





INVITATION

Polish International 2024 presented by VICTOR

Organized by

Polish Badminton Association & Host city Lublin

18th – 22nd September 2024

The event is part of the BEC Elite Circuit International Series Tournament and a World Ranking Tournament

OFFICIAL TOURNAMENT Information

www.PZBad.pl

BADMINTON EUROPE ELITE CIRCUIT

Regulations

1.Definition

1.1. All International Challenge, International Series and Future Series tournaments in Europe which are accepted by Badminton Europe and sanctioned by the Badminton World Federation (BWF) must be part of the Badminton Europe Confederation (BEC) Elite Circuit.

2.Description

2.1. The BEC Elite Circuit is a series of international tournaments open to all badminton players who are eligible to play for BWF Members. Players from European Members earn points for the BEC Elite Circuit Ranking according to the classification of the tournaments which is in accordance with the BWF World Ranking system.

2.2. BEC Elite Circuit tournaments are BWF World Ranking tournaments.

Conditions of play: The tournament will be played in full accordance with the laws of Badminton and the BWF General Competition Regulations adopted as well as the BEC Elite Circuit Regulations.







ORGANIZER

Polish Badminton Association Project coordinators: Ivetta Roczek e-mail: <u>events@pzbad.pl</u> phone: +48 22 595 24 45 website: <u>www.pzbad.pl</u>

KEY DATES

Entry deadline:	Tuesday, August 20, 2024 5:59 PM (GMT +02:00)		
World Ranking date for M&Q-report:	Tuesday, August 20, 2024		
Date for publication of M&Q-report:	Friday, August 23, 2024		
World Ranking date for seeding/draw:	Tuesday, August 27, 2024		
Withdrawal deadline:	Monday, September 9, 2024		
	11:59 PM (GMT +02:00)		
Date for the draw:	Tuesday, September 10, 2024		
Accommodation deadline	Friday, August 30, 2024		
Transport deadline	Tuesday, September 10, 2024		
Date, time and location for the team	Tuesday, September 17, 2024		
managers meeting:	8:00 PM (GMT +02:00) at the venue.		

No late entries will be accepted.

PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE

Day 1 Qualification Day 2 Qualification: final rounds all events + Main Draw:	R1 MS / WS / XD	Time: 9:00 – 21:00 Time: 9:00 – 21:00
Day 3 Main Draw: R1 MD / WD + R2 all events		Time: 9:00 – 21:00
Day 4 QF + SF	Tin	ne: QF 9:00 and SF 17:00
Day 5 Finals		Time: 10:00

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9. Conditions for tournaments and players taking part in the BEC Elite Circuit

The provisional schedule can change subject to the number of entries and subject to the approval of the referee and the Chair of the Badminton Europe Events Committee.







The final frame schedule (with the exact planned conclusion of all matches) shall be made at least 20 days before the start of the tournament and shall be published on the organizer's website. Such a final frame schedule cannot change unless special circumstances arise and the referee and the Chair of the Badminton Europe Events Committee approve such a change.

9.5. 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.

VENUE



Hall name: Sport Hall of Medical University in Lublin Address: Witolda Chodźki 15, 20-093 Lublin

REFEREES

Referee: Stephen Temple Contact: <u>stephen.temple0864@gmail.com</u>

Deputy Referee: Marek Krawczyk (*tbc*) Contact: <u>m.krawczyk@pzbad.pl</u>

FORMAT:

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 draw is 32 for Men's Singles, Women's Singles and 32 for Men's Doubles, Women's Doubles, Mixed Doubles.

System of the Competition: K.O. system according to the laws of badminton and BWF General Competition Regulations.

Eligibility: Participation is open to players of any national association recognized by the BWF.

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3.3. 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/E6C3AA7C-CDF5-42A6-ABE6-C694C178F8FF

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 receive a BWF ID-number before the closing date of the tournament.

No late entries will be accepted.

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

ENTRY FEES

- Singles: € 60,- per player
- Doubles: € 50,- per player/event

Payment requirements

The entry fees have to be transferred before **10 September 2024** following an invoice sent with all bank details included.

Account no: 38109010140000000135963276

IBAN: PL3810901014000000135963276

SWIFT: WBKPPLPP

Bank details Santander Bank Polska S.A.

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17. Entry fees

17.1. 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. It is recommended that the entry fees are paid by bank transfer, but the organisers can accept cash payment at tournaments.

