

## Badminton Estonia

# YONEX Estonian International 2024



World Ranking and Badminton Europe Elite Circuit International  
Series Tournament  
Prize Money 5 000 USD



Tournament date January 11.-14., 2024  
Entries closing date December 12., 2023  
Official hotel reservation/arrival notice date December 19., 2023



## INVITATION

### Organizer

Badminton Estonia tournament website <https://badminton.ee/en/yei/>

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### The provisional time schedule

January 10 (Wednesday)	17:00- 21:00	Practice on competition courts
	20:00 21:00	Team manager briefing in the venue Umpires briefing in the venue
January 11 (Thursday)	09:00	Qualification – all rounds
January 12 (Friday)	09:00	Main draw – 1st and 2nd rounds
January 13 (Saturday)	10:00 16:00	Quarterfinals Semi-finals
January 14 (Sunday)	10:00	Finals Prize giving ceremony

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

**Please use practice courts reservation form** and send the filled form by **January 3rd, 2024** to the email addresses indicated in the form.

## Venue

Kalev Sports Hall (Juhkentali 12, Tallinn).

6 Yonex portable mats for tournament and 2 warm up courts and stringing service. An on-court doctor will be present in the venue during the tournament.

## Shuttles

Yonex AS-50

## Eligibility

Tournament is open for all badminton players who are eligible to play for BWF Members.

## Condition of play

The tournament will be played in full accordance with the Laws of Badminton and the General Competition Regulations adopted by the BWF as well as Badminton Europe's Elite Circuit Regulations. Competitors must be prepared to play at the time determined for the events for which they have entered.

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 shall be penalised 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.

## Events

Men's and women's singles, men's and women's doubles, and mixed doubles. The number of players/pairs to be accepted for the main single events is 32, for the main double events 32. The number of players in/from the qualification is subject to the final number of entries.

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.

## Entries

All entries must be made by using the BWF online entry system.

<https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/tournament/42819494-1E02-4A09-B56D-8AD8E39033D1>

Entries must be submitted not later than **Tuesday 12 December 2023 at 23:59 BWF HQ time (GMT +08:00)**.

All participants need to have the BWF-ID

<http://bwfcorporate.com/players/entries/>

Organizers are allowed to refuse entries if Members or their players have outstanding fees from a previous year.

Compliance with BWF 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 fee

Singles: 60€ per player

Doubles: 50€ per player/event

Entry fee payment should be made in advance by bank transfer, to the following account (no bank charges will be covered by the organizer).

The bank transfer information:

Account owner: Eesti Sulgpalliliit MTÜ  
Bank: Swedbank  
IBAN: EE072200221002100169  
BIC: HABAE2X

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.

### Draw

Draw will be made by Badminton Europe.

World ranking date used for M&Q report – **12 December 2023**

M&Q report release date - **15 December 2023**

World ranking date used for seeding and draws – **19 December 2023**

Draw date – **26 December 2023**

### Withdrawals

Please ensure that the organizer will be informed immediately when a player has to withdraw. Any withdrawal after the Monday immediately preceding the draw, for any reason whatsoever, renders the Member concerned liable to an amount of USD 150.00 for the inconvenience caused by the withdrawal.

Last day of withdrawal without penalty – **25 December 2023**

Any player not showing up 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).

### Practice

You can book practice courts in the venue for 10.01.2024 from 17:00 to 21:00 and 11.-13.01.2024 from 9:00-20:00.

**Please use practice courts reservation form** and send the filled form by **January 3rd, 2024** to the email addresses indicated in the form.

### Clothing and advertising

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.

In applying these regulations the decision of the referee shall be final.

### Prize money

Division of prize money 4 690€ = 5 000USD (currency from September 06th, 2023: 1USD = 0,9319 EUR)

	MS	WS	MD	WD	XD
Winner	470	470	560	560	560
Runner up	260	260	330	330	330
Semi-finalist	140	140			

The Organizer shall pay the prize money in cash in euros after the last match of the player.

Income tax will be deducted:

- Foreigner players 10%
- Estonian players 20%

### Official hotels

All hotels are 5-minute walk from venue.

#### **Radisson Blu Hotel Olümpia Tallinn**

33 Liivalaia street

Single room 94 EUR/night

Double room 100 EUR/night

Included in price: buffet breakfast; Club26 fitness centre (swimming pool, gym, sauna); internet.

Reservation link: [on tournament webpage](#)

#### **Ibis Tallinn Center**

28 Juhkentali street

Single room 71 EUR/night

Double room 81 EUR/night

Included in price: breakfast; internet.

Reservation link: [on tournament webpage](#)

#### **Mövenpick Tallinn Hotel**

12 Lembitu street

Single room 98 EUR/night

Double room 108 EUR/night

Included in price: breakfast; internet.

Reservation link: [on tournament webpage](#)

### Transport

Official point of arrival: Tallinn Airport.

Organizer provides transfer between the official point of arrival and the official hotels to those who have booked accommodation at the official hotel.

Please send arrival notice to e-mail [vei@badminton.ee](mailto:vei@badminton.ee) at the latest **December 19, 2023**.

## **Cancellation of the tournament**

3.4 The organising 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 organising 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

3.6 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

## **Visa**

Please find information about applying for a Schengen visa [here](#). Should you need a supporting letter from Badminton Estonia, please inform [yei@badminton.ee](mailto:yei@badminton.ee)  
Please allow yourself enough time to apply for a visa.

## **Insurance**

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

## **Doping control**

During the tournament 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/>

## **Badminton Integrity**

Section 2.4 of the BWF Statutes (Code on 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/>