



YONEX BELGIAN INTERNATIONAL

BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS

11-14/09/2024

International Challenge Tournament
Part of Badminton Europe Elite Circuit

Invitation form 2024



ELITE
CIRCUIT

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SCHEDULE

September	11th	09:00	Qualifying Rounds (max. 100 matches)
September	12th	09:00	Main tournament (1st and 2nd round)
September	13th	10:00	Quarter-Finals
		18:30	Semi Finals
September	14th	15:00	Finals

The final frame schedule shall be made at least 20 days before the start of the tournament and shall be published on the tournament's website.

KEY DATES

August, 13th 2024 (23:59 BWF HQ-time)
August, 13th 2024

August, 16th 2024
August, 20th 2024

August, 23rd 2024
September, 2nd 2024
September, 3rd 2024
September, 10th 2024 (18:30 CET time)

Entry deadline
World ranking date for M&Q report, qualifying draw seeding
Date for publication of M&Q-report
World ranking date for Main draw seeding/draw
Seeding
Last day for withdrawals without fine
Date for the draw
Team managers meeting (venue)



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VENUE

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Phone: +32 16 740 740
E-mail: info.philipssite@sportoase.be
Website: www.sportoase.be/nl/philipssite



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ENTRIES

All entries must be made by using the BWF Online Entry System.

<https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/tournament/0799DDE6-C1DA-4898-9F0A-3252F489C18C>

Entries must be submitted no later than Tuesday August 13th 2024 at 23.59 BWF HQ time (GMT +08.00). Players cannot be entered unless they already have a BWF ID-number. In case you wish to enter players who do not have a BWF ID- number, please contact the BWF office well in advance of the tournament, so that the players concerned can get a BWF ID- number before the closing date of the tournament.

In accordance with regulation § 9.2 and § 9.3 in BWF Statutes, Section 5.3.3.1: World Ranking System, an event must contain at least 8 (eight) competitors in the first published version of the main draw. If the required number of competitors is not met in the first published version of the main draw, this particular event shall not count towards any ranking, i.e. BEC Elite Circuit Ranking and BWF World Ranking.

In accordance with regulation § 9.4 in BWF Statutes, Section 5.3.3.1: World Ranking System, the first published version of the main draw of an event must contain at least 1 (one) entry from a Member other than the hosting Member. If an event does not contain at least 1 (one) entry from a Member other than the hosting Member, this particular event shall not count towards any ranking.

Badminton Europe is not liable for any costs incurred by third persons (players, coaches, umpires, team managers etc.) because of an event not having enough competitors to count for the rankings.

Compliance with GCR 7.9: "In making or authorising entries, the Member concerned is reconfirming its acceptance, and acceptance by the Players being entered, of the BWF's regulations and Disciplinary processes."

ENTRY DEADLINE

Tuesday, August, 13th 2024 at 23.59 BWF HQ time (GMT +08.00). No late entries will be accepted.

ENTRY FEES

Singles: 75 euro per player
Doubles: 65 euro per player per event

The Member that enters a player into a BEC Elite Circuit tournament is responsible for paying the entry fees for that player. The entry fees become due if a player is entered and has not been withdrawn when the entry deadline passes. The entry fees will not be refunded in the case of a withdrawal. For all the withdrawn players the organisers can invoice the entry fee to the relevant Member.

We urge that entry fees for all players are paid by the Member before August 30th 2024. The invoice for all players will be sent by e-mail on August 20th 2024. If no payment has been received, the invoice and original entry will be sent to Badminton Europe, no later than 2 months after the event. Every unpaid invoice for entry fees sent to Badminton Europe shall result in an additional administrative fine of 100,00 EUR for the Member who is addressed in the invoice.

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EVENTS

Men's Singles, Women's Singles, Men's Doubles, Women's Doubles, Mixed Doubles.

The number of players/pairs to be accepted for the main single events is 32, for the main double events 24.

ELIGIBILITY

Participation is open to players of any National Association recognized by the BWF.

SHUTTLES

YONEX AEROSENSA 50

COURTS

5 GERFLOR TARAFLEX COURTS

CLOTHING REGULATIONS

Colour, design, lettering and advertising on clothing shall be regulated by BWF General Competition Regulations § 20 to 24. Any breach of these regulations will be forwarded to BWF.

It is mandatory that partners in doubles wear the same colour of the T-shirt and shorts/skirts at all time during play in both the qualification and the main draw. Failing to do so shall result in an administrative fine of 100,00 EUR.

