

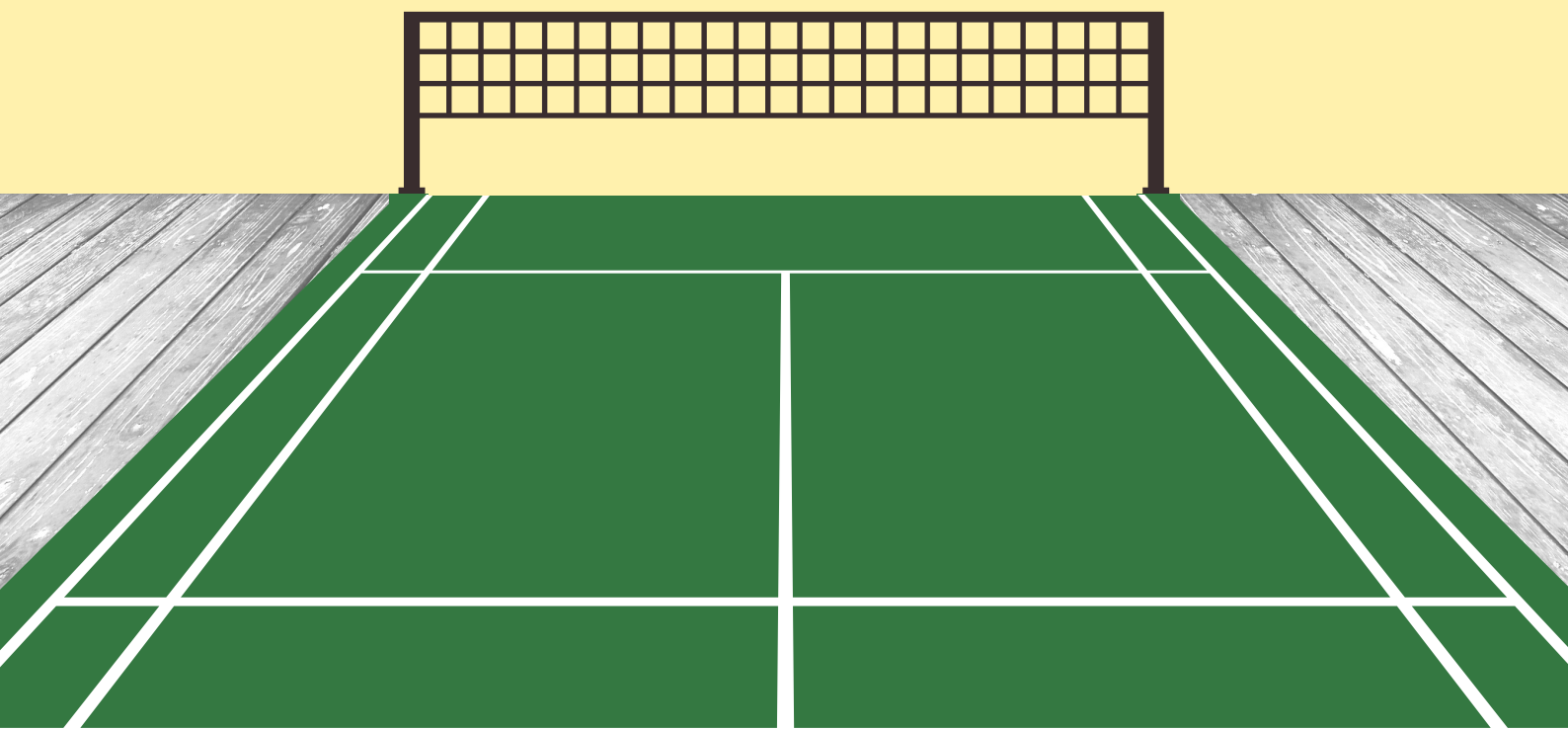


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AND HOW DOES IT WORK?**





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WHAT'S A TEAM COMPETITION?

Team competitions are mixed team events where teams representing countries, provinces, clubs, or schools go head-to-head to compete against one another. These competitions foster teamwork, sportsmanship, and team spirit while engaging all athletes, coaches – and even spectators! – to join in on the excitement.

On the international stage, the Sudirman Cup is the most prestigious mixed team event, while the Thomas Cup and Uber Cup are team events are all-men and all-women events, respectively.

