The purpose of this Statement is to act as:

- an aid to bidding cities
- a reference against which the plans of cities hosting the Youth Olympic Games will be measured

The Statement is not exhaustive, in the sense that it does not necessarily include responsibilities and obligations placed on the Organising Committee for the Games by the International Olympic Committee.

The BWF reserves the right to amend the Statement from time to time.

1. **EVENTS IN THE COMPETITION**

The competition in Badminton must comprise all the following:

- Men’s Singles
- Women’s Singles
- Relay Team

2. **PERIOD OF COMPETITION**

This will vary according to the number of competitors, but must always be at least six days. In 2018, the competition will be played over six days. The schedule assumes three sessions of play each day until the later stages of the competition.

3. **NUMBER OF COMPETITORS**

The number of competitors for 2018 is 64. The IOC decides the number of competitors.

4. **TECHNICAL OFFICIALS**

Officials fall into the following categories and numbers:

- Technical Delegate: 1
- Referee: 1
- Deputy Referees: 2
- Umpires: 16
- Medical Officers: 2
- Match Co-ordinator: 1
- Umpire Co-ordinator: 1
- Line Judge Co-ordinator: 1 *
- Line Judges: 60 *

* These officials are usually provided by the Member Association in the country in which the Games are held, but the BWF policy is that at least 10 positions are made available to experienced Line Judges from outside that country. Appointment of the Line Judge Co-ordinator and Line Judges does, nonetheless, require BWF approval. The BWF, if desired, must be involved in the training of Line Judges.
5. BWF OFFICIALS

5.1 In addition to the President and Secretary General, members of the BWF Secretariat play a variety of roles at all major events, including the Youth Olympic Games. Those expected to be in attendance are:

- Chief Operating Officer
- Director of Development
- Director of Events
- Communications personnel - 2

5.2 In addition to the Communications personnel, the BWF team will include:

- BWF official photographer
- BWF official journalist

6. ACCREDITATION

It is essential that all BWF staff, including those at 5.2, be given the necessary accreditation to all operational areas to enable them to access all parts of the Competition venue.

7. BWF REPRESENTATIVES

The BWF Representatives, comprising the President and Secretary General normally attend the Games.

8. COMPETITION VENUE

8.1 Field of Play. The floor of the field of play must measure not less than 46 metres by 30 metres. The uninterrupted height above the floor must be not less than 12 metres. [Note: the field of play is bounded by the first row of seating for spectators or others not involved in management of the competition].

8.2 Flooring. The surface on which carpeting and court mats are placed must be a wooden, sprung floor approved by the BWF.

8.3 Court Equipment. Court mats, posts and nets for three competition courts and three warm-up courts must be procured only from sources authorised by the BWF.

8.4 Shuttlecocks. Shuttlecocks must be procured only from sources authorised by the BWF. A secure room must be provided for the storage of 300 dozen shuttlecocks, of at least three speeds (these will vary according to conditions in the Competition Hall).

8.5 Lighting. The positioning and lux requirements of lighting over the field of play may vary according to the nature and structure of the competition hall. Lighting must be situated at least one metre outside, and at least 12 metres above, the court boundaries. There should be no direct glare from lighting into the eyes of players on court. A lighting level of 1400-1600 lux is required on the court, when measured holding the light meter in the vertical plane at right angles to intended TV camera shots. Court lighting must be capable of immediate response to the on / off switch. There must be no external sources of light through windows etc. Lighting over spectator areas must be capable of being dimmed during play.

8.6 Background. The walls or any material covering the walls, ‘A’ boards and other interior surrounds (including seating) to the field of play must be of a dark colour. Light colours – white or yellow, for example – must not be used. [Note: according to lighting placements and the height of the ceiling above the lighting, it may also be inappropriate for the ceiling to be of a light colour]. Backgrounds of any “look and feel” ‘A’ boards must meet with the BWF approval.
8.7 **Air movement.** The field of play must have minimal draughts or other air movement. Where air-conditioning is normally used, special attention must be paid to its effects. Double-door (air-lock) entry / exit points must be provided.

8.8 **Seating.** A minimum of 2,000 seats is required. This number includes Youth Olympic Family requirements.

8.9 **Warm-up area.** This must be close to the competition hall and accessible under cover. Space for three courts is required. An uninterrupted height above the courts of at least 10 metres must be provided. The requirements of 8.2, 8.3, 8.6 and 8.7 above will apply.

8.10 **Coach videoing.** Physical provision must be made for team coaches to video matches involving their players, as is generally allowed at all BWF events. These videos are for private use and analysis only, and users can, if desired, be required to sign appropriate commitments as to use of the tapes.

9. **TELEVISION and INTERNET COVERAGE**

9.1 Television coverage must be provided for at least the central court throughout all sessions of the competition.

9.2 “Real-time” scores must be provided to the internet, i.e. the score point by point in all matches as the points are scored.

