posts, complying with the exact dimensions stipulated in the BWF statutes.
 - iv. A thorough inspection will be held under the recommended conditions by BWF inspectors and will include a play test.

- 5. Final Invoice** – Upon completion of the on-site inspection and approval, an invoice will be issued for each model. The invoice will include fees for the certification until 31 December 2024 and inspection costs. All inspection costs consist of inspector’s per diem, transport, accommodation at a 4-star hotel, professional fee and air flight ticket (if required).

- 6. Issue of Certificate** – The certificate for “BWF Preferred Equipment Suppliers” will be issued upon receipt of payment.