



## **Oceania Technical Officials BWF Retirement Policy**

- ▶ Badminton Oceania will recognise Technical Officials when they retire as a BWF appointed Umpire or Referee.
- ▶ The definition of retirement for Technical Officials means that they no longer 'work' for the BWF in any capacity. If they go on to be an Assessor or other position for BWF, they will not be recognised until after that tenure is finished.
- ▶ If Technical Officials have a break between BWF appointments ie they retire as an Umpire and after a break take up another position as an Assessor or otherwise, they will not be re-recognised by Badminton Oceania when they retire from that secondary position.
- ▶ Appropriate recognition should include a certificate and a small gift.
- ▶ When these Technical Officials retire from all Officiating within their countries then it will be up to their country to recognise them appropriately. Badminton Oceania will not do anything else for them at this time.
- ▶ Recognition from Badminton Oceania of the Technical Officials retirement from a BWF officials' position does not preclude a country from recognising their BWF retirement if they wish.
- ▶ This policy as it pertains to BWF Referees and Umpires, is effective from January 2020 and will be effective for all BWF Umpires and Referees who retire from 2019 onwards. No backdating to recognise previous retiring BWF Umpires and Referees shall be considered.
- ▶ For a BWF Line Judge to be considered for recognition upon retirement, they must have met the following requirements:
  - Undertaken at least two terms as a BWF appointed Line Judge.
  - During each term, have undertaken at least one BWF appointment per year – if they have been given the opportunity to be appointed to a tournament. Consideration may be given if there have been extenuating circumstances for not being able to undertake an appointment given
  - Maintained an active level as an Oceania official while appointed as a BWF Line Judge
- ▶ This policy as it pertains to BWF Line Judges, is effective from March 2022 and will be effective for all BWF Line Judges who retire from 2022 onwards. No backdating to recognise previous retiring BWF Line Judges shall be considered.