

# BRAZIL INTERNATIONAL CHALLENGE



2026 EDITION  
**BADMINTON**  
MARCH 23-29, 2026  
CLUB ATHLÉTICO PAULISTANO  
SÃO PAULO/SP

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— OFFICIAL PROSPECTUS —

Invitation to

# Brazil International Challenge 2026

## BWF Grade 3 Tournament, Level – International Challenge

March 24<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup>

Venue

**Club Athletico Paulistano  
(São Paulo – Brazil)**

Prize Money: **US\$ 20,000**

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Dear Member Associations,

On behalf of the Brazilian Badminton Confederation, it is an honor and a pleasure to invite players from all over the world to join us at the Brazil International Challenge 2026. The Brazilian Badminton Confederation, after some years, is once again organizing competitions of this magnitude and is very excited to offer a high-level competition in the largest city in the country: São Paulo.

The chosen venue is the beautiful Club Athletico Paulistano, which has already hosted major events and will now host our competition again, taking place from March 23rd to 29th, 2026.

In this prospectus, you will find important information for your planning and preparation before the registration and travel to Brazil. Our team advises all participants to carefully read all the necessary information to ensure a smooth experience upon arrival in Brazil, which is very committed to providing the best possible experience, guaranteeing an event with the highest safety standards, creating a fun and exciting environment for everyone. Therefore, we hope to welcome you with open arms in São Paulo in 2026!

Sincerely yours,



*José Roberto Santini Campos*  
*President, Brazil Badminton Confederation*

## 1. General Details

<b>Organizer</b>	<p>Confederação Brasileira de Badminton - CBBd Avenida Evandro Lins e Silva nº 840 – sala 1119 – Barra da Tijuca Rio de Janeiro/RJ - BRAZIL E-mail: <a href="mailto:badminton@badminton.org.br">badminton@badminton.org.br</a> Website <a href="https://www.badminton.org.br">https:// www.badminton.org.br</a></p>
<b>Sanction</b>	<p>Badminton World Federation (BWF) and Badminton Pan Am Confederation (BPAC)</p>
<b>Date</b>	<p>March 24<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup>, 2026</p>
<b>Competition Venue</b>  <b>Courts</b>	<p>Club Athletico Paulistano Rua Colombia, 77 – Jardim Paulista <i>(Access only through this address)</i> São Paulo – BRAZIL</p> <p>4 Competition Courts</p>
<b>Media Links</b>	<p>  @confederacaodebadminton          @tvcbdd   @cbbd_oficial       </p>
<b>Referee Team</b>	<p><b>Referee:</b> Dionne Haynes (BAR) Email: <a href="mailto:dionasha@gmail.com">dionasha@gmail.com</a></p> <p><b>Local Deputy Referee:</b> Renysson Vieira / Email: <a href="mailto:renysson@gmail.com">renysson@gmail.com</a></p>
<b>Useful Contacts</b>	<p>Hilton dos Santos, Tournament Coordinator Email: <a href="mailto:hilton@badminton.org.br">hilton@badminton.org.br</a></p>
<b>Insurance Coverage &amp; Indemnity</b>	<p>All participants are responsible for their own arrangements, including insurance coverage. Players and all members of the national delegation shall bear all costs relating to injuries, medical treatment, or hospitalization, and must ensure that their players and officials are medically fit and adequately insured. The Tournament Organizer accepts no liability for any claims, damages, or losses arising from participation in, or cancellation of, the tournament.</p>
<b>Participant Agreement for Use of Photographs and Videos</b>	<p>Players and all members of the national delegation shall agree to give the BWF and the Tournament Organizer full television and motion picture rights, including permission to film players and members of the national delegation during all matches and activities around the Tournament, for any commercial, news or other purpose together with the right to transfer such right, including without compensation.</p>

## 2. Entry Details

<p>Regulations (Conditions of Play)</p> <p>Clothing Regulation</p>	<p>This tournament will be run in accordance with, but not limited to, the Badminton World Federation (BWF) Statutes, General Competition Regulations (GCR), General Competition Regulations (GCR), Badminton Pan Am Regulation (BPAC) and CC Grade 3 Tournament Regulations. In the event of any dispute, the decision of the Tournament Referee will be final.</p> <p><b>For all tournaments included in the Pan American Badminton Circuit, the name of the player on the back of the jerseys and the name of the country are mandatory</b> and must be in accordance with the following specific literals of the This tournament will strictly enforce the Clothing, Equipment, and Advertising Regulations as outlined in the BWF GCR 20 – 24. Any breach of these regulations will be forwarded to BWF.</p> <p>It is mandatory that for all tournaments that are part of the Continental Tour all opposing players wear different colors significant for the quarterfinals, semifinals and finals (BWF GCR: 21. COLOUR OF PLAYERS' CLOTHING, 21.6).</p>																								
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<p>Online Entry – International Entries</p> <p>&amp;</p> <p>Entries Payment</p>	<p>Online entry registration of players for this tournament must be done by the Member Association using the BWF Online Group Entry system, using the following link:</p> <p><a href="https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/tournament/F6F2FB4D-821A-4C4E-83DB-A72502558006">https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/tournament/F6F2FB4D-821A-4C4E-83DB-A72502558006</a></p> <p>If the Member Association requires a username and password to access the system, please contact the BWF at the following email address:</p>																								