10. **PRACTICE HALL**

A hall (or halls) with four or more courts is required for training before and during the period of competition. These are in addition to the three warm-up courts (which can also be used for training prior to the start of competition). Distance from the Athletes’ Village is more important than that from the Competition Hall. Although it may not be possible to replicate the exact conditions of the Competition Hall, the uninterrupted height above the courts must be at least 10 metres. The requirements of 8.2, 8.3, 8.6 and 8.7 above will apply.

11. **EQUIPMENT**

Basic equipment requirements are:

**11.1 Field of play:**

- Wooden, sprung flooring
- Carpeting around courts and to edge of field of play
- Shuttlecocks (Minimum 400 dozen in total – 3 speeds required)
- Court mats (3 for main courts, but one spare Court mat is required as contingency)
- Net Posts (6)
- Nets (3)
- Net / post measuring sticks (3)
- Umpires’ chairs (3)
- Service Judges’ chairs (3)
- Boxes for used shuttles (3)
- Mopping brooms and towels (6 of each at any one time)
- Vacuum cleaner
- Line Judges’ chairs (30)
- Coaches’ chairs (12)
- 2-minute interval indicators (3)
- Electronic specialised scoreboards (6)
- Main fixed electronic display board
- Large videoscreen visible to the majority of spectators and showing the TV signal
- Players’ kit boxes (12)
- Drinking water dispensers (3)
- Equipment to measure and record temperature, humidity and air pressure
11.2 Warm-up hall:

Shuttlecocks (included within 400 dozen in 11.1)
Wooden, sprung flooring
Matting / carpeting around courts and to edge of wooden flooring
Court mats (3)
Net posts (6)
Net / post measuring sticks (3)
Nets (3)
Drinking water dispensers (2)
Seats for players and coaches (30)

11.3 Practice hall:

Shuttlecocks (100 dozen)
Court mats (4)
Net posts (8)
Net / post measuring sticks (4)
Nets (4)
Seats for players and coaches (40)
Refreshment facilities and drinking water dispensers

[Note: the above numbers in 11.1, 11.2 and 11.3 are the operational requirements; spares must, of course, be available].

11.4 Technical (Field of Play):

Work stations for:
- Referees
- Technical Delegates
- Match Co-ordinator and assistants
- Umpire Co-ordinator
- Shuttlecock control
- Medical Officers
- TV liaison staff
- Racket stringing
- Warm up area
- Time and scoring desk

Court-side areas reserved for:
- TV cameras
- Press photographers
- Score board operators

Mobile phones (18) for:
- Technical Delegate (1)
- Referees (3)
- Secretary General
- BWF Delegation (8)
- Medical Officers (2)
- Match Co-ordinator and his team in warm up area (3)

Wireless headset for:
- Match Co-ordinator

Radios (Walkie Talkie) for:
- Referees (2)
- BWF Delegation (8)
- Technical Delegates (1)
- Medical Officers (2)
- Match Co-ordinator and his team in warm up area (3)
Radio or telephone links:
when on court, from each Umpire and Service Judge to the Referee’s desk

12. TECHNICAL CONSULTATION

The BWF will require full consultation with the Organising Committee regarding establishment of many technical aspects, but including especially:

- Computer database
- Computer elements of Match Control
- Electronic specialised sport scoreboards
- Lighting conditions
- Air conditioning

13. TOURNAMENT CONDITION

The competition will be conducted under the BWF Regulations. The BWF will determine the qualification process (subject to IOC approval), the timing and procedure of the draw, and the selection of seeded players.

14. SEATING BY CATEGORY

Allocation of seating in the Competition Hall must take particular account – in terms both of numbers and location – of the needs of players and team officials. The number of seats for this purpose should not be less than the total player quota. Team officials, coaches, medical officers and staff must be accredited for access to the players’ seating area(s).

15. BWF OFFICE REQUIREMENTS

Separate rooms at the competition venue are required for the following Federation personnel:

- President
- Secretary General in close proximity to Secretariat
- Technical Delegates
- Referees adjacent to Field of Play
- Communications Officer

16. PLAYERS FACILITIES

The following are the Federation’s basic requirements at the Competition Venue:

- Players’ lounge
- Changing rooms (men)
- Changing rooms (women)
- Physiotherapy room(s)
- Medical Consultation room
- Anti-doping testing facilities (as per IOC requirements)

17. FACILITIES FOR TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

The following are the basic requirements at the Competition Venue:

- Briefing room (to hold up to 50 people)
- Changing room (men)
- Changing room (women)
- Umpires’ lounge (to hold up to 20 people)
- Line Judges’ lounge (to hold up to 50 people)
- Secure lockers / cupboards

18. PRESS FACILITIES

The Press and Interview Rooms must be as close as possible to the Competition area, and any link between the Press Facilities and the Competition area must be under cover. Professional interpretation into English is required, with particular requirements in Chinese, Bahasa and Korean.