



— OFFICIAL PROSPECTUS —

Invitation to
BAOJI China Masters 2026

Date: May 12-17 2026

Baoji City Gymnasium

Prize Money: **US\$120,000**

Dear Members,

It is with pleasure that we invite your players to participate in the BAOJI China Masters 2026 to be held on 12 to 17 May, 2026 at Baoji Gymnasium, Baoji, Shaanxi, China. Please find below the entry details and event information.

Should you require any additional information or assistance, please contact us. We look forward to seeing you in Baoji City, China in May 2026

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Zhang Jun

President of Chinese Badminton Association

General Details	
Organiser	Chinese Badminton Association Address: No.20 Longtan Road, Beijing 100061, China. T: +86 01067116275 E: cbatournament@cba.org.cn
Sanction	Badminton World Federation
Date	12 May 2026 to 17 May 2026
Competition Venue	Baoji City Gymnasium Address: No. 1, Shigu Road, Baoji City, Shaanxi Province, China 721000
Referee Team	Referee: Ilkka Vainio (FIN) - vainioilk@gmail.com Deputy Referee: Karin Bester (RSA) - Karinbester79@gmail.com Local Deputy Referee: TBC
Useful Contacts	CBA Email: cbatournament@cba.org.cn Baoji OC Email: ydytcm@foxmail.com Kindly send all enquiries to both email addresses.
Insurance Coverage	Players and all members of the national delegation shall hold valid insurance covering any damage or injury they may cause to third parties. The insurance must also cover bodily injury, including medical and hospitalisation expenses, incurred in the host country, as well as any expenses and costs associated for repatriation of the insured party its country of residence.
Indemnity	To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, all players and members of the national delegation shall release and hold harmless the BWF, the Tournament Organiser, and their respective officers, officials, employees, agents, and representatives, from any liability, damage, loss, cost, or expense arising from or connected with their participation in the Tournament.
Participant Agreement for Use of Photographs and Videos	By entering the Tournament, Players and all members of the national delegation grant the BWF and the Tournament Organiser full rights to use their images and likenesses in photographs, television footage, and other recordings taken during matches or tournament-related activities. These rights include use for any commercial, news, promotion, or other purpose, together with the right to transfer such right without compensation.

Form Deadlines	Visa Invitation Letter	:10 April 2026
	Accreditation	:20 April 2026
	Media Accreditation	:20 April 2026
	Accommodation	:20 April 2026
	Practice	:30 April 2026
	Transport	:30 April 2026

Entry Details				
Regulations (Conditions of Play)	This tournament will be run in accordance with, but not limited to, the Badminton World Federation (BWF) Statutes - General Competition Regulations (GCR) , and BWF World Tour Regulations . In the event of any dispute, the decision of the Tournament Referee will be final.			
	This tournament will strictly enforce the Clothing, Equipment, and Advertising Regulations as outlined in the BWF Statute 5.1. This includes restrictions on certain colours for shirts, shorts, and skirts to avoid issues with virtual advertising on TV courts, as per GCR 21.7.			
Scoring System	Best of three games to 21 points, as per Laws of Badminton .			
Key Dates	Entry Deadline / World Ranking Date for M&Q Report		7 April 2026	
	Publication Date for M&Q Report		10 April 2026	
	Last Date to Withdraw without Penalty		4 May 2026	
	World Ranking Date & Publication Date for Seeding Report / Draw Date		5 May 2026	
Draw	Event	Direct Main Draw Entries	Qualifying Positions for Main Draw	Maximum Entries in Qualifying Draw
	Men's Singles	40	8	16
	Women's Singles	28	4	16
	Men's Doubles	28	4	16
	Women's Doubles	28	4	16
	Mixed Doubles	28	4	16
Online Entry – International Entries	Entries for this tournament must be made by the Member using the BWF Online Group Entry system .			
	If the Member requires a username and password to access the system, please contact the BWF at the following email address: technicalevents@bwf.sport			
	The entry deadline is Tuesday, 7 April 2026 at 23:59 hrs, BWF Headquarters time (+08:00 hrs GMT). Late entries will not be accepted.			
	After the entry deadline, the BWF Online Group Entry System will send notification to all participating Members confirming receipt of final entries.			

