



Regulations — Tbilisi Open 2025

25 – 27 April 2025 · Saburtalo Sports Arena

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1. Format of play

Tbilisi Open 2025 is played on 25 – 27 April 2025 at Saburtalo Sports Arena. Events are knockout draws; events with 12 or more junior entries start with round-robin groups whose top two advance, and events of eight or fewer entries may be played as a single round-robin.

A player may enter at most **3 events**. Events with fewer than four entries are cancelled or merged, and the fee is refunded in full.

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2. Scoring

Every match is the best of three games to 21 points, rally scoring. At 20-all the side that first leads by two points wins the game; at 29-all the side scoring the 30th point wins.

There is a 60-second interval when the leading side reaches 11 points and a two-minute interval between games.

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3. Shuttles

Feather shuttles are provided by the organizer from the quarter-finals; before that each side brings two approved feather shuttles.

The referee tests shuttle speed in the hall before play each day. Players may not change the shuttle without the umpire's agreement.

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4. Start times and order of play

Play starts at **09:30** each day; the hall opens at 08:30. The order of play is published two days before the tournament.

Times marked "not before" are the earliest a match can be called. Matches may be called up to 30 minutes early if courts are free.

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5. Dress code

Players wear sports clothing and non-marking indoor shoes. Doubles partners should wear shirts of a similar colour. Advertising on clothing follows the usual size limits.

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6. Late arrival

A player who is not on court 5 minutes after their match is called may be disqualified from the match by the referee, and the opponent is awarded a walkover.

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7. Withdrawals and refunds

Withdraw by **16 April 2025 at 23:59** for a full refund, less a 5 GEL administration fee. Until 18 April 2025 at 17:00 you receive 50%. After that no refund is made, except 80% on a medical certificate sent by 4 May 2025.

The federation levy is never refunded. If the tournament is cancelled by the organizer, every fee is refunded in full.

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8. Seeding

Seeds are taken from the ranking list of the event's discipline and age group published on 14 April 2025. Grade-split events are seeded from the Open list. Seeds are placed in fixed positions; everyone else is drawn by lot.

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9. Referee

The referee of Tbilisi Open 2025 is **Nikoloz Maisuradze**. The referee's decisions on the laws of badminton and these regulations are final on the day.

10. Conduct

The code of conduct applies to players, coaches, parents and spectators. Coaching is allowed between rallies from the coach's chair only. Misconduct can lead to a warning, a fault, or disqualification.

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11. Safeguarding of juniors

Every player under 18 needs a named parent or guardian contact. Birth dates and contact details of minors are never published, and players under 13 are not listed publicly. The safeguarding contact at the tournament is Maia Kurtanidze, +995 555 00 00 05.

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12. Protests and appeals

A protest is lodged in writing with the referee within 30 minutes of the end of the match concerned, with a 20 GEL deposit returned if the protest is upheld. Decisions on facts of play by an umpire cannot be appealed.

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13. Version history

Version	Date	Changes
1.2 (current)	16 April 2025 at 12:00	Order of play rules clarified: "not before" times and early calls.
1.1	5 March 2025 at 12:00	Daily start time and hall opening time confirmed. Shuttle speed for the hall confirmed after the test day.
1.0	18 January 2025 at 10:00	Initial version

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