

BADMINTON SHUTTLE CONTROL MANAGER

Employer	British Universities and Colleges Sport (BUCS)
Place of work	English Institute Sport Sheffield (EISS), Coleridge Road, Sheffield, S9 5DA
Main purpose of role	BUCS are seeking 1-2 Shuttle Control Managers to assist in the smooth running of BUCS Nationals - in particular the Badminton Individual Championships.

OVERVIEW

BUCS Nationals is returning to the City of Sheffield from the 13-15 February 2026. Taking place over four city centre venues over three days, we are expecting 4,300 student athletes to compete for BUCS titles over the six sports.

In addition to Badminton, the EISS will also host Indoor Athletics. Right next door at the newly opened Canon Medical Arena Fencing will take place. Swimming will once again return to its home at Ponds Forge, and Karate will also take place here. Climbers will be challenging their skills at The Climbing Works on Saturday.

PURPOSE

The purpose of Shuttle Control concerns shuttles both for the event and for practice and is led by the Shuttle Control Manager.

To cater mainly for differences in temperature, BUCS aims to ensure two speeds of shuttle are available.

The Tournament Referee (TR) will test and decide which speed of shuttles to start the tournament with, and a new test will be made before each day of play. The TR may delegate this duty to the Shuttle Control Manager if suitably qualified.

ROLE

The role in this event is designed for a current/past experienced player who appreciates the subtlety of speed/state of wear and tear/value (cost) of shuttlecocks, and issue of appropriate speed shuttles according to hall conditions.

The person appointed will be located in the main hall (12 courts across 3 sections) and also responsible for an 'arms length' supply of shuttles to a second 4-court hall (the blue hall).

The role holder will be supplied with a radio for contact with the tournament referee (at event control desk on the balcony of the main hall).

The role holder will be required to operate in continuous awareness of player needs/supply of shuttles without disruption to play on adjacent courts.