## Entries Payment

[technicalevents@bwf.sport](mailto:technicalevents@bwf.sport)

Please see the key dates section for entry deadline. Late entries will not be accepted. **For this tournament, the entry deadline is Tuesday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at 11:59 PM (GMT +08:00).**

Member Associations should contact BWF immediately if such notice is not received by **Wednesday, one day after the entry deadline at 23:59 hrs. BWF Headquarters time.**

If no objection is received by BWF **Thursday, two days after entry deadline at 23:59 hrs. BWF Headquarters time**, the entries shall be deemed to be correct. No complaints/objections will be entertained after this point.

### Entries – US\$ 200 per player

*The Entries Fees must be made in cash immediately after the Technical Meeting, before the start of matches.*

*If any country wishes to pay the entries via bank transfer, request the details by email [hilton@badminton.org.br](mailto:hilton@badminton.org.br)*

## Withdrawals

The management of withdrawals will be run in accordance with BWF GCR 13 and 14.

Member Associations can withdraw their entries through the BWF Online Group Entry system until the last date of withdrawal without penalty. For this tournament is **Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup> 2026 at 11:59 PM (GMT +08:00)**

Withdrawals made after this date will incur a penalty in accordance with the BWF Table of Offences and Penalties (BWF Statute 2.5).

Please ensure that the Tournament Referee and Host Organizer are notified immediately in writing, clearly stating the reason for the withdrawal.

If a Member Association 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:

Referee: Dionne Haynes (BAR) Email: [dionasha@gmail.com](mailto:dionasha@gmail.com)

Host Organizer Contact: HILTON DOS SANTOS Email: [hilton@badminton.org.br](mailto:hilton@badminton.org.br)

## 3. Tournament Details

### Prize Money

A prize fund of **USD \$20,000** will be distributed in accordance with BWF Statute 5.3.5, and awarded as per the table below.

	Winner	Runner Up	Semi Finalist	Semi Finalist
Men's Singles	\$1,800 – 9%	\$800 – 4%	\$400 – 2%	\$400 – 2%
Women's Singles	\$1,800 – 9%	\$800 – 4%	\$400 – 2%	\$400 – 2%
Men's Doubles	\$2,400* - 12%	\$1,040* - 5.2%	\$480* - 2.4%	\$480* - 2.4%
Women's Doubles	\$2,400* - 12%	\$1,040* - 5.2%	\$480* - 2.4%	\$480* - 2.4%
Mixed Doubles	\$2,400* - 12%	\$1,040* - 5.2%	\$480* - 2.4%	\$480* - 2.4%

\* – per pair

### Competition Schedule

Day	Event	Round	Courts	Doors Open	Start	End
Tuesday, Feb 24 <sup>th</sup>	MS/WS/MD/WD/XD	Qualifying Draw	4	08:00	13:00	19:00
Wednesday, March 25 <sup>th</sup>	MS/WS/MD/WD/XD	Main Draw	4	08:00	10:00	19:00
Thursday, March 26 <sup>th</sup>	MS/WS/MD/WD/XD	Main Draw	4	08:00	10:00	19:00
Friday, March 27 <sup>th</sup>	MS/WS/MD/WD/XD	QF	4	08:00	10:00	Follow Bye
Saturday, March 28 <sup>th</sup>	MS/WS/MD/WD/XD	Semi Finals	2	08:00	10:00	Follow Bye
Sunday, March 29 <sup>th</sup>	MS/WS/MD/WD/XD	Finals	1	08:00	10:00	Follow Bye

Times and order of play may be changed at the discretion of the Tournament Referee, and all end times are approximate.

### Official Shuttle

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### Practice Facilities

#### Practice Facility Information:

- Location: Club Athletico Paulistano
- Number of Courts: 4
- Schedule: March, 23<sup>th</sup> – time: 9 – 19 hs
- Booking/Reservation information: [hilton@badminton.org.br](mailto:hilton@badminton.org.br)

