



Invitation to compete in 2024 European U15 Championships To be organized on behalf of Badminton Europe by POLISH BADMINTON ASSOCIATION

Dear Members

Badminton Europe and SKB Suwałki would like to invite you to compete in the 2024 European U15 Championships to be held from 11 to 14 September 2024 in Suwalki, Poland. More information can be found in the attached invitation.

Key dates

- 1 August 2024 Last day to apply for VISA.
- 13 August 2024 Deadline for entries for the European U15 Championships.
- 13 August 2024 Deadline for hotel bookings.
- 20 August 2024 The seeding is published.
- 20 August 2024 The draw is conducted and published.
- 25 August 2024 Deadline for transport bookings.
- 25 August 2024 Deadline for accreditations.
- 27 August 2024 Deadline for booking practice courts.
- 31 August 2024 Deadline for meal orders
- 10 September 2024 Team Managers' Meeting at 20.00





1. General Details

Organizer	Polish Badminton Association Ul. Zgrupowania AK Kampinos 2 01-943 Warszawa – Poland Local organizer: SKB Suwałki , ul. Zarzecze 26, 16-400 Suwałki Phone: +48 662 196 126; +48 791 809 315 E-mail: info@ecu15.com Website: https://www.ecu15.com/
Venue	Suwałki Arena ul. Zarzecze 26 16-400 Suwalki Poland
Dates of Championships	11 – 14 September 2024
Organization contact	Badminton Europe Confederation: events@badmintoneurope.com SKB Suwałki Polish Badminton Association: info@ecu15.com
Tournament websites	2024 EUROPEAN U15 CHAMPIONSHIPS LOCAL WEBSITE FOR 2024 EUROPEAN U15CHAMPIONSHIPS
Referee Team	<u>Referee</u> TBC <u>Deputy Referee</u> Tomasz Rogowski (POL) - trogowski19@gmail.com



Committee of Management	Niklas Pedersen (BEC), Kathy-Karmen Kale (BEC), Jerzy Dołhan (LOC), Michał Sobolewski (LOC) and the Referee.
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 X (Regulations for the European U15 Championships) and the Laws and Regulations as adopted by the Badminton World Federation.</p> <p>Regulations can be found here</p> <p>The European U15 Championships will be played as a knockout competition.</p>
Entry fee	<p>The entry fees are payable after receipt of the invoice.</p> <p>To be decided on ADM and will be updated on 30 May 2024.</p>
Entries	<p>Entries must be made online no later than 13 August 2024 at 23.59 CEST via the link below:</p> <p>https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/tournament/E765D24A-BE95-47D3-9B64-F2E924AE8C64</p> <p>Entries can only be submitted in accordance with “Eligibility” as listed below. Any submitted entries not in accordance with this section will be removed and not included into the event.</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>

<p>Eligibility</p>	<p>All Badminton Europe Members are eligible to compete in the event.</p> <p>Members are allowed to enter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 players in men's singles 2 players in women's singles 4 players (or up to 2 pairs) in men's doubles 4 players (or up to 2 pairs) in women's doubles 4 players (or up to 2 pairs) in mixed doubles <p>The hosting Member is entitled to enter one extra player in each of the single events and two extra players in each of the doubles events.</p> <p>Players are allowed to enter in the 3 events.</p> <p>Participants in the 2024 European U15 Championships shall be restricted to players born in 2010 or later.</p>
<p>Substitution</p>	<p>After the closing date for entries, a player who has entered may be unable to take part through illness, injury, or other unavoidable cause.</p> <p>That player's place in singles or doubles or both can be taken by a player from any Member as long as that Member does not exceed the quota of players for that specific event.</p>

3. Tournament Details

<p>Seeding Date</p>	<p>Seeding shall be done by Badminton Europe and will be based on a point system.</p> <p>Points will be awarded based on results of a selection of Europe U15 tournaments played within a year preceding the European U15 Championships and based on ranking positions in the BEC European U17 Ranking.</p> <p>The seeding will be announced on 20 August 2024.</p>
<p>Draw Date</p>	<p>The draw will be conducted and published on 20 August 2024.</p>
<p>Shuttles</p>	<p>YONEX AS-50</p>
<p>Courts</p>	<p>YONEX court mats</p>

