

YONEX Estonian International 2020

INVITATION

World Ranking and Badminton Europe Circuit International Series Tournament

Tournament date January 9-12, 2020

Entries closing date December 10, 2019

Official hotel reservation/arrival notice date December 20, 2019



Organiser	Badminton Estonia, tournament website https://badminton.ee/yei/en/ Director - Ms. Renna Unt, info@badminton.ee Event coordinator - Ms. Kathy-Karmen Kale, phone no: +372 56492144, yei@badminton.ee																			
Referee	Mr. Michael Nemec (Austria), michael.nemec@outlook.com Deputy referee - Mr. Artur Zaluzhnõi (Estonia), artur.zaluzhnoi@gmail.com																			
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Eligibility	Tournament is open for all badminton players who are eligible to play for BWF Member Associations.																								
Entries	<p>All entries must be made by using the BWF online entry system.</p> <p>http://bwflive.tournamentsoftware.com/sport/tournament?id=6D70113B-5B61-4FE1-845D-BFC95C2D7747</p> <p>Entries must be submitted not later than Tuesday 10 December 2019 at 23:59 BWF HQ time (GMT +08:00).</p> <p>All participants need to have the BWF-ID http://bwfcorporate.com/players/entries/</p> <p>Organizers are allowed to refuse entries if Member Associations or their players have outstanding fees from a previous year.</p> <p>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."</p>																								
Entry fee	<p>Singles: 50€ per player</p> <p>Doubles: 40€ per player/event.</p> <p>Entry fee payment should be made in advance by bank transfer, to the following account (no bank charges will be covered by the organizer). Account owner: Eesti Sulgpalliliit MTÜ Bank: Swedbank IBAN: EE072200221002100169 BIC: HABAE2X</p> <p>The Member Association 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 The entry fees become due if a player is entered and has not been withdrawn when the entry deadline passes.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 For all the withdrawn players the organisers can invoice the entry fee to the relevant Member Association.</p>																								
Prize money	<p>Division of prize money 9095€ = 10 000USD (exchange rate from September 9th, 2019 → 1USD = 0.9051€)</p> <table><tr><td></td><td>MS</td><td>WS</td><td>MD</td><td>WD</td><td>XD</td></tr><tr><td>Winner</td><td>910</td><td>910</td><td>1090</td><td>1090</td><td>1090</td></tr><tr><td>Runner up</td><td>500</td><td>500</td><td>635</td><td>635</td><td>635</td></tr><tr><td>Semi-finalist</td><td>275</td><td>275</td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr></table> <p>The Organizer shall pay the prize money in cash in euros after the last match of the player.</p> <p>Income tax will be deducted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Foreigner players 10%- Estonian players 20%		MS	WS	MD	WD	XD	Winner	910	910	1090	1090	1090	Runner up	500	500	635	635	635	Semi-finalist	275	275			
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Venue	<p>Kalev Sports Hall (Juhkentali 12, Tallinn). Newly renovated venue in the city centre.</p> <p>6 Yonex portable mats for tournament and 2 warm up courts. Food and stringing service. An on-court doctor will be present in the venue during the tournament.</p>																								

Accommodation	<p>We offer a 5 star hotel with excellent price and walking distance from the venue</p> <p>Radisson Blu Sky Hotel 5*, address Rävala puiestee 3, Tallinn. https://www.radissonhotels.com/en-us/hotels/radisson-blu-tallinn</p> <p>Standard single room – 80€ night/room Standard double room – 85€ night/room Price includes buffet breakfast, Wifi, VAT, entry to fitness and health centre</p> <p>Hotel is located within 10 minutes walk to the hall.</p> <p>Please use hotel reservation form and send the filled form by December 20, 2019 to the email addresses indicated in the form. Please find the form on our tournament web-site www.badminton.ee/yei or ask by e-mail yei@badminton.ee. The payments are to be done to hotel upon receiving invoice.</p>
Transport	<p>Official point of arrival: Tallinn Airport.</p> <p>Organizer provides transfer between the airport and the official hotel to those who have booked accommodation at the official hotel.</p> <p>Please send travel details to e-mail yei@badminton.ee at the latest December 20, 2019.</p>
Condition of play	<p>The tournament will be played in full accordance with the Laws of Badminton and the Competition Regulations adopted by the BWF as well as the Badminton Europe's Elite Circuit Regulations. Competitors must be prepared to play at the time determined for the events for which they have entered.</p> <p>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 penalised by 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.</p>
Events	<p>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.</p> <p>It is required that every event has at least 8 competitors. If the required number of competitors is not met, this particular event shall not count towards any ranking.</p>
Key dates	<p>Draw will be made by Badminton Europe.</p> <p>World ranking date used for M&Q report – 10 December 2019 M&Q report release date - 13 December 2019 World ranking date used for seeding and draws – 17 December 2019 Draw date – 24 December 2019</p>

Withdrawals	<p>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 Association concerned liable to an amount of USD 150.00 for the inconvenience caused by the withdrawal.</p> <p>Last day of withdrawal without penalty – 23 December 2019</p> <p>Any player not showing up at the tournament, without having been withdrawn in advance, renders the Member Association 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).</p>
Clothing and advertising	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>
Visa	<p>Please find information about applying for a Schengen visa at http://vm.ee/en/applying-visa-schengen-area. Should you need a supporting letter from Badminton Estonia, please inform Ms. Kathy-Karmen Kale yei@badminton.ee</p> <p>Please allow yourself enough time to apply for a visa.</p>
Insurance	<p>The organizer declines responsibility and covering of costs for possible injuries or other damages. It is up to each participant to insure himself.</p> <p>Member Association 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 Member Associations and/or Organisers purchase a proper Insurance Policy that would cover their potential legal liability.</p>
Doping control	<p>During the tournament drug testing may be carried out on a random basis at any time.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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).</p> <p>For more information about anti-doping, please visit the BWF website: https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-doping-overview/</p>

Badminton Integrity	<p>Section 2.4 of the BWF Statutes (Code of Conduct in Relation to Betting, Wagering and Irregular Match Results) relates to anti-corruption and anti-match manipulation, and this code applies to all participants at this tournament.</p> <p>To protect the integrity of BWF sanctioned tournaments, participants are not allowed to bet in any way on badminton matches, respect the principle of fair play, and shall not attempt to influence the course or result of a game or match.</p> <p>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 matches.</p> <p>For more information, please refer to BWF's website: https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-match-fixing-overview/</p>
Force majeure	<p>The organising Member Association 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 Association 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.</p>