	<p>Receipt of this notification is the conclusive evidence of receipt of entries before the deadline.</p> <p>Members should contact BWF immediately if such notice is not received by Wednesday, 8 April 2026 at 12:00 hrs BWF Headquarters time.</p> <p>If no objection is received by BWF by Thursday, 9 April 2026 at 23:59 hrs BWF Headquarters time, the entries shall be deemed to be correct. No complaints/objections will be entertained after this point.</p>
<p>Withdrawals</p>	<p>The management of withdrawals will be run in accordance with BWF Statute 5.1. GCR 11, 13 and 14.</p> <p>Members can withdraw their entries through the BWF Online Group Entry system until the last date of withdrawal without penalty (see Key Dates Section).</p> <p>Withdrawals made after this date will incur a penalty in accordance with the BWF Table of Offences and Penalties.</p> <p>Please ensure that the Tournament Referee and Host Organiser are notified immediately in writing, clearly stating the reason for the withdrawal.</p> <p>If a Member needs to withdraw any entries once players have arrived in the host city, notification of withdrawal must be made by the Team Manager in person to the Tournament Referee, or Deputy Referee(s), and must also be confirmed in writing to:</p> <p>Referee: Ilkka Vainio (FIN) - vainioilk@gmail.com</p> <p>Deputy Referee: Karin Bester (RSA) - Karinbester79@gmail.com</p> <p>Local Deputy Referee: TBC</p> <p>Baoji OC Email: ydtycm@foxmail.com</p>
<p>World Tour Regulation Updates</p>	<p>No updates.</p>

Tournament Details

Competition Schedule	Date	Event	Round	Courts	Doors Open	Start Time
	Tuesday 12 May	All Events	Qualification	4	8:00	9:00
			MS R64 & Top Half XD R32 (Except Qualifiers)			17:00
	Wednesday 13 May	All Events	R32 & MS R64 Qualifiers & Bottom Half of XD 32 & XD 32 Top Half Qualifiers	4	8:00	9:00
	Thursday 14 May		R16	4	10:00	11:00
	Friday 15 May		Quarterfinals	4	14:00	15:00
	Saturday 16 May		Semifinals	2	12:00	13:00
	Sunday 17 May		Finals	1	12:00	13:00
Times and order of play may be changed at the discretion of the Tournament Referee.						
Official Shuttlecock	Li-Ning G800					
Practice Facilities	Practice Hall	Location: Holiday Inn Baoji Central (8 Courts)				
		Schedule:				
		SUNDAY	09:00-21:00			
		MONDAY	09:00-21:00			
		TUESDAY - SUNDAY	09:00-21:00			
Competition Courts	Schedule:					
	SUNDAY	09:00-21:00				
	MONDAY	09:00-20:00				
		Court Mat Color: Green				
Warm-up Courts	Number of Courts: Baoji City Gymnasium (5 Courts)					
	Schedule:					
	SUNDAY	09:00-21:00				
		MONDAY	09:00-21:00			
Practice Shuttles	Each competing player will be provided with 2 shuttles for practice. If additional shuttles are needed, you may purchase Li-Ning G800 model badminton shuttles at the warm-up area, 4 USD/26 RMB each.					