Practice	An online practice booking form will be made available on the on the event website and on Sportity app and should be done before 3 September 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 10 September 2024 - 8pm at the Venue. All participating Members must be present at the meeting.
Provisional schedule	<p>Wednesday 11 September: Round of 128 and Round of 64 (from 9h) Thursday 12 September: Round of 64 and Round of 32 (from 9h) Friday 13 September: Round of 32, Round of 16 and Quarter Finals (from 9h) Saturday 14 September: Semi Finals and Finals (from 9h)</p> <p>Please note that this is only a provisional schedule. If possible, we will try to play only the finals on 14/09. The final schedule will be published shortly after the entry deadline.</p>
Technical Official briefing	The Technical Official briefing will be held on 10 September 2024 – 9pm at the venue.
Medal ceremonies	All medals will be presented on Sunday 14 September 2024 after the respective finals. All medalists are required to be present at the medal ceremonies.
Media enquiry	Please contact: media@ecu15.com
Catering	Lunch and dinner will be served in the hall. Cost of lunch and dinner is 15 €. Lunch will be served as a warm dish (also vegetarian). Dinner will be served as a cold buffet (also vegetarian) and as warm meal (also vegetarian). All meals need to be reserved before 31 August 2024 by filling the catering form, that is available on our website. Invoice for meals must be paid before 2 September 2024
Physio facilities	Physiotherapy services will be possible at the venue during play for 15€ a visit. There is also possibility to use reboot pants 10€ for 30 minutes.



<p>Accreditations</p>	<p>In addition to the players' accreditations, max 3 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 €50,00 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@ecu15.com no later than 25 August 2024.</p>
<p>Clothing and advertising</p>	<p>Clothing and advertising will be permitted in accordance with the regulations of Badminton Europe's Appendix X – "European U15 Championships", regulations 11 and 12.</p> <p>The name of the player on the back of the shirt is optional. (if used, please note that it must comply with BWF rules)</p> <p>The name of the player's country on the back is optional. (if used, please note that it must comply with BWF rules)</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>
<p>Safeguarding policy</p>	<p>Badminton Europe Confederation (BEC) recognizes its responsibility to safeguard and promote the welfare of Vulnerable People participating in the 2024 European U15 Championships and is committed to ensuring safeguarding practice reflects statutory responsibilities and complies with best practice.</p> <p>In particular, BEC is committed to working to provide a safe environment for all Vulnerable People to participate in its 2024 European U15 Championships to the best of their abilities. The safeguarding policy recognizes that the welfare and interests of Vulnerable People are paramount in all circumstances. It aims to ensure that regardless of age, ability or disability, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sex or sexual orientation, socio-economic background, all Vulnerable People are protected from abuse whilst participating in activities organised by BEC, its Members or partner organisations.</p> <p>As part of its safeguarding commitment, BEC will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ensure that appropriate action is taken in the event of incidents/concerns and support provided to the individual/s who raise or disclose concern • ensure that it maintains and stores securely all confidential, detailed and accurate records of all safeguarding concerns provided to or created by BEC <p>Any incident/concern can be reported to Kathy-Karmen Kale, Welfare Officer for the 2024 European U15 Championships (kathykarmen.kale@badmintoneurope.com, +45 24 84 28 70)</p>

4. Travel & Visa Details

Official point of arrival	Kaunas Airport and Vilnius Airport Shuttle bus will be available between Kaunas Airport (LTU) and Vilnius Airport (LTU) and the official hotels.
Transport	Transport to/from the airport can be booked through form: info@ecu15.com Deadline: 25 August 2024
Visa Application	<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 as soon as possible and not later than 1 August 2024.</p> <p>Send request for visa support letter: sekretariat@pzbud.pl</p> <p>Please copy: events@badmintoneurope.com & info@ecu15.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>
Accommodation	<p><u>Hotel Loft</u> ****</p> <p>16-400 Suwałki ul. Pułaskiego 24K Single room: <u>80 Euro</u> Double room: <u>100 Euro</u> Triple room: <u>115 Euro</u></p> <p><u>Hotel Szyszko</u> ***</p> <p>16-400 Suwałki ul. Innowacyjna 3 Single room: <u>75 Euro</u> Double room: <u>95 Euro</u></p> <p><u>Hotel Velvet</u> ***</p> <p>16-400 Suwałki ul. Kościuszki 128 Single room: <u>75 Euro</u> Double room: <u>95 Euro</u></p> <p>Prices per room, per night including breakfast</p>



A hotel booking form will be available at the event website.
Booking deadline/Cancellation deadline: **13 August 2024**

Enquiries/bookings to info@ecu15.com

Payment: all payments have to be paid via Organizer. The organizer has the right to change the hotel due to high occupancy. Invoice for the accommodation will be sent after booking deadline and must be paid before 2 September 2024