



Invitation to compete in 2024 European Men's & Women's Team Championships To be organized on behalf of Badminton Europe by Polish Badminton Association

Dear Members

Badminton Europe would like to invite you to compete in the 2024 European Men's & Women's Team Championships to be held from 14-18 February 2024 in Łódź, Poland.

Badminton Europe and Polish Badminton Association invite all Badminton Europe Members to compete for the titles of European Men's & Women's Team Champions.

Key dates

- 19 December 2023 The draw of the group stage is conducted and published.
- 16 January 2024 Deadline for hotel bookings.
- 16 January 2024 Last day to apply for VISA.
- 16 January 2024 Deadline for accreditations.
- 30 January 2024 Deadline for transport bookings.
- 30 January 2024 Deadline for booking practice courts.
- 30 January 2024 Deadline for booking Meals.
- 6 February 2024 Closing date for player nominations. All nominations must be made online.
- 13 February 2024 Team Managers' Meeting – at 20.00 at hotel ambassador
- 16 February 2024 The draw of the final stage is conducted and published.



1. General Details

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| Organizer | <p>Polish Badminton Association</p> <p>Ul. Zgrupowania AK Kampinos 2</p> <p>01-943 Warszawa, Poland</p> <p>Phone: +48 22 59 52 444</p> <p>E-mail: hospitality@pzbad.pl</p> <p>Website: www.pzbad.pl</p> |
| Venue | <p>Sport Arena Łódź</p> <p>Aleja Unii Lubelskiej 2</p> <p>94-020 Łódź</p> <p>Poland</p> |
| Dates of Championships | <p>14 – 18 February 2024</p> |
| Organization contact | <p>Badminton Europe Confederation: events@badmintoneurope.com</p> <p>Polish Badminton Association: hospitality@pzbad.pl</p> |
| Tournament websites | <p>2024 EUROPEAN MEN'S & WOMEN'S TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS</p> |
| Referee Team | <p><u>Referee</u></p> <p>Pencho Stoynov (BUL)</p> <p>Email: p.stoynov63@gmail.com</p> <p><u>Deputy Referees</u></p> <p>Darko Ivan Vidaković (CRO)</p> |

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| | <p>Email: divix.blacky@gmail.com</p> <p>Tomasz Rogowski (POL)</p> <p>Email: trogowski19@gmail.com</p> |
| Committee of Management | <p>Jimmy Andersen (BEC), Niklas Pedersen (BEC), Rafal Glinicki (BEC), Ivetta Roczek (PZB), Michał Langer (PZB) and the Referee.</p> |
| Insurance | <p>Any medical treatment necessary away from the sports hall (e.g. at hotels or hospitalization due to serious illness or injury) is at the players or officials own expense.</p> <p>It is recommended that Members or individual participants cover these risks by medical insurance.</p> |

2. Entry Details

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| Regulations | <p>The Tournament will be played in accordance with the Badminton Europe regulations as laid down in Appendix III (Regulations for the European Men's & Women's Team Championships) and the Laws and Regulations as adopted by the Badminton World Federation.</p> |
| Eligibility | <p>All Badminton Europe Members are eligible to compete in the event.</p> <p>Each Member can enter a maximum of one male team and one female team.</p> <p>In this connection we draw your attention to the BWF Competition Regulations 6 on International Representation.</p> |
| Nomination of players | <p>Player nominations must be submitted no later than 6 February 2024.</p> <p>There will be sent a link for all participating members.</p> <p>Each competing Member shall nominate not fewer than four players and not more than twelve players per entered team.</p> <p>Only nominated players shall be permitted to play as selected players or substitutes. No additional players can be nominated after the deadline listed above.</p> |

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| | <p>All players nominated must be listed in order of singles strength. Players having a World Ranking position in BWF World Ranking of 6 February 2024 will automatically be ranked higher by the software, while the remaining players will be ranked as nominated by the association. This order cannot be changed at a later stage.</p> <p>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.”</p> |
| <p>Withdrawal</p> | <p>If a Member withdraws a team (or both teams) from the Championships, after the entry deadline, but before the draw, for any reason whatsoever, such a Member shall be liable of paying its entry fee and be penalized by an administrative fine of 1.500,00 EUR per team.</p> <p>If a Member withdraws a team (or both teams) from the Championships, after the draw is conducted, for any reason whatsoever, such a Member shall be liable of paying its entry fee and shall be penalized with a maximum fine of 5.000,00 EUR per team, following the procedure as defined per Badminton Europe Disciplinary and Dispute Resolution Regulations.</p> <p>If a Member withdraws a team (or both teams), qualified for the final stage, from the Championships, for any reason whatsoever, such a Member shall be liable of paying its entry fee and shall be penalised with a maximum fine of 20.000,00 EUR per team, following the procedure as defined per Badminton Europe Disciplinary and Dispute Resolution Regulations.</p> |

