

BWF ENVIROMENT POLICY

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1. BWF Environmental Policy

“*Environmental Responsibility*” is enshrined in the BWF constitution. Clause 4.5 states that:

The Federation shall take a responsible approach to safeguarding the environment and managing resources through its practices in hosting events and in managing its operations.

The BWF Environment Policy describes the aims and principles underpinning environmental responsibility in the activities undertaken by the BWF – its events, the equipment used in badminton and its office operations.

2. Policy Aims

- 2.1. To promote environmentally sustainable practices.
- 2.2. To provide guidelines and to educate.
- 2.3. To manage social and economic responsibility to ensure the current and future needs of the sport and the BWF are met.

3. Principles

BWF’s Environment Policy is based on the following principles.

- 3.1. Conservation of resources
- 3.2. Waste reduction
- 3.3. Healthy conditions for all associated with badminton events and operations
- 3.4. Environmental awareness and education

4. Policy Rationale

- 4.1. Badminton is a sport that requires equipment made from natural products, specialist lighting and air conditions and specific flooring conditions.
- 4.2. IOC Charter and Agenda 21 for Sport – responsible concern for environmental issues
- 4.3. BWF’s constitution requires the Federation to take steps in safeguarding the environment and managing resources.
- 4.4. Badminton players, entourage members, event organisers, administrators and can all play their part.

5. Administration Committee Responsibility

The BWF Administration Committee is delegated by the Council to oversee the implementation of the Environment Policy with the following areas of responsibility:

- 5.1. To promote environmental responsibility in the planning and staging of events;
- 5.2. To raise awareness on environmental issues throughout the badminton community;
- 5.3. To oversee the development of publications / guidelines on environmental sustainability for the sport, event management and environmental impacts of these, general awareness of environmental issues in the sport;
- 5.4. To encourage research that looks for the use of more sustainable materials for badminton equipment;
- 5.5. To liaise with external institutions such as public authorities, environmental organisations and other sporting bodies;
- 5.6. To monitor and evaluate the applications of BWF's environmental policies and guidelines.