#### Competition Courts Information:

- Schedule: March, 23<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> (after qualifying)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Booking/Reservation Information: <a href="mailto:hilton@badminton.org.br">hilton@badminton.org.br</a></li> <li>• Court Mat Color: Green</li> </ul>
<p><b>Player Facilities</b></p>	<p><b>Stringing Services:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Location: Club Athletico Paulistano (main entrance)</li> <li>• Schedule: March - 23<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup></li> <li>• Cost: TBC</li> </ul>
<p><b>Team Managers’ Meeting</b></p>	<p><b>The Team Managers’ Meeting will be held at the following:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Date: Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026</li> <li>• Time: 10:00 a.m.</li> <li>• Location: TBC</li> </ul> <p>All participating Member Associations must be represented by their designated Team Manager at the Team Managers’ Meeting. Non-attendance may result in penalties being imposed on the Member Association.</p> <p>Member Associations are allowed to request representation by another Member Association, provided that the Tournament Referee is notified in advance and approves.</p>
<p><b>Umpire Briefing</b></p>	<p><b>The Umpire Briefing will be held at the following:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Date: Monday, March 23<sup>th</sup>, 2026</li> <li>• Time: 18:00 p.m.</li> <li>• Location: TBC</li> </ul>
<p><b>Presentation Ceremonies</b></p>	<p>All prize ceremonies will take place on Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2026 immediately after the conclusion of each final. Medals/trophies/other will be presented to all champions and finalists.</p> <p>In accordance with Player Commitment Regulations (BWF Statue 5.3.6), 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 organizers regarding ceremony protocol.</p> <p>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.</p>
<p><b>Accreditation</b></p>	<p>Access to Tournament venues and other services is provided through personalized and photographic accreditation.</p> <p>Please submit your Accreditation Forms by <a href="mailto:hildengard@badminton.org.br">hildengard@badminton.org.br</a></p> <p><b>ACCREDITATION REQUEST FORM</b></p>

<p>Medical Services</p>	<p>A medical service, ambulance and ice will be available during the tournament, free of charge to players. <b>If an athlete needs to be taken to the hospital, a team member must accompany the player.</b></p>
<p>Anti-Doping</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>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> <p>For more information about anti-doping, please visit the BWF website: <a href="https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-doping-overview/">https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-doping-overview/</a></p>
<p>Badminton Integrity</p>	<p>Section 2.4 of the BWF Statutes (Code of Conduct in Relation to Betting, Wagering and Irregular Match Results) 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, 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 matches.</p> <p>For more information, please refer to BWF’s website: <a href="https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-match-fixing-overview/">https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-match-fixing-overview/</a></p>
<p>Compliance with General Competition Regulations Clause 7.9</p>	<p>GCR 7.9: <i>“In making or authorizing entries, the Member concerned is reconfirming its acceptance, and acceptance by the Players being entered, of the BWF’s regulations and Disciplinary processes</i></p>

## Travel & Visa Details

### Transport

Brazil Badminton Confederation (CBBd) will offer transport between Airport x Official Hotel x Airport:

- Guarulhos International Airport (GRU) - Terminal 3

To request transportation, please complete and return the Transportation Request Form by Tuesday 13 March 2026 to email [hilton@badminton.org.br](mailto:hilton@badminton.org.br).

***For family and friends, the Brazilian Badminton Confederation will also offer transportation from the airport to official hotels (round trip). In these cases, those interested must also fill out the form below, and there will be a cost of US\$50 per person.***

**Due to the distance between the official's hotels and the venue, the organization informs that it will not offer transportation on this route.**

#### TRANSPORTATION REQUEST FORM

### Visas

If a visa is required to enter BRAZIL, we can provide a letter of invitation to assist with your application.

Please complete and return the Visa Letter Request Form by Tuesday 13 March 2026 to [hilton@badminton.org.br](mailto:hilton@badminton.org.br)

The tournament host and hosting Member Association will only communicate with a Member Association, and the hosting Member Association will only provide a visa support letter if the form is completed accurately and comprehensively, and supporting documentation is provided, where requested.

The tournament host and hosting Member Association accepts no responsibility for withdrawals made due to late or refused visa applications.

It is the responsibility of the Member Association to apply for the necessary visas in sufficient time, and all matters should be directed to the Embassy in charge.

VISA information may be shared with the Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Brazil's. Information collected is used to identify and coordinate the processing of visa applications and, upon request, provide organizers updates of aggregate data on the status of visa applications of event participants, within the confines of the Privacy Act and at the discretion of the Special Events Unit.

Any visa support letter issued by the tournament host does not guarantee entry into BRAZIL; the final decision is made by the Government of BRAZIL.

#### VISA REQUEST FORM

## 4. Accommodation Details

**HOTEL WS JARDINS (1,1 mts from the competition venue)  
Rebouças Avenue, 955 – Jardins**

Single and Doubles Room  
Price – Approx. US\$ 142 per day /per person

Reservations – [reservas@wzjardins.com.br](mailto:reservas@wzjardins.com.br)

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**IBIS BUDGET JARDINS (900 mts from the competition venue)  
9 de Julho Avenue, 3597 – Jardins**

Hotel Economic Class – Smaller Rooms  
ONLY SINGLE ROOMS  
Price – Approx. US\$ 99 per day + tax

Reservations – [h5525-re@accor.com](mailto:h5525-re@accor.com)

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**MERCURE HOTEL PAMPLONA (1,6 mts from the competition venue)  
Pamplona St, 1.315 – Jardins**

Single and Doubles Room  
Price – Approx. US\$ 187 per day /per person

Reservations – [h66284-re@accor.com](mailto:h66284-re@accor.com)

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All hotels include:

Breakfast, Wifi, Parking}  
Check in – 2pm  
Check out – 11:59 am

***Due to the distance between the official's hotels and the venue, the organization informs that it will not offer transportation on this route.***

***For more information about Hotels and reservations, consult directly the hotels using the email addresses provided above. Do not contact the organizations regarding this matter.***