

Application Guidelines – World Class Elite - Scholarship top players and top talents

Eligible players for a scholarship

- Only European players, who are in “good standing” with their Federation.
- Player(s) who currently ranks Top 30 in Singles or Top 25 in the doubles on the BWF world ranking (at the time submitting the application), but also demonstrating an ability to win medals at a World Championships or Olympic Games.
- Player, who is part of a strong badminton programme or individual project, that currently ranks outside Top 30 in Singles or Top 25 in the doubles on the BWF world ranking (at the time submitting the application) but has beaten world top 10 players or has demonstrated a plausible potential to beat top 10 players/pairs in the world within the period 2023-2026 and thus capable of winning medals at future World Championships and/or Olympic Games.
- Individual players (single players or one player in a double) and double pairs are eligible for scholarships.
- The players supported with a scholarship must demonstrate a relevant need for support that can significantly increase and help their ability to compete for medals at future World championships and/or Olympic Games within the period 2023-2028.
- Players with a documented high income are not eligible for a scholarship.

The application

The application must answer the following questions:

- Why are the player eligible to receive the scholarship?
- Which needs (which are currently not being supported) shall the scholarship cover?

The following information must be provided in the application:

- Results and/or BWF world ranking position that make the player eligible for the scholarship. Only results from the last year will be considered.
- Current training setup:
 - o Weekly training plan from when the player is having a normal training week. The plan must cover:
 - Number and duration of badminton sessions
 - Number and duration of physical training sessions (including both a strength and conditioning training)
 - Injury prevention (training sessions, regular physio treatment or other kinds of injury prevention activities)
 - Number and duration of mental training sessions
 - o Name of:
 - Badminton coaches
 - Experts (physios, physical trainers, mental trainer/sport psychologist, nutritionist, etc)
 - Name of players in the training group that the player trains with every day
- Tournament plan for the next 12 months
- Financial information:
 - o Yearly budget of your daily life and badminton expenses. The detailed budget must show:

- An estimation of total income (Sponsors, prize money, badminton commitment from different clubs from different badminton leagues etc)
- An estimation of daily life expenses (accommodation, food, clothing, insurances, transport, sparetime activities, etc)
- An estimation of badminton expenses (training, equipment, tournaments, experts, etc)
- Budget for utilization of the scholarship:
 - Breakdown of how the scholarship will be utilized