Players' Facilities	Players' Lounge	Location: Main Venue Facilities: Water, Snacks, WIFI, Seating Operational Hours: During competition time.
	Stringing Services	Location: Warm up Hall Operational Hours: During practice time and competition time Cost: For Li Ning sponsored players free stringing services are provided; For non-Li Ning brand rackets and strings pay USD 15 or RMB 100; Non-Li Ning sponsored players pay USD 20 or RMB 150 Payment: Cash only
	Medical Services	A medical officer and physiotherapist service will be available during the tournament, free of charge to the player. Location: Main Venue Operational Hours: During competition time
Meetings	Team Managers' Meeting	It is mandatory for all participating Members (represented by designated Team Manager) to attend the Team Managers' Meeting. Members will be penalised for failing to attend, in accordance with the BWF Table of Offences and Penalties . Members are allowed to request representation by another Member, provided that the Tournament Referee is notified in advance and approves. Date : Monday, 11 May 2026 Time : 17:00 Location : Holiday Inn Baoji Central
	Umpires' Briefing	Date : Monday, 11 May 2026 Time : 15:30 Location : Holiday Inn Baoji Central
Presentation Ceremonies	All prize ceremonies will take place on Sunday, 17 May 2026, immediately after the conclusion of each final. Medals/trophies/other will be presented to all finalists. In accordance with Player Commitment Regulations , all players participating in the finals of a tournament must attend the final ceremonies directly after the match or must follow the instructions given by the organisers regarding ceremony protocol. No equipment, including rackets and flags, are allowed to be brought onto the podium. Clothing worn during the ceremony must be in accordance with the BWF GCR.	

Prize Money	A prize fund of USD120,000 will be distributed in accordance with BWF Statute 5.3.5 and awarded as per the table below. 20% tax shall be deducted. Doubles prize Money is per pair.					
		Winner	Runner-up	Semi finalist	Quarter finalist	Last 16
	Men's Singles	\$9,000	\$4,560	\$1,740	\$720	\$420
	Women's Singles	\$9,000	\$4,560	\$1,740	\$720	\$420
	Men's Doubles	\$9,480	\$4,560	\$1,680	\$870	\$450
	Women's Doubles	\$9,480	\$4,560	\$1,680	\$870	\$450
	Mixed Doubles	\$9,480	\$4,560	\$1,680	\$870	\$450
Accreditation	Access to Tournament venues and other services is provided through personalised and photographic accreditation.					
	The number of complimentary accreditation passes available for Team Officials is dependent on the number of competing player from the same Member:					
	Number of Member Players		Number of Team Officials Accreditation			
	Three or Less		1			
	Four to Seven		2			
Eight to 15		3				
16 or More		4				
A limited number of additional accreditation passes for approved Team Officials will be available for purchase at a fee of USD200, charged to the respective Member, and payable at the tournament (IN CASH).						
The fee to replace any lost or damaged accreditation passes will be USD200 on each occasion, charged to the respective Member, and payable at the tournament (IN CASH).						
The tournament reserves the right to refuse entry into any accredited venue or area or service (e.g. transportation) as a result of damaged or missing accreditation.						
The fraudulent use of accreditation is strictly prohibited, and will result in access rights being removed, and penalties being applied.						
Anti-Doping	Doping control in badminton, in accordance with BWF Anti-Doping Regulations , is conducted out-of-competition and in-competition with the collection of urine and/or blood samples.					
	Athletes are responsible for any substance found in their body. Before an athlete takes any medication, they should check with their doctor, and if necessary, get a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE).					

<p>Badminton Integrity</p>	<p>Section 2.4 of the BWF Statutes (Code on The Prevention of The Manipulation of Competitions) relates to anti-corruption and anti-match manipulation, and this code applies to all participants at this tournament.</p> <p>To protect the integrity of BWF sanctioned tournaments, participants are not allowed to bet in any way on badminton matches, shall respect the principle of fair play, and shall not attempt to influence the course or result of a game or match.</p> <p>Every person has an obligation to report to the BWF any approaches by anyone to gather inside information or to change the outcome of a match(es).</p>
<p>Acceptance of BWF Statutes</p>	<p>By making or authorising entries, the Member confirms its acceptance, and that of its Players, of the BWF's Statutes and disciplinary processes.</p>

