

Shuttles Policy & Guidelines

Castle Hill RSL Badminton Club provides shuttles for every session of play it organises. The cost of the shuttles is included in the fee charged per player for a session.

Policy on Control of Shuttles

- The Duty Officer (DO) will be responsible for supplying shuttles for play in a session. The DO will determine how many tubes of shuttles will be made available per session.
- No player is allowed to take a new tube of shuttles from the DO's kit bag without the DO's knowledge or permission.
- It is not the players' right that a new shuttle must be made available to the players for every game. The DO will make available playable shuttles, whether used or new.
- No new shuttles should be used for warmups.
- Only one shuttle, new or used, is to be taken for a game. If it's damaged during the game, only an used shuttle, if available, should be taken to replace it.
- All shuttles must be returned to the DO after a game is completed, its condition notwithstanding, i.e. whether it is playable or not.
- Used shuttles provided for warm-ups must be returned to the DO so that they can be re-used by others.
- The Club practices reduction of wastage of playable shuttles by re-using shuttles until they are not playable.
- All Players must demonstrate good sportsmanship and should not refuse to play with playable used shuttles. They must cooperate with the DO.

Guideline on Shuttle Availability

- For sessions held at BadmintonWorx Bella Vista (BV) and Castle Hill High School (CHHS), the Club uses a guideline of one new shuttle per player per session.
- Sessions held at Baulkham Hill High School (BHHS) may or may not use the above guideline, as the Duty Officer (DO) manages shuttle usage.
- In reality, most players get to play with more than one new shuttle per session.
- For sessions with 24 players maximum (CHHS and BV), a minimum of two dozen new shuttles will be made available by the Duty Officer. For sessions with 32 players (BV), more than two dozen shuttles will be made available.
- At any one time the DO will have only one tube of new shuttles on the table. Once the new shuttles have been exhausted, players must play with used playable shuttles.
- The DO will assess the pattern of usage before providing a new tube of shuttles.

Guideline on use of shuttles

- For warmups, only used shuttles will be provided.
- At BV, players may wish to avail themselves of used shuttles from BV's discarded shuttles containers, located at each court.
- For other venues, players should request the DO for used shuttles.
- At the start of a session of play, the DO will use his discretion and provide new shuttles for play.

- During play, all players must look after the shuttles longevity i.e. smooth out the feathers, not thrash the shuttle when it is being handed over to the opposing team, etc.