17.2 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.

17.3 The invoice for entry fees must have a deadline for the payment and the information that if no payment has been received after the deadline has passed, the organisers will forward the invoice with the registration of deliverance and the copy of the original entry together with the original invoice to







Badminton Europe. All this must be done within 2 (two) months after the end of the tournament. Every unpaid invoice for entry fees sent to Badminton Europe by a tournament organiser following the above-mentioned procedure, shall result in an additional administrative fine of 100,00 EUR for the Member who is addressed in the invoice.

17.4 If a player/pair is listed on a "Reserve List", no entry fee is to be paid before being promoted to the Main Draw or Qualification draw. Before the withdrawal deadline has passed, a promotion from the "Reserve List" to the Main Draw or Qualification draw is obligated and will be done automatically, unless the respective player/pair has withdrawn from the "Reserve List" beforehand. After the withdrawal deadline has passed, the organisers must have such a promotion confirmed in writing by the Member/Members of the respective player/pair before it takes place. Only when this confirmation has been given, the player/pair is considered as an entry. (...)

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

WITHDRAWALS & NO SHOWS

Please be aware that the organizer and referee must be informed immediately when a player has to withdraw, preferably together with the reason.

22.1 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).

22.2 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).

	MS	WS	MD	WD	XD
Winner	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 600	\$ 600	\$ 600
Runner up	\$ 275	\$ 275	\$ 350	\$ 350	\$ 350
Semi-finalist	\$ 150	\$ 150			

PRIZE MONEY US\$ 5.000,00

For all players winning prize money, a 10% tax will be deducted.

The Organizer will pay the prize money in cash (USD). Prize money will be paid after each final has concluded (except from MS and WS semi-finalist – then after respective games).

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Shuttles: VICTOR Master ACE Courts: 5 courts VICTOR







VISA

Important for all players who need visa for Poland. Please request immediately from Polish Badminton Association an official INVITATION LETTER and apply as soon as possible, but not later till August, 30th e- mail: <u>events@pzbad.pl</u>

PRACTICE FACILITIES

Main Venue

Courts will be available in the evening of 17th September and before start of every tournament day.

The hall booking schedule will be published on September 13th 2024. Reservations can be done via *practice form* (attached) till 11th September 2024

POINT OF ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE

The organizer provides transfers to and from official hotels:

- Lublin airport free of charge
- Warsaw Chopin Airport paid services

TRANSPORT

- Transfers from Lublin Airport to official hotels and return transfers will be available according to shuttle bus schedule free of charge (available in Sportity app after 10th September)
- **One-way** transfer from Warsaw Chopin airport to Lublin (only official hotels):
 - 120 EUR /per 3 person car, one direction
 - 220 Euro/per 6 person car, one direction
- To order transfer request please fill the transport form (attached) till September, 10th
- All transfers will be confirmed by the tournament officer
- Shuttle buses between the **venue** and the **official hotels** will be provided free of charge. The shuttle bus will run according to a time schedule (available in Sportity app after 5th September)

ACCREDITATION

Accreditation will be available for all team members free of charge.







ACCOMMODATION



B&B HOTEL Lublin Centrum

Dolna 3 Maja 7, 20-079 Lublin, Poland

The B&B HOTEL Lublin Centrum will provide you with the top comfort in an excellent location in the city centre. The Old Town and the most important historical monuments are within easy reach, just a 15-minute walk from the hotel. The hotel is air-conditioned and with free WiFi. Breakfast is served from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. during the week, and from 6:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on weekends.

- Distance Official Hotel sport Venue 20 minutes' walk / 6 minutes by shuttle bus
- Distance Lublin airport Official Hotel 25 minutes by shuttle bus

Room type	Price per room / per night incl. taxes
Sgl room with breakfast	80 EUR
Twin room with breakfast	100 EUR

Please send your accommodation request via *accommodation form* (attached) no later than **30th August.**

Check in 14:00; check out time 12:00

In case of late check out penalty fee is 40 Euro

Payments should be done via bank transfer according to deadline confirmed at the pro forma invoice.

CLOTHING

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18.1 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.

18.2 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.







FORCE MAJEURE

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.

WAIVER

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 Member and/or Organisers purchase a proper Insurance Policy that would cover their potential legal liability.

DOPING CONTROL

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

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/







