

## Badminton Study Guide

The 4 main types of shots used in Badminton are:

1. Drive- Travels parallel to the ground and travels fast
2. Clear- Travels high in the air and should be hit to the back line of the court
3. Drop- Soft and short, finesse shot that barely clears the net
4. Smash- Aggressive and hit downward into the court, travels fast

Basic Rules of the Game:

1. Each game is played to 21 points, win by 2. Example 21-16 is a completed game
2. Games can be played up to 30, 30 is the cap, so at 29-29 next point wins the game. Example 30-29
3. To win a match you must win 2 games against your opponent

Serving Rules:

1. The serve must be hit underhand, below the waist and wrist of the serving player
2. The serve must be hit diagonal into the service box
3. The service box includes the side alleys, but not the back alley
4. The serve can only be returned by the player in the diagonal service box
5. The server only gets one attempt to get the serve in play
6. The serve may hit the net, which is a LET, if the serve appears to be going into the service box it will be in play and should be returned
7. If you have an even score, serve from the right, if odd serve from the left

Gameplay Rules and Etiquette:

1. Players should always be respectful of their opponents
2. Players are not allowed to contact the net with their racket or body
3. Players cannot reach over the net to hit the birdie
4. Lines are always in, so if it hits the line it counts

5. After the serve has been returned, the back alley is now a playable area
6. Front and back positioning in Doubles is considered an offensive formation
7. Side by side positioning in Doubles is considered a defensive formation
8. If you and your partner did not see if the birdie landed in the court, it should be considered in and the point should be awarded to your opponent
9. If someone interferes with your game, that point may be replayed, this is considered a LET
10. Points should never be replayed unless there was some form of interference. Example is number 5 on this list, if you and your partner did not see if the bird landed in. You would not replay this point, your opponent won the point
11. The serving player should always announce the current score of the game prior to serving the point
12. They should say the serving team's score first. Example 13 serving 11

### Boundary Lines in Badminton:

