



Invitation to compete in 2024 European Championships

To be organized on behalf of Badminton Europe by Badminton Club Saarbrücken/Bischmisheim

Dear Members

Badminton Europe would like to invite you to compete in the 2024 European Championships to be held from 8 to 14 April 2024 in Saarbrücken, Germany. More information can be found in the attached invitation.

Key dates

- 20 February 2024 BWF World Ranking decides eligibility for participation
- 27 February 2024 Deadline for Members to confirm participation (1st phase)
- 4 March 2024 Deadline for Members to confirm participation (2nd phase)
- 7 March 2024 Deadline for Members to confirm participation (final)
- 8 March 2024 Wild card entries will be announced (if applicable)
- 8 March 2024 Last day to apply for VISA
- 8 March 2024 Deadline for booking hotels
- 12 March 2024 BWF World Ranking used for seeding
- 15 March 2024 The seeding will be announced
- 19 March 2024 The draw will be conducted and published
- 26 March 2024 Deadline for booking transport
- 26 March 2024 Deadline for booking practice courts
- 29 March 2024 Deadline for booking accreditation
- 7 April 2024 Team Managers' Meeting – at 17.00 in the tournament venue



1. General Details

Organizer	<p>Badminton Club Saarbrücken/Bischmisheim</p> <p>Hermann-Neuberger-Sportschule 7</p> <p>66123 Saarbrücken – Germany</p> <p>Phone: +49 06813879452</p> <p>E-mail: info@bc-bischmisheim.de</p> <p>Website: www.bc-bischmisheim.de</p>
Venue	<p>Saarlandhalle</p> <p>An der Saarlandhalle 1</p> <p>66113 Saarbrücken</p> <p>Germany</p>
Dates of Championships	<p>8 – 14 April 2024</p>
Organization contact	<p>Badminton Europe Confederation: events@badmintoneurope.com</p> <p>Badminton Club Saarbrücken/Bischmisheim: info@bc-bischmisheim.de</p>
Tournament websites	<p>2024 EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS</p>
Referee Team	<p><u>Referee</u></p> <p>Julien Nys (BEL)</p> <p>E-mail: julien@badmintonvlaanderen.be</p> <p><u>Deputy Referees</u></p> <p>Jean-Marc Chancerel (FRA)</p> <p>E-mail: jeanmarc.chancerel@gmail.com</p>

	<p>Daniel Sahlberg (SWE)</p> <p>E-mail: daniel.l.sahlberg@gmail.com</p>
Committee of Management	<p>Jimmy Andersen (BEC), Niklas Pedersen (BEC), Kathy-Karmen Kale (BEC), Frank Liedke (BCSB), Janine Göbbel (BCSB), Carsten Koch (BCSB) 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

Regulations	<p>The Tournament will be played in accordance with the Badminton Europe regulations as laid down in Appendix I (Regulations for European Championships) and the Laws and Regulations as adopted by the Badminton World Federation.</p> <p>Regulations can be found here</p> <p>The European Championships will be played as a knockout competition.</p>
Entry fee	<p>Euro 30, - per player in singles</p> <p>Euro 50, - per pair in doubles</p> <p>The entry fees are payable after receipt of the invoice.</p>
Entries	<p>Badminton Europe will conduct the entry using the following timetable:</p> <p>27 February 2024 – Deadline for Members to confirm whether or not eligible players/pairs will enter.</p> <p>4 March 2024 – Deadline for Members to confirm whether or not 2nd phase players/pairs will enter.</p> <p>7 March 2024 – Final deadline for Members to confirm entries.</p>

	<p>8 March 2024 – Badminton Europe will announce Wild Card entries (if applicable).</p> <p>The eligible players/pairs will be determined by Badminton Europe as per the regulations for the European Championships, therefore there will be no entry form as such.</p>
Eligibility Date	The BWF World Ranking list of 20 February 2024 shall be used for deciding eligibility for the European Championships.
Eligibility	<p>The BWF World Ranking list of the “Eligibility Date” shall be used to allocate places in the European Championships.</p> <p>Regulations 3.2.3 to 3.2.6 in Badminton Europe’s “Appendix A: European Championships” shall be considered in turn until a total of 40 players in each of the singles events and 28 doubles pairs in each of the doubles events are allocated, or the entries have been exhausted.</p>

3. Tournament Details

Seeding Date	The seeding will be announced on 15 March 2024 using the BWF World Ranking list published on 12 March 2024 .
Draw Date	The draw will be conducted and published on Tuesday 19 March 2024 .
Shuttles	YONEX AS-50
Courts	YONEX court mats
Practice	An online practice booking form will be made available on the BEC event’s website and should be done before 26 March 2024 .
Stringing	Badminton Europe’s official event partner and equipment supplier, YONEX, will provide stringing service throughout the whole event.

