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BWF STATEMENT ON CHANGES TO TOURNAMENT STATUS

The Badminton World Federation (BWF) can confirm the US Open 2021 – a Super 300 tournament on the HSBC BWF World Tour – has been cancelled. The tournament was due to take place from 6-11 July 2021.

BWF also confirms the YONEX Canada Open 2021 has been cancelled. The BWF Tour Super 100 tournament was slated for 29 June to 4 July 2021.

The ongoing COVID-19 restrictions and complications left local organisers no choice but to cancel the tournaments.

The respective decisions of USA Badminton and Badminton Canada were made in consultation and agreement with the BWF.

This follows news that Badminton Asia has postponed its flagship event, the Badminton Asia Championships 2021.

The continental championship was to count towards the Race to Tokyo Rankings, but as it is not possible to reschedule the tournament within the Olympic Qualification period, the points will no longer be included.

As per the [Revised Olympic Qualification System for Tokyo 2020](#), no replacement tournament will be added.

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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.

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