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BWF ANNOUNCES PARA BADMINTON TOURNAMENT CALENDAR FOR 2021

The Badminton World Federation (BWF) has announced the Para Badminton Tournament Calendar for 2021.

The Spanish Para Badminton International to be staged in May 2021 will serve as the last qualification tournament for the Tokyo Paralympic Games.

Week	Dates	Tournament	City
13	29 Mar–4 Apr	3 rd Fazza–Dubai Para Badminton International	Dubai
19	10–16 May	Spanish Para Badminton International	Cartagena
25	21–27 Jun	Irish Para Badminton International	Dublin
35	1–5 Sept	Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games	Tokyo
TBC	TBC	Peru Para Badminton International	Lima
43	25–31 Oct	BWF Para Badminton World Championships	Tokyo
46	15–21 Nov	Uganda Para Badminton International	Kampala
49	5–9 Dec	Asian Youth Para Games	Manama

BWF Secretary General Thomas Lund said the main priority was to ensure the completion of the last qualification tournament for the Tokyo Paralympic Games and to maximise participation.

“We are fully aware that the lack of international Para badminton tournament activity has been challenging for all players, and very frustrating. We thank the playing group for their patience, support and cooperation in allowing us to form this calendar.

“The debut of Para badminton at the Tokyo Paralympic Games remains a key milestone for us, and BWF is committed to ensuring an inspirational first appearance on the Paralympic sports programme.

“COVID-19 has indeed been a barrier to the growth and development of Para badminton and the ability of players to participate in international competitions.

“But we are confident that with tournaments back on the horizon, and the prospect of seeing our players back on court, we can keep building international competition pathways for athletes, grow global participation and integrate Para badminton into BWF’s existing systems and structures during the COVID-19 era.”

The BWF will publish an updated qualification timeline after consultation with the International Paralympic Committee.

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ABOUT BWF

The Badminton World Federation (BWF) is the international governing body of the sport of badminton, recognised by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and the International Paralympic Committee (IPC). It was originally the International Badminton Federation (IBF) which was founded on 5 July 1934, before being rechristened the Badminton World Federation in 2006.

The purpose and objectives of BWF include regulating, promoting, developing and popularising the sport of badminton throughout the world and organising, conducting and presenting international events at the highest level.

The BWF's vision is to make badminton a leading global sport accessible to all – giving every child a chance to play for life. Its mission is to lead and inspire all stakeholders; to deliver entertainment through exciting events to drive fan experience; and to create innovative, impactful and sustainable development initiatives.

BWF has its headquarters in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, with 196 Member Associations worldwide.

Poul-Erik Høyer is the BWF President and Thomas Lund is the BWF Secretary General.

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