Team managers Meetings	The Team Managers' Meeting will be held on 7 April 2024 - 5pm at the Venue. All participating Members must be present at the meeting.																	
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Technical Official briefing	The Technical Official briefing will be held on 8 April 2024 - 10am at the venue.																	
Medal ceremonies	All medals will be presented on Sunday 14 April 2024 after the respective finals. All medalists are required to be present at the medal ceremonies.																	
Media enquiry	Please contact: info@em-badminton.de and t.fuchs@em-badminton.de																	
Catering	It will be possible to buy a pasta dish for lunch and dinner at the venue, there will be both meat and vegetarian option.																	
Physio facilities	Physio therapy services will be possible at the venue during play.																	
Accreditations	<p>In addition to the players' accreditations, max 5 complimentary accreditation badges will be issued to team officials.</p> <p>Additional accreditations for approved team officials will be available for purchase at a fee of € 100,00 each, charged to the respective Member and payable at the tournament.</p> <p>An accreditation form will be made available on the event website.</p>																	

	<p>Accreditation requests need to be sent to info@em-badminton.de no later than 29 March 2024.</p>
<p>Clothing and advertising</p>	<p>Clothing and advertising will be permitted in accordance with the regulations of the Confederation as laid down in Appendix I (Regulations for European Championships).</p> <p>In singles matches it is mandatory that, from the quarter finals onwards, the opposing players in each match wear different colours from each other. The player ranked lower on the BWF World Ranking used for the seeding will be required to wear clothing of a significant different colour. Where both players have the same or no ranking, the player listed lower in the draw will be required to change the colour of clothing.</p> <p>In doubles matches it is mandatory for doubles partners to wear the same colour.</p> <p>In doubles matches it is mandatory that, from the quarter finals onwards, the opposing pairs in each match wear different colours from each other. The pair ranked lower on the BWF World Ranking used for the seeding will be required to wear clothing of a significant different colour. Where both pairs have the same or no ranking, the player listed lower in the draw will be required to change the colour of clothing.</p> <p>It is mandatory that the name of the player shall appear on the back of the shirt. It is mandatory that the name of the player's Member/country shall appear on the back of the shirt.</p> <p>The Referee is instructed to pay particular attention to uphold these regulations on clothing. In applying regulations on clothing and designs and advertising on players' clothing the decision of the Referee shall be final.</p> <p>Advertising on players' clothing must comply with the existing BWF Regulations.</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>

Doping Control	<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>
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4. Travel & Visa Details

Official point of arrival	<p>Luxembourg Airport</p> <p>Shuttle bus will be available Luxembourg Airport (LUX) and the official hotels at two fixed times each on the day of arrival and departure. Transport between Frankfurt am Main Airport (FRA) and the official hotels will be by train. The train station at Frankfurt Airport is located directly below the airport. The event hotels are within walking distance of Saarbrücken train station.</p>
Visa Application	<p>It is the responsibility of any nation or player needing a visa to travel to Germany to make sure that visa applications are made not later than 8 March 2024.</p> <p>Send request for visa support letter: info@em-badminton.de</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>
Transport	<p>Transport to/from the airport can be booked through form: shuttleservice@em-badminton.de</p> <p>Deadline: 26 March 2024</p>
Accommodation	<p>Mercure City</p> <p>Address: Hafenstraße 8, Saarbrücken Single room: 117 Euro</p>

Double room: 146 Euro

Hotel am Triller

Address: Trillerweg 57, Saarbrücken

Single room: 107 Euro

Double room: 129 Euro

Prices per room, per night including breakfast

In the case of lack of vacancy, an adequate hotel will be offered.

A hotel booking form will be available at the event website.

Booking deadline/Cancellation deadline: **8 March 2024**

Enquiries/bookings to hotel@em-badminton.de

Payment: The hotel will send a confirmation to the respective teams or players with the request for reconfirmation and a deposit payment of 100% up to 3 weeks before arrival.

In case of no-show and late cancellation, 90 % of the room rate for all rooms and the entire stay will be charged.