Intramural Sports Badminton Doubles Rules

Registration:
April 11\textsuperscript{th} (Monday) – April 19\textsuperscript{th} (Tuesday)
All teams must be registered by 11:59 PM on Tuesday, April 19\textsuperscript{th}

Cost: $10 per team

Event will take place on Saturday, April 23\textsuperscript{rd}

DIVISIONS OF COMPETITION:
Fraternity Men’s Co-Rec Women’s

FORMAT: Two players per team are required to be on the court at all times. For the Co-Rec division, teams must have one player of each gender on the court at all times. Teams will be placed in a single-elimination tournament. All games will be played in the gymnasium located in Helen Newman Hall.

ELIGIBILITY: Players are eligible to join one single gender (Fraternity, Men’s, Women’s) and one Co-Rec Team regardless of level of play. Participants are subject to the Intramural Sports eligibility rules as stated in the Intramural Handbook (page 3). All roster additions will be handled through IMLeagues.com or at the game site. If a participant does register at the game site, they will need to have created a profile by the time their game is played. If the Intramural staff has to create an IMLeagues profile for an individual that is added to a team, a $5 administrative fee will be charged to the team captain for each instance.

VALID CORNELL ID CARDS: Before anyone can participate, each player must present their Cornell picture ID when they check in at all events. NO ID = NO Play. There are no exceptions to this rule.

SCORING:
A game consists of 21 points (win by two, 30 point cap)
A set consists of three games: best two out of three

GAME RULES:
• A racquet spin will be used to determine which team chooses to serve, receive, or take the side.

SERVICE:
• A serve may not be delivered until the opponents are ready.
• The server shall start by serving from the right hand service court to an opponent standing in his/her right hand service area. The serves is made in the doubles court area and only the player standing in the proper service court may play the shuttle and return it. Players continue to serve until a “side out” is made, at which point the other team will serve.
• Service is made from the right service area when the score of the server is zero or even, and from the left side when the score is odd. The server, therefore, must change service area whenever a point is scored.

FAULTS ON SERVE:
• Service is overhand. Shuttle is hit at a point higher than the server’s waist or any part of the racquet is higher than server’s hand holding the racquet.
• Shuttle is not hit to proper service area.
• Server is not standing in the proper area to serve, is standing on the lines, or the receiver is not in a proper court area.
• Server feints or balks opponent off balance.
• Shuttle is hit outside the court, passes under the net, or touches person, dress, walls, or ceiling.
• Striking shuttle before it crosses the net.
• Net or supports are touched by player or racquet.

ADDITIONS:
• During a serve, both the server and receiver must stand in their respective courts. Touching a line with the foot is considered out of the court.
• If the shuttle hits the net on the serve and is otherwise good, it is a legal serve.
• A shuttle that touches the net during play is in play if it goes in the proper court.
• A server who misses the shuttle completely during a serve does not commit a fault.
• A shuttle that falls on the line is considered inbounds.
• Any accidental hindrance is considered let (ex: ball on court).
• It is illegal for a player to hold up his/her racquet to block a return at the net. They may hold it up, however, to protect his/her face.

**SPORTSMANSHIP:** Good sportsmanship is required of all participants. Players, coaches, and spectators are to conduct themselves properly at all times. Cornell Recreational Services reserves the right to suspend or disqualify groups or individuals for unsportsmanlike conduct at any time. Unsportsmanlike conduct before, during, and/or after a game (event) will not be tolerated.

*All rules not specifically covered in this document will be enforced as U.S. Badminton Association Rules. All rules are subject to change by the Director of Intramural Sports.*