



**Badminton World Federation (BWF)  
Invites entries to**

## **TotalEnergies BWF Thomas & Uber Cup Finals 2024**

**27<sup>th</sup> April to 5<sup>th</sup> May 2024  
Chengdu, China**

**Organised on behalf of the BWF by  
Chinese Badminton Association**

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16 January 2024

**To: Members  
Continental Confederations**

**Subject: TotalEnergies BWF Thomas & Uber Cup Finals 2024, Chengdu**

**From: Selvaamresh Supramaniam  
BWF Deputy Events Director**

Dear Members,

The Badminton World Federation would like to invite you to compete in the TotalEnergies BWF Thomas & Uber Cup Finals 2024 (the World Men's and Women's Team Championships respectively) to be held from 27<sup>th</sup> April to 5<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at Hi-Tech Zone Sports Centre Gymnasium, Chengdu, China.

Kindly note the details of the tournaments provided below.

We look forward to welcoming the qualified teams including those from the Continental Team Championships 2024 to the TotalEnergies BWF Thomas & Uber Cup Finals 2024 in the city of Chengdu, China.

Kind regards

Selvaamresh Supramaniam  
BWF Deputy Events Director



<b>1. General Details</b>	
<b>Host</b>	<p><b>Chinese Badminton Association</b>            No. 20, Longtan Road, Dongcheng, Beijing 100061, China            T : +86 1067110225            E : <a href="mailto:cbatournament@cba.org.cn">cbatournament@cba.org.cn</a></p> <p><b>Local Organising Committee:</b>            No. 150, East Caotang Street, Qingyang District, Chengdu, Sichuan, China.            T : +86 28 87329760            E : <a href="mailto:chengdu_tuc2024@163.com">chengdu_tuc2024@163.com</a></p>
<b>Sanction</b>	<p>TotalEnergies BWF Thomas &amp; Uber Cup Finals 2024            Badminton World Federation (BWF): Grade 1 Tournament</p>
<b>Date of Championship</b>	<b>Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April to Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> May 2024 (9 Days of tournament)</b>
<b>Competition Venue</b>	<p><b>Hi-Tech Zone Sports Centre Gymnasium</b>            No.313, Jilong Road, Zhonghe Street, Shuangliu District,            Chengdu, Sichuan Province, China</p>
<b>Media Links</b>	To be announced.
<b>Tickets Information</b>	Please contact <a href="mailto:tk_tuc2024@163.com">tk_tuc2024@163.com</a> for ticket purchase.
<b>Referee Team</b>	<p><b>Referee:</b>            Girish Natu (IND) – Email: <a href="mailto:girishnatu@gmail.com">girishnatu@gmail.com</a></p> <p><b>Deputy Referees:</b>            Lynne Nixey (NZL) – Email: <a href="mailto:nixey4@yahoo.co.nz">nixey4@yahoo.co.nz</a>            Pencho Stoyanov (BUL) – Email: <a href="mailto:p.stoyanov63@gmail.com">p.stoyanov63@gmail.com</a>            Cleopatra Monco (ITA) – Email: <a href="mailto:cleopatramonco@badmintonitalia.net">cleopatramonco@badmintonitalia.net</a></p>
<b>On-Court Tournament Doctors</b>	<p><b>Doctors:</b>            Dr. Carmen Jahja (INA)            Dr. Anders Sundstrom (SWE)            Dr. Anastasia Septiani Sugiharta (INA)</p>



<p><b>Useful Contacts</b></p>	<p><b>General Tournament Information &amp; Accreditation Support</b>  E : <a href="mailto:chengdu_tuc2024@163.com">chengdu_tuc2024@163.com</a></p> <p><b>Transport Requests and Queries</b>  E : <a href="mailto:trans_tuc2024@163.com">trans_tuc2024@163.com</a></p> <p><b>Members/Teams/ Players' Visa Requests and Queries</b>  E : <a href="mailto:visa_tuc2024@163.com">visa_tuc2024@163.com</a></p> <p><b>Hotel Requests and Queries</b>  E : <a href="mailto:hotel_tuc2024@163.com">hotel_tuc2024@163.com</a></p> <p><b>Media Enquiries – Visa Support, Accommodation, Accreditation &amp; Equipment etc.</b>  E : <a href="mailto:media_tuc2024@163.com">media_tuc2024@163.com</a></p> <p>For any other information, please contact <a href="mailto:service_tuc2024@163.com">service_tuc2024@163.com</a></p>
<p><b>Insurance Coverage</b></p>	<p>Players and all members of the national delegation shall hold valid insurance for damages of any nature caused to third parties. Such insurance shall cover bodily injury, including medical and hospitalisation expenses incurred in the host country, as well as all expenses and costs associated to repatriating the injured party to its country of residence.</p>
<p><b>Indemnity</b></p>	<p>To the extent permitted by applicable law, all players and members of the national delegation shall release the BWF, the Tournament Organiser, and their respective officers, officials, employees, agents, and representatives, from any and all liability, damage, loss, cost, or expense that such players and members of the national delegation may incur as a result or in connection with their participation to the Tournament.</p>
<p><b>Participant Agreement for Use of Photographs and Videos</b></p>	<p>Players and all members of the national delegation shall agree to give the BWF and the Tournament Organiser full television and motion picture rights, including permission to film players and members of the national delegation during all matches and activities around the Tournament, for any commercial, news or other purpose together with the right to transfer such right, including without compensation.</p>



2. Entry Details								
<b>Regulations (Conditions of Play)</b>	<p>The TotalEnergies BWF Thomas &amp; Uber Cup Finals 2024 will be run in accordance with but not limited to,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <u>The Badminton World Federation (BWF) Statutes</u></li> <li>▪ <u>Section 5.1 - General Competition Regulations (GCR)</u></li> <li>▪ <u>Section 5.2.1 - BWF Major Events Tournament Regulations Table</u></li> </ul>							
<b>Clothing and Advertising Regulations</b>	<p>This tournament will strictly enforce the Clothing, Equipment and Advertising Regulations as outlined in the <a href="#">BWF Statute Section 5.1 - General Competition Regulations – Clause 20-24</a>. This includes the restrictions of certain colours for shirts, shorts, and skirts to avoid issues with virtual advertising on TV courts, as per GCR 21.7.</p> <p>BWF Statute <a href="#">Section 5.3.7</a> – World Men’s &amp; Women’s Team Championships (Thomas &amp; Uber Cup Finals):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Each player of the team must wear the same colour and design of players’ shirts, skirts and shorts or equivalent articles of clothing.</li> <li>• The opposing players must wear significantly different colours from each other.</li> <li>• The name of player and the Team that the player is from are MANDATORY on the back of the shirt.</li> </ul> <p>➤ <b>REMINDER:</b> If during the break(s) between games a player changes to a shirt that does not comply with the Competition Regulations, the player will be liable to penalties.</p> <p><b>TEAM CLOTHING SUBMISSION – DEADLINE 15 April 2024</b></p> <p><a href="https://form.jotform.com/233061634884459">https://form.jotform.com/233061634884459</a></p> <p>Please send pictures of the front and back of the shirt, short, skirt for each alternate clothing proposed to be used during the Championship.</p> <p><b>Please note that the online form is currently being disabled – it will open to be accessed after the conclusion of the Group Stage draw.</b></p>							
<b>Instant Review System</b>	<p>The Instant Review System (IRS) will be available on Court 1 and Court 2, and it is regulated as per <a href="#">BWF Statute Section 4.1.8</a> – Instant Review System.</p>							
<b>Entries and Key Dates</b>	<p>Each Member is entitled to take part subject to qualification, see Thomas &amp; Uber Cup regulations in the BWF Statutes <a href="#">Section 5.2.1 - Major Events Tournament Regulations</a> and <a href="#">Section 5.3.2 - Timelines for Tournaments</a> - the timelines for qualification outlined below:</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tbody> <tr> <td style="background-color: #002060; color: white;"><b>Qualifying Events</b></td> <td>Please see table below</td> <td>Upon the completion of the Continental Qualifying Stage, the results and names of Members in Ranking order shall be submitted to the BWF.</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="background-color: #002060; color: white;"><b>World Ranking Date</b></td> <td>Tuesday</td> <td>To determine the overall strength of the</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		<b>Qualifying Events</b>	Please see table below	Upon the completion of the Continental Qualifying Stage, the results and names of Members in Ranking order shall be submitted to the BWF.	<b>World Ranking Date</b>	Tuesday	To determine the overall strength of the
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		20 <sup>th</sup> February 2024	team based on total Ranking Points of the three highest ranked Single Players and two Double Pairs.
	<b>Participation Confirmation and Member Entry Closing Date</b>	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	The entry confirmation must be completed via the <a href="#">BWF Online Entry System</a> by 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2024 at 23:59 (+08:00 UTC).
	<b>Last Date to Withdraw without Penalty</b>	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	
	<b>Group Stage Draw</b>	Friday 22 March 2024	Will be conducted in Chengdu. Details will be updated later.
	<b>Team Manager Nomination Deadline</b>	Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	Online form submission: <a href="https://form.jotform.com/232685378521463">https://form.jotform.com/232685378521463</a> (form available after the Group Stage draw)
	<b>Team Nomination Deadline</b>	Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	
	<b>Team Clothing Submission Deadline</b>	Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	Online form submission: <a href="https://form.jotform.com/233061634884459">https://form.jotform.com/233061634884459</a> (form available after the Group Stage draw)
	<b>Pre-Tournament Practice Request Deadline</b>	Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	Online form submission: <a href="https://form.jotform.com/233061273865457">https://form.jotform.com/233061273865457</a> (form available after the Group Stage draw)
	<b>World Ranking date for deciding the ranking order of the singles and doubles Players</b>	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	

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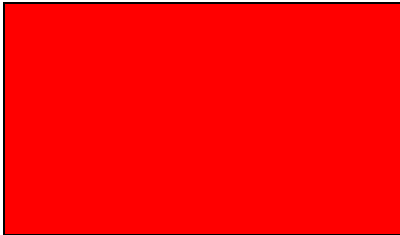
	<b>Teams Arrival Mandatory</b>	Forty-eight hours (48 hours) prior to the first scheduled tie – Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	Teams are also advised to plan their arrival in time for practice if they have made request for pre-tournament practice.
	<b>Gala Dinner</b>	Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> April 2024 Time: TBC (Evening)	InterContinental Century City Chengdu. All the participating teams must attend.
	<b>Team Managers' Meeting</b>	Friday, 10am 26 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	InterContinental Century City Chengdu.
	<b>World Ranking Date for Knockout Draw</b>	Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	
	<b>Knockout Draw</b>	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2024	After the last tie of the Group Stage for each Thomas Cup and Uber Cup.
<b>Key Dates - Logistics</b>	<b>Deadlines</b>	<b>What to Submit</b>	
	1 <sup>st</sup> April 2024	Accreditation Application	
	1 <sup>st</sup> April 2024	Visa Support Application  <b>Please contact Chinese Embassy or Consulate-general in the applicant's country to confirm if China Visa is needed, the entry requirements and duration needed to apply the visa from the respective country.</b>  <b>It is also important to note that the visa application process vary from country to country and make sure to submit the application well in advance.</b>	
	1 <sup>st</sup> April 2024	Accommodation Reservation  Payment must be made within 10 days after the reservation is made to secure the rooms.	
	5 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	Arrival Transport Request	

<b>Thomas &amp; Uber Cup Finals Qualifying Events</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>City</b>
	12 <sup>th</sup> to 15 <sup>th</sup> February 2024	All Africa Men's and Women's Team Championships 2024	Cairo, Egypt
	13 <sup>th</sup> to 18 <sup>th</sup> February 2024	Selangor Badminton Asia Team Championships 2024	Shah Alam, Malaysia
	14 <sup>th</sup> to 18 <sup>th</sup> February 2024	2024 European Men's and Women's Team Championships	Lodz, Poland
	15 <sup>th</sup> to 18 <sup>th</sup> February 2024	Badminton Pan Am M&F Cup 2024	Sao Paulo, Brazil
16 <sup>th</sup> to 18 <sup>th</sup> February 2024	VICTOR Oceania Men's and Women Team Championships 2024	Geelong, Australia	
<b>Competition Format</b>	The Thomas & Uber Cup Finals shall be contested by 16 teams for each cup.		
	<b>No. of Teams</b>	<b>Description / Continent</b>	
	One	Trophy holder	
	One	Host Member	
Fourteen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 4 Members - Semi-finalists Asia</li> <li>▪ 4 Members - Semi-finalists Europe</li> <li>▪ 1 Member - Winner from Africa</li> <li>▪ 1 Member - Winner from Oceania</li> <li>▪ 1 Member - Winner from Pan Am</li> <li>▪ 3 Members - Highest ranked teams based on the World Ranking but the Members that don't make up the above list.</li> <li>▪ *If the trophy holder and/or Host Member is taking part and occupy a qualifying position in its continental qualifying tournament, the next one or two highest ranked teams based on the World Rankings in the same continent will also be qualified – provided they are not from the list above.</li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The participating Members will be seeded based on the overall strength of the team.</li> <li>• The preliminary competition shall be played initially in a group format, followed by a knockout draw.</li> <li>• The sixteen Members (Teams) shall play in four groups of four, where all teams in a drawn group play each other. A final overall ranking order for each group shall be achieved, please refer to the diagram below.</li> </ul>			



	Group A	Group B	Group C	Group D						
	A1	B1	C1	D1						
	A2	B2	C2	D2						
	A3	B3	C3	D3						
	A4	B4	C4	D4						
<b>Participation Confirmation and Member Entry</b>	<p>The participation confirmation and the entry for the Thomas &amp; Uber Cup Finals must be done by the Member using the BWF Online Entry System, using the following link,</p> <p><b>TotalEnergies BWF THOMAS &amp; UBER CUP FINALS 2024 – ONLINE ENTRY SYSTEM:</b></p> <p><a href="https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/sport/tournament.aspx?id=6F316812-3674-4E44-B5A5-7770D9FFEAE3">https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/sport/tournament.aspx?id=6F316812-3674-4E44-B5A5-7770D9FFEAE3</a></p> <p><b>The deadline for confirmation of entry is Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> March 2024 at 23:59 (+08:00 UTC). Late entries will not be accepted.</b></p> <p><b>IMPORTANT NOTE:</b> Teams must submit the participation confirmation and entry on time. Otherwise, the team will not be able to submit the players nomination online.</p> <p>If the Member requires a username and password to access the system, please contact the BWF TUC Finals team by clicking <a href="#">HERE</a> to reach us.</p>									
<b>Team’s Players Nomination</b>	<p><b>TEAM NOMINATION</b></p> <p><a href="https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/sport/tournament.aspx?id=6F316812-3674-4E44-B5A5-7770D9FFEAE3">https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/sport/tournament.aspx?id=6F316812-3674-4E44-B5A5-7770D9FFEAE3</a></p> <p><b>The deadline for Team Nomination is Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 23:59 (+08:00 UTC). Late entries will not be accepted.</b></p> <p>If the Member requires a username and password to access the system, please click <a href="#">HERE</a> to email the BWF TUC Finals team.</p>									
<b>Draw Ceremony: Group Stage</b>	<p>The Group Stage Draw will be based on the World Ranking Date of Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> February 2024</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td><b>Date</b></td> <td>Friday, 22 March 2024</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Time</b></td> <td>15:00</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Venue</b></td> <td>City of Chengdu</td> </tr> </table>				<b>Date</b>	Friday, 22 March 2024	<b>Time</b>	15:00	<b>Venue</b>	City of Chengdu
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<b>Withdrawal</b>	<p>The following fee will be charged to the Member should they withdraw,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• USD 1,000 - After the entry deadline and before the draw</li> <li>• USD 3,000 - After the draw</li> <li>• USD 5,000 – Does not participate / No Show</li> </ul>									





Team withdrawing from the Competition after the draw has been made, shall immediately notify the BWF and render the team liable to any action decided by the BWF.

The withdrawal must be notified in writing and clearly stating in the email the reason for the withdrawal – please click [HERE](#) to email the BWF TUC Finals team.

### 3. Tournament Details

#### Competition Schedule

The outline schedule is shown in the table below.

The detailed schedule of play will be emailed to all participating Members after the conclusion of the draw, and it will be available on the BWF website.

Date	Day	Rounds	Session	Start Time	No. of Court(s)
27 <sup>th</sup> April 2024 Saturday	Day 1	Group Stage	Session 1	08:30	4
			Session 2	13:00	4
			Session 3	18:00	4
28 <sup>th</sup> April 2024 Sunday	Day 2	Group Stage	Session 1	08:30	4
			Session 2	13:00	4
			Session 3	18:00	4
29 <sup>th</sup> April 2024 Monday	Day 3	Group Stage	Session 1	09:30	4
			Session 2	17:00	4
30 <sup>th</sup> April 2024 Tuesday	Day 4	Group Stage	Session 1	09:30	4
			Session 2	17:00	4
1 <sup>st</sup> May 2024 Wednesday	Day 5	Group Stage	Session 1	09:30	4
			Knockout Draw: Uber Cup		
			Session 2	17:00	4
			Knockout Draw: Thomas Cup		
2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2024 Thursday	Day 6	Quarterfinals	Session 1	09:30	2
			Session 2	17:00	2
3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2024 Friday	Day 7	Quarterfinals	Session 1	09:30	2
			Session 2	17:00	2
4 <sup>th</sup> May 2024, Saturday	Day 8	Uber Cup Semifinals	Session 1	09:30	2
		Thomas Cup Semifinals	Session 2	17:00	2
5 <sup>th</sup> May 2024 Sunday	Day 9	Uber Cup Finals	Session 1	09:30	1
		Thomas Cup Finals	Session 2	18:00	1

Note: Start time of each session may change



### 3. Tournament Details

#### Team Composition

The team composition submission follows BWF Statutes [Section 5.2.1 - Major Events Tournaments Regulations Table](#) and [Section 5.3.2 - Time Lines for Tournaments](#) and look over to below headlines in the documents,

- Constitution of Ties and teams
- Nomination of teams
- Order of play
- Substitution

#### Team Composition Submission

- **Group Stage:** Four-hour prior to the time fixed for the tie or as decided by the referee.
- **Semifinals & Final:** Eight-hour prior to the time fixed for a tie in Semifinal and Finals or as decided by the referee.

Online team composition entry system will be made available. Login and password will be given at the Team Managers' meeting.

#### Draw Ceremony: Knockout

The Knockout Draw will be based on the World Ranking Date of Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024 – after the conclusion of the last tie for each Thomas and Uber Cup.

#### Knockout Draw: Uber Cup

<b>Date</b>	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2024
<b>Time</b>	TBC – after the last tie of the Uber Cup's Group Stage
<b>Location</b>	TBA

#### Knockout Draw: Thomas Cup

<b>Date</b>	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2024
<b>Time</b>	TBC – after the last tie of the Thomas Cup's Group Stage
<b>Location</b>	TBA

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#### Competition Equipment & Services

VICTOR is the equipment sponsor for the TotalEnergies BWF Thomas and Uber Cup Finals 2024 and the equipment is provided in accordance to BWF Statute [Section 5.3.4 - Specifications for International Standard Facilities](#).

The equipment that VICTOR provides are as follow,

Equipment	Where	Item Code	Note
Court Mat	FOP	C-7057Z L G	Court mat's colour: Green
	Warm Up	C-7057Z L G	
	Practice	C-7057Z G	
Nets	FOP, Warm Up & Practice	C-7004 W	
Net Posts	FOP, Warm Up & Practice	C-7069 E	
Shuttlecocks	FOP, Warm Up & Practice	VICTOR Master Ace  3 different speeds will be available	Each player will be allocated 3 free shuttlecocks for practice purposes.
Stringing Service	Location	F-2-2	
	Operating Hours	Follows competition hours	
	Cost	The service is free for VICTOR sponsored Players/Teams.  Non-VICTOR sponsored players/teams will have to pay a fee of USD 25 per racket, exclusive of the strings.	

BWF Approved Equipment:

- [Approved Shuttles](#)
- [Approved Flooring](#)
- [Approved Nets](#)
- [Approved Net Posts](#)



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#### Practice Facilities

Practice will be made available at least 48 hours before start of tournament i.e. on 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024. The exact time will be updated and shared after the draw has been done. The allocating of the practice will be subjected to the approval of the Referee.

#### Practice Courts in Practice Hall:

Location: **Hi-tech Zone Sports Centre Gymnasium**

- Number of courts: 12 during pre-tournament practice sessions, 8 during competition days as 4 courts will be set aside as warm up courts.
- Pre-tournament Practice: Each team will be allocated time on an equitable basis taking into account the number of players per team.
- During tournament Practice: Each team will be allocated practice time considering the requests made and the number of players per team. The allocation will be published on a day-to-day basis.
- Requests must be submitted on a day-to-day basis for the following day before 14:00 hours using the online Practice Request Form or an alternative method which will be updated during the team managers meeting.

#### Competition Courts in Main Arena:

Location: **Hi-Tech Zone Sports Centre Gymnasium**

- Number of courts: 4
- Pre-Tournament Practice in Main Arena: Each team will be allocated practice time on an equitable basis depending on the number of players in the team. Members may request preferred start time by completing the Practice Request Form.
- There will not be any practice on competition courts once the tournament starts. Teams are advised to manage their arrival time well to be in time for pre-tournament practice in the Main Arena.

#### PRE-TOURNAMENT PRACTICE REQUEST SUBMISSION

<https://form.jotform.com/233061273865457>

**The submission deadline is Monday 15 April 2024 at 23:59 (+08:00 UTC). Late entries will not be accepted.**

Please note that the online form is currently being disabled – it will open to be accessed after the conclusion of the Group Stage draw.

<b>Players Facilities &amp; Services</b>	<b>Players' Information Desk</b>	<b>Location</b>	1. Hotel Reception 2. Players Information Desk at the Stadium
		<b>Operating Hours</b>	8:30-20:00
		<b>Facilities Provided</b>	Transportation timetable Practice timetable
	<b>Players' Lounge</b>	<b>Location</b>	Room 1-1
		<b>Operating Hours</b>	Starts one hour before start of first match and ends half an hour after the last match of the day.
		<b>Facilities Provided</b>	Lounges 4 courts live scoring screens. 4 courts live streaming screens WiFi Refreshments and Snacks
	<b>Gym: at the Competition Venue</b>	<b>Location</b>	Room 1-1
		<b>Operating Hours</b>	Starts one hour before start of first match and ends half an hour after the last match of the day.
	<b>Physiotherapy Service</b>	<b>Location</b>	Room 1-1
		<b>Operating Hours</b>	Starts one hour before start of first match and ends half an hour after the last match of the day.
<b>Match Recording</b>	Information will be given during the Team Managers' Meeting or notice will be sent out prior to the teams arriving to Chengdu.		



## Team Managers' Meeting

The Team Managers' Meeting will be held at the following:

<b>Date</b>	26 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
<b>Time</b>	10:00
<b>Location</b>	InterContinental Century City Chengdu.

It is mandatory for all participating Members - represented by designated Team Manager - to attend the Team Managers' Meeting. Failing to attend the meeting, a Member will be penalised, in accordance with the [BWF Statute Section 2.5 - Table of Offences and Penalties](#).

Members are allowed to request representation by another Member, provided that the Tournament Referee is notified in advance and approves. All Members must report their arrival to the Referees team 48 hours before the start of their first tie, or unless otherwise agreed with the Referees team.

### **TEAM MANAGER NOMINATION FORM – Deadline 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

<https://form.jotform.com/232685378521463>

Please note that the online form is currently being disabled – it will open to be accessed after the conclusion of the Group Stage draw, from 22<sup>th</sup> March 2024 onwards.



<b>Technical Official Briefing – Umpires</b>	<b>Date</b>	26 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	
	<b>Time</b>	17:00	
	<b>Location</b>	InterContinental Century City Chengdu.	
<b>Technical Official Briefing – Line Judges</b>	<b>Date</b>	26 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	
	<b>Time</b>	18:00	
	<b>Location</b>	InterContinental Century City Chengdu.	
<b>Gala Dinner</b>	The Teams – players and team officials – are invited to attend the Welcome Dinner / Gala Dinner.		
	<b>Date</b>	Thursday, 25 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	
	<b>Time</b>	18:00 - 20:30	
	<b>Location</b>	InterContinental Century City Chengdu	
<b>Medal Ceremony</b>	<b>Medals</b>		
	The Medals will be given as per below table,		
	<b>Gold</b>	Winner	15 Gold Medals
	<b>Silver</b>	Runner up	15 Silver Medals
	<b>Bronze 1</b>	Losing Semi-finalist 1	15 Bronze Medals
	<b>Bronze 2</b>	Losing Semi-finalist 2	15 Bronze Medals
	The Medal ceremony will take place immediately after the conclusion of the Final tie for the Thomas Cup and the Final tie for the Uber Cup. It will be two separate medal ceremonies. Medals, sponsors' & host gifts will be presented to the Winner, Runner Up and both losing Semi-finalist teams.		
	In accordance with <a href="#">BWF Statute Section 5.3.6 - Player Commitment regulations</a> – players and team officials must follow the instructions given by the organisers regarding the ceremony protocol, including but not limited to wearing the correct style of clothing (e.g. tracksuit or uniform) and the correct way of entering/exiting the ceremony area.		
	No other equipment, including rackets, are allowed to be brought onto the podium.		
	Flags are allowed to be brought onto the podium at Grade 1 Team Tournaments, i.e., in this case the TotalEnergies BWF Thomas & Uber Cup Finals. When doing so, it can only be one flag and cannot obstruct or interfere with the receipt and/or display of any medals, trophies, or other prizes provided.		





## Accreditation

### ACCREDITATION APPLICATION REQUEST – Deadline 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024

Access to transport services and **Hi-Tech Zone Sports Centre Gymnasium** is provided through personalised and photographic accreditation, which will be strictly monitored throughout the Tournament.

The number of the complimentary accreditation passes available for Team Officials is dependent on the number of competing players from the same Member. The allowances are as follows:

Number of Member Players	Number of Team Officials Accreditations
One (1) to Twelve (12)	3
Thirteen (13) to Eighteen (18)	4
Nineteen (19) to Twenty (20)	5

**Up to 5 additional accreditations** for **ESSENTIAL** Team Officials will be available for purchase at a fee of USD 200.00 per pass, and it will be charged to the respective Member. The fee to replace lost and damaged accreditation pass will be at USD 200 per pass on each occasion and it will be charged to the respective Member as well.

Accreditation will be available for collection after check-in to the hotel. The accreditation shall be collected by the Team Manager **ONLY**. If the Member has incurred a charge for additional passes, this will be payable at this time – cash payment only.

The fraudulent use of accreditation is strictly prohibited, and will result in access rights being removed, penalties being applied.

For clarification on the accreditations, please contact the BWF TUC Finals team by clicking [HERE](#).

Tickets for the tournament can be purchased from the organiser, please contact [tk\\_tuc2024@163.com](mailto:tk_tuc2024@163.com) for details.

Please note that access to team seating on the FOP during playing ties are only for players and essential team officials. BWF has the right to approve access to this seating area.

## Medical Services

Medical and physiotherapy services will be available during the tournament, free of charge to players. Contact details will be provided upon arrival.

For any other medical support or emergencies, it is essential that the appropriate insurance is obtained prior to arrival in China, and follow the guidance provided in your policy.



<p><b>Anti-Doping</b></p>	<p>Doping control in badminton, in accordance with BWF Statutes Section 2.4 Code on the Prevention of the Manipulation of Competitions, Section 2.3 - <a href="#">BWF Anti-Doping Regulations</a>, 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). For more information about anti-doping, please visit the BWF website:</p> <p><a href="https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-doping-overview/">https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-doping-overview/</a></p>
<p><b>Badminton Integrity</b></p>	<p><a href="#">BWF Statute Section 2.4 - Code on the Prevention of the Manipulation of Competitions</a> - 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 match.</p> <p>For more information, please refer to BWF's website: <a href="https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-match-fixing-overview/">https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-match-fixing-overview/</a></p>
<p><b>Compliance</b></p>	<p>Compliance with BWF Statute Section 5.1 - General Competition Regulations - Clause 7.9:</p> <p><i>"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."</i></p>

<p><b>4. Travel, Visa, Transport &amp; Accommodation Details</b></p>	
<p><b>Arrival &amp; Departure Airport</b></p>	<p>Airport meet and greet will be extended to the Teams who booked their accommodation through the organiser.</p> <p><b>The arrival and departure airport</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Shuangliu International Airport.</b></li> <li>▪ <b>Tianfu International Airport</b></li> </ul> <p><b>NO TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENT WILL BE PROVIDED FROM ANY OTHER AIRPORT.</b></p> <p>Any enquiries on the arrival &amp; departure transport, please contact <a href="mailto:trans_tuc2024@163.com">trans_tuc2024@163.com</a> for assistance.</p>



#### 4. Travel, Visa, Transport & Accommodation Details

##### Visa Support Request

##### VISA SUPPORT REQUEST – 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024

Please allow 5 working days for a response.

The organiser will only communicate with the BWF’s Members and will only provide a visa letter of support if the form is completed accurately and comprehensively, which include the supporting documentation provided when requested.

The organiser accepts no responsibility for withdrawals or non-attendance made due to late or refused visa applications, and any letter of invitation does not guarantee entry into China or provide sponsorship of any kind – the final decision is made by China’s Visas and Immigration.

It is the responsibility of the Member, Organisation or individual to apply for the necessary visas in sufficient time, and all questions regarding visas should be directed to the Embassy in charge.

Any enquiries on the visa support request, please contact [visa\\_tuc2024@163.com](mailto:visa_tuc2024@163.com) for assistance.

##### Accommodation

##### ACCOMMODATION RESERVATION – Deadline 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024

All Teams must stay at the Official Hotel listed below and make complete reservation through the organiser at [hotel\\_tuc2024@163.com](mailto:hotel_tuc2024@163.com), who will also confirm payment requirements at time of booking confirmation.

Please note that complimentary transport is only available to those staying at the Official Hotel and such booking done through the host.

The rates include breakfast(s). Additional charges apply for lunch, dinner, and room service at the hotels.

The Official Hotels are as below,

<b>Teams / Players ONLY</b>	<b>Hotel</b>	InterContinental Century City Chengdu	
	<b>Address</b>	No. 198 Century City Boulevard, Gaoxin District, Chengdu China	
	<b>Website</b>	<a href="https://www.ihg.com.cn/intercontinental/hotels/gb/en/chengdu/ctuha/hoteldetail">https://www.ihg.com.cn/intercontinental/hotels/gb/en/chengdu/ctuha/hoteldetail</a>	
	<b>Rates</b>	USD 160.00	Single Room
		USD 160.00	Twin Room
<b>Gym</b>	Gym is available for guests staying at the hotel		

#### 4. Travel, Visa, Transport & Accommodation Details

##### Confirmation of Booking and Payment Details

- Please return the accommodation booking form not later than 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024.
- Payment link will be provided when team submits the accommodation reservation form.
- Full payment for the hotel reservation must be made not later than 10<sup>th</sup> April 2024. Reservation is not guaranteed when no payment is made.
- 50% refund will be granted for cancellation made before 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024
- Payment(s) made after 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024 – 100% cancellation fee applies.

Please contact [hotel\\_tuc2024@163.com](mailto:hotel_tuc2024@163.com) for any questions relating to Accommodation reservation.

##### Transport

##### ARRIVAL TRANSPORT REQUEST – Deadline 5<sup>th</sup> April 2024

##### Transport: Arrival and Departure

Complimentary transport will be provided to Teams that booked at the Official Hotels via the organiser.

- **Shuangliu International Airport.**
- **Tianfu International Airport**

All transport requests shall be made by completing the transport form.

For the Team(s) that choose not to stay at the Official Hotel, the Team(s) will have to arrange their own transport from/to airport and to the venue.

##### Transport: Throughout Competition

Regular transport service is provided between the Official Hotel, Intercontinental Century City Chengdu, and Competition Venue, Chengdu Hi-Tech Zone Sports Centre, throughout practice and competition times – timetables will be made available at the Information Desk.



## 5. Thomas & Uber Cup: The Trophies

### Thomas & Uber Cup

The Thomas Cup & Uber Cup is an exceptional piece of workmanship; it brings together elements of badminton and named after the persons behind the development of the tournament.

The **Thomas Cup** is the handsome prize awarded for the **World Men's Team Championships**. Its name honours Sir George Thomas, legendary Founder-President of the International Badminton Federation (now BWF), who was keen that badminton should have its own version of the Davis Cup in tennis.

The **World Women's Team Championships** was proposed in 1950 by England's great pre-War player Betty Uber (supported by New Zealand's Nancy Fleming), and eventually came into being in 1956-57. The trophy, whose name honours Betty Uber who donated and designed the trophy.

### ATA Carnet

The Thomas & Uber Cup travel with an ATA Carnet documentation – an ATA Carnet is like a passport for merchandise, and it is an international document that permits the tax-free and duty-free temporary admission of goods into multiple countries.

For the potential winner of Thomas & Uber Cup, please look over below list for the list of countries accepting ATA Carnet - <https://www.micci.com/Service.aspx?ServiceId=1>

### Logistics & Cost

The Thomas Cup's total weights with its flight case is 35 kilograms and its flight case measures 42 cm x 40 cm x 48 cm. While The Uber Cup's total weights with its flight case is 22 kilograms and its flight case measures 33 cm x 33 cm x 52 cm.

The costs to bring the Thomas & Uber Cup back to the winning country and return to the BWF will have to be borne by the winning Team.

For clarification on the logistics and costs for the Thomas & Uber Cup travel, please email us [HERE](#).

### Others

This is a reminder to all participants to keep the competition hall, practice hall and all venues of the tournament clean and to dispose off all personnel waste and trash after practice and competition.