

20 September 2017



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## BOTSWANA INTERNATIONAL 2017

On behalf of the **Botswana Badminton Association (BBA)**, we have the pleasure to invite your Association to participate in the Botswana International 2017 (International Series) which will be held from Thursday 23rd to Sunday 26th November 2017 in Lobatse. Information on the tournament are as follows:

EVENT	<b>BOTSWANA INTERNATIONAL 2017</b> <b>International Series</b> <b>USD 8,000</b>
VENUE	<u>Lobatse Sport Complex Multipurpose Hall (4 Courts)</u> Lobatse, Botswana  Practice sessions can be arranged on arrival upon request and will be subject to court availability.
DATES	Thursday 23 - Sunday 26 November 2017
EVENTS	Men's Singles, Women's Singles, Men's Doubles, Women's Doubles and Mixed Doubles
VISA	Application for visa must be made to the Botswana Embassy in your country or a neighbouring country. Support letter can be provided upon request from your association. <b>Refer to the attached documents for more information on visa for Botswana.</b> You can also log in here for more information: <a href="http://www.gov.bw/Ministries--Authorities/Ministries/Ministry-of-Labour--Home-Affairs-MLHA/Tools--Services/Services--Forms/Requirements-for-VISA-application/">http://www.gov.bw/Ministries--Authorities/Ministries/Ministry-of-Labour--Home-Affairs-MLHA/Tools--Services/Services--Forms/Requirements-for-VISA-application/</a>  Please note that <b>NO visa on arrival</b> will be delivered.

<p><b>ACCOMMODATION</b></p>	<p><u>Cumberland Hotel</u> Lobatse</p> <p>Price (Full board – Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner – all meals at Cumberland Hotel)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Double Room: <b>USD 65 / Person</b></li> <li>▪ Single Room: <b>USD 85 / Person</b></li> </ul>	
<p><b>AIRPORT</b></p>	<p>Gaborone International Airport Airport Code :GBE</p>	
<p><b>REFEREE</b></p>	<p>Mr. Emmanuel Kgaboetsile - BOT (BWF Accredited Umpire) Email: <a href="mailto:ekgaboetsile@debswana.bw">ekgaboetsile@debswana.bw</a></p>	
<p><b>SHUTTLECOCK</b></p>	<p>RSL Tourney Number 1 (BWF Approved)</p>	
<p><b>LOCAL TRANSPORTATION</b></p>	<p>Local transportations will be provided free of charge to participants and officials.</p> <p>The Hotel is approximately 60 minutes from the Airport and the Badminton Hall is 5 minutes from the Hotel.</p>	
<p><b>TEMPERATURE</b></p>	<p>In November, the temperature varies around 26°C during the day and at night it's around 22°C.</p>	
<p><b>KEYS DATES</b></p>	<p><b>Closing date of entries</b></p>	<p><b>Tuesday 24 Oct 2017</b></p>
	<p><b>Main and Qualifying Report World Ranking date</b></p>	<p><b>Thursday 26 Oct 2017</b></p>
	<p><b>Main and Qualifying Report publish on BCA webpage</b></p>	<p><b>Friday 27 Oct 2017</b></p>
	<p><b>Seeding Report World Ranking date</b></p>	<p><b>Thursday 2 Nov 2017</b></p>
	<p><b>Seeding Report publish on BCA webpage</b></p>	<p><b>Friday 3 Nov 2017</b></p>
	<p><b>Last day of withdrawal without penalty</b></p>	<p><b>Sunday 5 Nov 2017</b></p>
	<p><b>DRAW</b></p>	<p><b>Tuesday 7 Nov 2017</b></p>