HOW ARE THESE EVENTS DIFFERENT THAN REGULAR TOURNAMENTS?

Good question. First, there are some terms you should know:

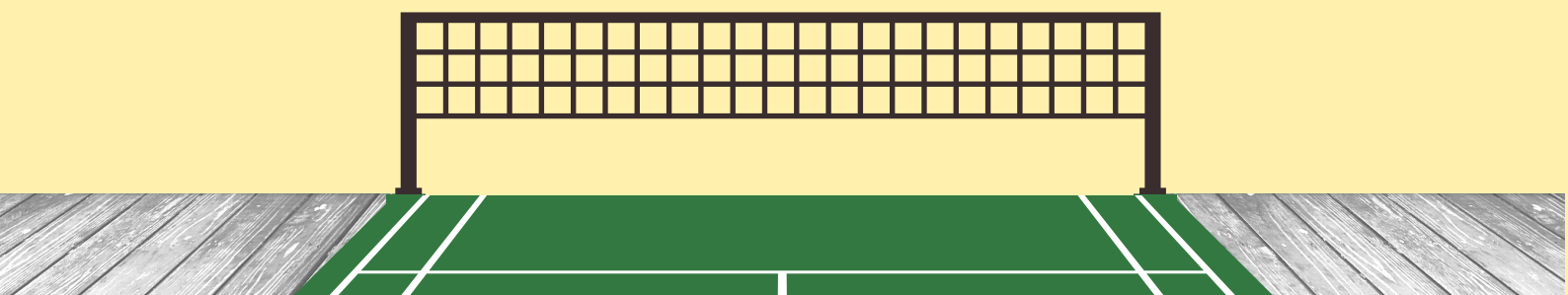
"game" : a single game (to 21) within a best-of-three match

"match" : a best-of-three games between two opponents

"tie" : a set of matches between two teams. For MBA events, this consists of:

- 1 boys'/men's singles match
- 1 girls'/women's singles match
- 1 boys'/men's doubles match
- 1 girls'/women's doubles match
- 1 mixed doubles match

For MBA team competitions, team rosters must include between 6-10 athletes. In round robin play, teams complete 1 *tie* against each other team in their pool. To win a *tie*, a team must win at least 3 of the 5 matches.





RULES & REGULATIONS

HEAD-TO-HEAD COMPETITION

Coaches must submit their line-up of athletes 10 minutes prior to the start of the tie. Each athlete must take part in at least 1 match in Round Robin and 1 match throughout the playoffs.

Athletes may not take part in more than 2 matches per tie.

The winning team's coach or manager must report the score to the draw desk.

GENERAL FORMAT

Round Robin. Each team completes a tie with each other team in their pool.

If there are ties after the Round-Robin stage, they will be decided by head-to-head result

- tie-breakers with more than 2 teams will be determined with matches for/against between the tied teams
- if still tied, we will then look at games for/against between the tied teams
- if still tied, we will then look at points for/against between the tied teams

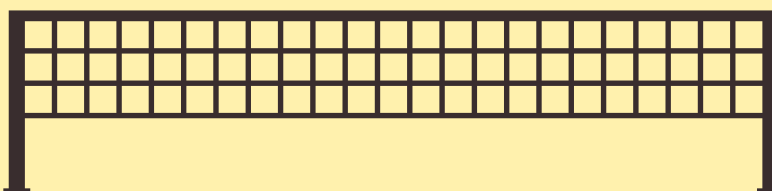
When teams advance to the playoffs, they will be ranked and will then cross over to play teams from different pools.

Playoff formats may vary. At MBA School Team Championships, playoffs will be single-consolation; losers of their first tie will move to the consolation bracket.

OFFICIATING (REFEREES & UMPIRES)

The tournament referee's job is to maintain BWF-sanctioned rules which create a fair and equal playing environment. If any coach or athlete feels that an incident is compromising the integrity of the tournament, the coach should approach the referee with their concern.

Umpires manage individual matches and ties. When umpiring a match, they keep score and call any faults. The umpire will report scores instead of the athletes or the coaches. If any issue arises on court, it is the athlete's responsibility to raise their hand (or racquet) to call for the referee; the coach cannot interfere with the match in any way.





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