<p>Travel & Visa Details</p>	
<p>Transport</p>	<p>Complimentary transportation will be provided by the tournament between the official venues: competition venue, official hotel(s), practice venue (if separate from the competition venue), and the following transportation hubs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Xi' an Xianyang International Airport • Baoji South Railway Station, Baoji Railway Station <p>To request transportation, please complete and return the Transportation Request Form by 30 April 2026 to ydtycm@foxmail.com.</p>
<p>Visa</p>	<p>If a visa is required to enter CHINA, we can provide a letter of invitation to assist with your application.</p> <p>The tournament host and hosting Member will only communicate with a Member. The hosting Member will only provide a visa support letter if the form is completed accurately and comprehensively, and supporting documentation is provided, where requested.</p> <p>The tournament host and hosting Member accept no responsibility for withdrawals made due to late or refused visa applications.</p> <p>It is the responsibility of the Member to apply for the necessary visas in sufficient time, and all matters should be directed to the Embassy in charge.</p> <p>For visa invitation letter requests, please complete and return the Visa Form by 10 April 2026 to ydtycm@foxmail.com.</p> <p>Any visa support letter issued by the tournament host does not guarantee entry into CHINA; the final decision is made by the Government of CHINA.</p>

Accommodation Details				
Hotels	Name of Hotel	Rates	Facilities	Remarks
	Holiday Inn Baoji Central	USD80	Gym/Laundry Machine/Swimming Pool/Late-Night Supper/Competition Shuttle Bus/Event Consultation & Services	Facilities and services are provided free of player
Payment and Other Information	<p>Please complete and return the Accommodation Request Form by 20 April 2026 to ydytcm@foxmail.com.</p> <p>Upon receiving the hotel confirmation letter, payment must be completed within three working days, and proof of payment must be provided to ensure successful room reservation. Room bookings for the tournament are only accepted through the official designated email address of the organizing committee.</p> <p>Address: NO.8 Xingzheng Avenue , Baoji City. (8 km to the venue, and 30 min by bus.)</p> <p>Check-in: 3:00 PM, early arrival subject to hotel availability. Check-out: 12:00 AM, late check out will be charged: as 50% one night room before 6:00PM and one night room rate after 6:00 PM.</p> <p>Confirmation Update: Please provide the detailed room list as least 15 days and above before event; any update after confirmation about room rate or room quantity or room type will subject to hotel most update.</p> <p>Cancellation: Advanced 7-day & above: for free Advanced 5-day & above: charged first night room rate Advanced within 3-day: cannot be cancelled</p>			

Media Details									
Player Media Obligations	<p>It is a condition of entry into BWF sanctioned tournaments that each player, if requested by the BWF, host organiser, or other tournament official, is required to undertake a range of media activities. Please refer to the BWF Player Commitment Regulations for more information.</p> <p>Members should be prepared to facilitate the attendance of their player(s), if requested.</p>								
Media Accreditation	<p>Please complete and submit Media Accreditation Request Form.</p> <p>For details, contact the LOC at ydytcm@foxmail.com</p>								
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	<p>Additional domestic-only TV matches may be produced. Schedule will be communicated at Team Managers' Meeting if applicable.</p>
Match Recordings	<p>Video recording for match review purposes within the competition venue is only permitted by accredited team officials of participating Members from clearly defined positions. There are a limited number of these positions and prior authorisation must be obtained in advance from the tournament officials.</p> <p>Alternatively, at the discretion of the tournament organisers, match recordings will be provided directly by the host and shared digitally. This will be confirmed at the Team Managers' Meeting.</p> <p>Video footage captured must be used solely for training/coaching purposes by the Member and its coaching staff and not for further distribution. Members may be liable for any costs incurred by BWF if video footage is used for any other purpose.</p> <p>The BWF and host organising committee reserve the right to remove any non-approved items of recording equipment.</p>