<b>PRIZE MONEY (USD 8,000)</b>	<b>Rank</b>	<b>MS</b>	<b>WS</b>	<b>MD</b>	<b>WD</b>	<b>XD</b>
	<b>Winner</b>	1000	1000	300	300	300
				300	300	300
	<b>Runner up</b>	500	500	160	160	160
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	<b>Semi</b>	200	200	60	60	60
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	<b>Quarter</b>	90	90	No Prize Money		
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<b>ENTRIES</b>	<p>All entries must be made by using the BWF Online Entry System. Entries must be submitted no later than <b>Tuesday 24 October 2017 at 23h59 BWF HQ (Kuala Lumpur) time (GMT + 08.00)</b></p> <p>Member Associations must log on to the Botswana International 2017 at:  <a href="https://www.tournamentsoftware.com/sport/tournament.aspx?id=450ED02C-2245-49EF-802F-ED9EDAD42280">https://www.tournamentsoftware.com/sport/tournament.aspx?id=450ED02C-2245-49EF-802F-ED9EDAD42280</a></p> <p>If you require a username and password to submit your entries online, please contact Mr Ramachandran <a href="mailto:s.ramachandran@bwfbadminton.org">s.ramachandran@bwfbadminton.org</a> BWF Senior Events Officer. All entries must be confirmed by the National Association. Organizers are allowed to refuse entries if players are on the current BWF banned list. No late entries will be accepted.</p>					
<b>DRAW SIZES</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Entries – Main Draw</b>		<b>No. of Entries – Qualifying draw</b>		
		<b>Direct</b>	<b>Qualifiers</b>			
	<b>Men's Singles</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>64</b>		
	<b>Women's Singles</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>32</b>		
	<b>Men's Doubles</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>16</b>		
	<b>Women's Doubles</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>16</b>		
<b>Mixed Doubles</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>16</b>			

<b>BWF ID</b>	<p>Players cannot be entered unless they already have a BWF ID-number. In case you wish to enter players who do not have a BWF ID-number, you can now generate new BWF IDs for your players via Tournament Software.</p> <p>If ever you need help to generate new BWF IDs, please contact BWF or BCA (for African countries) well in advance of the tournament, so that the players concerned can be assigned BWF ID-numbers before the closing date of the tournament.</p>															
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<b>TEAM MANAGERS' MEETING</b>	<p><b>Thursday 23 November 2017 @ 10h30</b> in the meeting room of the official Hotel or the hall. The tournament will start later on the same day. These schedules are subject to change, please contact the organisers for more details.</p>															
<b>WITHDRAWALS</b>	<p>Withdrawal of players without penalty is <b>Sunday 5 November 2017</b>. Players withdrawing after Sunday 5 November 2017 or no-show will have to pay a fine of US\$ 150 and US\$ 500 respectively.</p>															
<b>INSURANCE</b>	<p>Participants must arrange their own insurance for health, travel and property. The organisers will not be responsible for any medical costs.</p>															
<b>CONDITIONS</b>	<p>The tournament will be played on a knock-out system and in full accordance with the General Competition Regulations of the BWF and the instructions of Badminton Confederation Africa. Competitors must be prepared to play at the times determined for the events for which they have entered.</p> <p>Players shall not plan their departure less than four (4) hours after their last match is concluded. Such a player/pair shall lose all the ranking points gained and Badminton Confederation Africa shall propose to BWF that the gained BWF ranking points are removed.</p>															



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	<p>According to the BWF General Competition Regulations, there is no world ranking points for an International with less than 8 entries in (MS, WS, MD, WD and XD). In such a case, the tournament may be cancelled and the organisers will not take any responsibility for any arrangements that may have been already made.</p>
<p>CONTACTS</p>	<p><b><u>Botswana Badminton Association</u></b> Email: <a href="mailto:ekgaboetsile@debswana.bw">ekgaboetsile@debswana.bw</a>; <a href="mailto:president@botswanabadminton.com">president@botswanabadminton.com</a> Phone: +267 77 456 456 ; +267 72 801 338</p> <p><b><u>Badminton Confederation Africa</u></b> Email: <a href="mailto:bcaedoo@gmail.com">bcaedoo@gmail.com</a> Phone: +230 57 14 91 00   +230 57 90 24 06</p>

We are at your complete disposal for any additional information you may need, don't hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully,



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