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PRIZE MONEY

€ 18.595,- (US\$ 20.000)

Official exchange rate (USD 1,00 = EUR 0.9252) of

12/03/2024 (date of issue of this invitation)



	MS	WS	MD	WD	MXD
WINNER	€ 1.485	€ 1.485	€ 1.670/pair	€ 1.670/pair	€ 1.670/pair
RUNNER UP	€ 890	€ 890	€ 1.115/pair	€ 1.115/pair	€ 1.115/pair
SEMI FINALISTS	€ 375	€ 375	€ 465/pair	€ 465/pair	€ 465/pair
QUARTER FINALISTS	€ 150	€ 150			

Prize money will be paid by bank transfer on the first working day after the tournament has finished to the players/pairs' provided bank account. An 18% domestic tax will be deducted. Any costs related to the bank transfer will be paid by the tournament organizer. If there is any specific information necessary regarding the bank account of transfer, it is the responsibility of the player/pair's to inform the organizer.

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WITHDRAWALS

Please ensure that the Organizer is informed immediately when a player has to withdraw, preferably together with the reason.

Attention: any withdrawal after the Monday immediately preceding the draw, for any reason whatsoever, renders the Member concerned liable to an amount of US\$ 150,00 for the inconvenience caused by the withdrawal (as defined in BWF General Competition Regulations).

NO SHOWS

Any player not showing up for a match at the tournament, without having been withdrawn in advance, renders the Member concerned liable to an additional amount of US\$ 500,00 for the inconvenience caused by the “no show” (as defined in BWF General Competition Regulations).

CANCELLATION

The organizing Member can cancel a tournament in case of force majeure. Such cancellation must be announced at least 15 days before the start of the tournament. If a cancellation is announced less than 15 days before the start of the tournament, then the Member organizing the tournament is liable for any expenses incurred by third persons (players, coaches, umpires, team managers etc.). Badminton Europe is not liable for any costs incurred by third persons because of a cancellation of a tournament. (article 3.4 in Badminton Europe Elite Circuit Regulations)

BADMINTON INTEGRITY

There will be betting on offer from this event.

Section 2.4 of the BWF Statutes (Code of The Prevention of The Manipulation of Competitions) relates to anti-corruption and anti-match manipulation, and this code applies to all participants at this tournament.

To protect the integrity of BWF sanctioned tournaments, participants are not allowed to bet in any way on badminton matches, shall respect the principle of fair play, and shall not attempt to influence the course or result of a game or match.

Every person has an obligation to report to the BWF any approaches by anyone to gather inside information or to change the outcome of a match(es).

For more information, please refer to BWF's website:

<https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-match-fixing-overview/>



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VISA

If you need Visa for Belgium, please fill out the Visa application form, no later than July 31 2024. Additional costs (courier, ...) will be put on the invoice and has to be paid by the Member.

The VISA application form can be found on our tournament website:

<https://www.yonexbelgianinternational.be/documenten/>



PRACTICE COURTS

On Tuesday September 10th 2024 practice courts (5) are available in the main hall from 18h00 till 21h45. Please fill in the document, available via this link: <https://www.yonexbelgianinternational.be/practice-court-yonex-belgian-international-2024/>

M&Q

World Ranking date used for M&Q Report: Tuesday, August 13th 2024.
M&Q Report Release date: Friday, August 16th 2024.

DRAW

Will be made by Badminton Europe on Tuesday September 3rd, 2024.
World Ranking date used for the Draw: Tuesday, August 27th 2024.

WEBSITE

<https://www.yonexbelgianinternational.be/>

CONDITION OF PLAY

The tournament will be played in full accordance with the Laws of Badminton (BWF statutes 4.1) and the Competition Regulations adopted by the BWF as well as the Badminton Europe Elite Circuit Regulations. Competitors must be prepared to play at the times determined for the events for which they have entered. Competitors will be scratched if not ready to play when called.

Players shall not plan their departure less than 2 (two) hours after their last match is planned to conclude. If a player is unable to compete due to early departure, he/she will be penalized by Forfeiture of rewards (removal of Elite Circuit ranking points and shall not be awarded prizes or prize money). Badminton Europe shall propose to BWF that the gained BWF ranking points are also removed. (article 9.5 in Badminton Europe Elite Circuit Regulations)

There is a warming-up court in a signposted room at the tournament venue.

MANAGERS MEETING

There will be a team managers meeting on Tuesday, September 10th 2024 at 18h30 in a signposted room at the tournament venue.



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ACCOMMODATION

To make a hotel reservation please use the hotel booking form which you can also find on the tournament website, and send this to accommodation@badmintonvlaanderen.be no later than August 18th 2024.

Note that the every hotel in Leuven is booked for this week, so it's very difficult to book a room on your own last minute. Please respect our deadlines so we can guarantee your room with our partner hotels.