3. Tournament Details

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| Tournament office | All kind of information about the competition, accommodation, transport, etc. will be available at the tournament office, and at the welcome desk in the hotel. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Seeding | <p>Seeding was done in relations to the qualification, world ranking date used for seeding: 18 July 2023</p> <table> <tr> <td>Men's seeding:</td> <td>Women seeding:</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1 Denmark</td> <td>1 Denmark</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2 France</td> <td>2 Spain</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3 Germany</td> <td>3 Germany</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4 England</td> <td>4 France</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5 Netherlands</td> <td>5 Scotland</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6 Czech Republic</td> <td>6 Netherlands</td> </tr> <tr> <td>7 Poland</td> <td>7 Türkiye</td> </tr> <tr> <td>8 Ukraine</td> <td>8 Poland</td> </tr> </table> | Men's seeding: | Women seeding: | 1 Denmark | 1 Denmark | 2 France | 2 Spain | 3 Germany | 3 Germany | 4 England | 4 France | 5 Netherlands | 5 Scotland | 6 Czech Republic | 6 Netherlands | 7 Poland | 7 Türkiye | 8 Ukraine | 8 Poland |
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| Draw Date | The draw of the group stage will be conducted and published on 19 December 2023. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Format of matches | A team match will consist of 5 matches – 3 singles and 2 doubles. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Shuttles | YONEX AS-50 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Practice | An online practice booking form will be made available on the BEC event's website and should be done before 30 January 2024. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Accreditations | <p>In addition to the players' accreditations, complimentary accreditation badges will be issued to nominated team officials. Maximum 4 accreditations will be issued per entered team.</p> <p>Extra accreditations can be bought at a rate of 100€ each and can be paid on side by credit card (Mastercard, VISA)</p> <p>More information about accreditations will be made available on the event's website.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| | The deadline for accreditation requests is 16 January 2024. |
| Media enquiry | Please contact: media@pzbad.pl |
| Catering | <p>Lunch at the venue (2 courses lunch box) – available at the venue only after pre order from 13:00 till 15:00 - 20 Euro per person.</p> <p>Water, hot drinks will be provided by Organizing Committee in the refreshment area free of charge.</p> <p>Dinner at the hotel (buffet style, including standard drinks) Available at the hotel only after pre order from 20:30 till 22:00 – 30 Euro.</p> <p>Booking though: accommodation@pzbad.pl</p> <p>The deadline for meal orders is 30 January 2024.</p> <p>Payment must be done no later than 7 February 2024</p> |
| Stringing | Badminton Europe’s official event partner and equipment supplier, YONEX, will provide stringing service throughout the whole event. |
| Player’s lounge | A lounge fully dedicated to the players and the teams is available at the venue. |
| Physio facilities | Physio therapy services will be possible at the venue from 10 to 18 every day, at the rate of 90 Euro/hour. |
| Team managers Meetings | Team Managers meeting: Tuesday 13 February 2024 at 20.00 in the conference room at the Ambassador hotel |
| Technical Official briefing | Technical Official briefing: Tuesday 13 February 2024 at 21.00 in the conference room at the Novotel Centrum (the umpires hotel). |
| Clothing and advertising | <p>Clothing and advertising will be permitted in accordance with the regulations for European Men’s & Women’s Team Championships (Regulations 16-17).</p> <p>In team matches players must wear team colours. That is each player must wear the same colour and design of shirts and shorts (or other equivalent articles of clothing) throughout a tie.</p> <p>It is mandatory that the opposing teams in each tie wear different colours from each other. The team ranked lower on an overall ranking list produced and</p> |

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| | <p>announced by Badminton Europe in connection with the seeding will be required to wear clothing of a significant different colour.</p> <p>The name of the player's country on the back of the shirt is mandatory.</p> <p>The name of the player on the back of the shirt is optional.</p> <p>In applying regulations on clothing and designs and advertising on players' clothing the decision of the Referee shall be final.</p> |
| <p>Badminton Integrity</p> | <p>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.</p> <p>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.</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(es).</p> <p>For more information, please refer to BWF's website: Anti-Match Fixing</p> |
| <p>Doping control</p> | <p>Anti-doping testing may be carried out on a random basis at any time, as per BWF and WADA regulations.</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: Anti-Doping Overview</p> |

4. Travel & Visa Details

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| <p>Official point of arrival</p> | <p>Official Airport is Warszawa Airport Frederica Chopin</p> <p>Free transport will be provided by shuttle from this airport to the tournament venue/hotels if accommodation has been booked with the organization.</p> <p>Dedicated transportation will be additionally paid and organized only through prior request.</p> <p>The deadline for transport bookings is 30 January 2024,</p> <p>Transportation booking through: hospitality@pzbad.pl</p> |
| <p>Visa Application</p> | <p>It is the responsibility of any nation or player needing a visa to travel to Poland to make sure that visa applications are made not later than 16 January 2024.</p> <p>Send request for visa support letter: sekretariat@pzbad.pl</p> <p>Please copy: events@badmintoneurope.com</p> <p>Organizers are unable to send supporting letters at a late stage and Embassies are no longer prepared to issue "last minute" visas.</p> <p>The fact that visas cannot be obtained, will NOT be accepted as an excuse for a withdrawal.</p> |
| <p>Transport</p> | <p>Transportation between Venue, practice, and hotels will be by shuttlebus, if accommodation has been booked through organizers. Time schedule will be available on the event website.</p> <p>Official transportation is only possible if accommodation is booked through the organization.</p> <p>Booking through: hospitality@pzbad.pl</p> <p>Booking deadline 30 January 2024</p> |

Accommodation

Ambassador Premium Hotel****

Address: 145 Kilińskiego Str, 90-315 Łódź

Single room: 110 euro

Twin room: 150 euro

Triple room: 180 euro

Medical room (2 rooms suite: bedroom for 1 person, living room): 200 Euro
Prices per room, per night including breakfast and local taxes.

Booking deadline: 16 January 2024

Downpayment 60% till 20 January 2024

Full payment no later than 7 February 2024

Changes in reservation:

- Till 18 January 2024 – cancellation up to 30% of booking free of charge
- Till 29 January 2024 – cancellation up to 20% of booking free of charge

Cancellations after 29 January will be charged 100%

Reservation through: accommodation@pzb.pl using the form on the tournament website.