PARK INN ***

By Radisson Leuven

Martelarenlaan 36
3010 Leuven
Tel: +32 (0)16 61 66 00
info.leuven@rezidorparkinn.com

	Single room	Double room
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09/09-11/09	€ 210/night	€ 235/night
12/09	€ 190/night	€ 210/night
13/09-14/09	€ 170/night	€ 195/night
15/09	€ 135/night	€ 165/night

The Standard Rooms offer ample space and the choice between double and twin beds. Stay connected with the free Wi-Fi while enjoying a hot drink from the in-room coffee and tea facilities. All rooms include a steam iron and ironing board for your convenience. Breakfast included.

Size: 21 m²

No cooking or heating food

Be aware that **cooking or heating food** (with gas fires or boiling water) inside the accommodation is **strictly forbidden** and will be punished with a **fine of €250**.

Payment Procedure

Rooms will be invoiced by badminton Vlaanderen prior to the event (e-mail). Payment must be done before arrival by the Member Association.

Limited vacancy

There is limited vacancy at hotels in Leuven in this week. There are no options left in these hotels or in other to book a room last minute. Please respect the deadlines so we can guarantee you a room.



IBIS BUDGET *

Leuven

Martelarenlaan 10
3010 Leuven
Tel.: +32 (0)16 47 98 80
H6682@accor.com

	Single room	Double room	Triple room
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09/09-12/09	€ 165/night	€ 185/night	€ 205/night
13/09-14/09	€ 130/night	€ 145/night	€ 165/night
15/09	€ 100/night	€ 115/night	€ 135/night

Room with 1, 2 or 3 single beds, bathroom with shower and separate toilet. Modern, fresh design, flat screen television with international channels and free WIFI. Breakfast Included

Size: 12 m²

Rooms with 3 beds are limited. First come, first served.



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TRANSPORT



LOCAL TRANSPORT

Provided by the organizer between the official hotels and the sports hall.

AIRPORT TRANSPORT

Provided by the organizer between the Brussels airports (BRU) and the official hotels. To make a transport reservation please use the form which you can find on the tournament website and send this to transport@badmintonvlaanderen.be no later than September 5th 2024. Passengers arriving at Brussels South Charleroi (CRL) must book a taxi service themselves, at their own expenses (e.g. [Flibco](#), [Taxi-Leuven](#)). It's recommended to book the taxi service in advance.

Brussels Airport (BRU)

Leopoldlaan
1930 Zaventem

FREE OF CHARGE

Brussels South Charleroi (CRL)

Rue des Frères Wright 8
6041 Charleroi

TAXI SERVICE

MEDICAL SERVICE

A physiotherapist will be present in the Sports hall during the tournament and is able to perform first aid.

DOPING CONTROL

According to Belgian law and the BWF statutes 2.3 drug testing may be carried out on a random basis at any time.

Doping control in badminton, in accordance with BWF Anti-Doping Regulations, is conducted out-of-competition and in-competition with the collection of urine and/or blood samples.

Athletes are responsible for any substance found in their body. Before an athlete takes any medication, they should check with their doctor, and if necessary, get a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE).

For more information about anti-doping, please visit the BWF website:

<https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-doping-overview/>

CLAIMS WAIVERING

The organizer declines responsibility and covering of costs for possible injuries or other damages. It is up to each participant to insure himself.

Member and/or Organiser may be liable for claims originating from the damages incurred by the participants and/or any other persons, arising from or in connection to the particular BEC Elite Circuit tournament, according to local Law. Badminton Europe is not liable for any such claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any nature whatsoever, including but not limited to injury or loss to person or property, arising out of or in any way related, directly or indirectly, to the particular BEC Elite Circuit tournament. It is recommended that Members and/or Organisers purchase a proper Insurance Policy that would cover their potential legal liability.

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Sportity

The organization will use the Sportity app for all one way communication at the event. Make sure that you have downloaded the app and are logged in the week for the event at last. You can use the password below (players and team managers will enter the same channel). Information such as transport schedules, practice court sessions, information about the tournament, venue or city and contact details will always be available and up to date in the application.

The organization assumes that all documentation posted in the app is considered read. The information in the app, together with mails, is therefore the official communication for the event. A push-notification will be send to everyone in the channel in case of new information or changes.



The banner features a purple and pink background with the Sportity logo in the top left. The text reads: 'For direct event information please download the Sportity app and insert this password: YBIPLA24'. Below the password, it says 'Sportity app is available in' followed by 'Available on the App Store' and 'Get it on Google play' with their respective logos. Two QR codes are provided for app discovery. The website 'www.sportity.com' is at the bottom left.

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CONTACTS

For all your questions, applications and requests, you can contact us via email

- Visa application - visa@badmintonvlaanderen.be
- Practice court request yonexbi@badmintonvlaanderen.be
- Hotel booking request - accommodation@badmintonvlaanderen.be
- Transport request - transport@badmintonvlaanderen.be
- Officials accreditation: please request via <https://www.yonexbelgianinternational.be/documenten/>

