

## **Badminton Finland**

# **YONEX Finnish International 2024**

World Ranking and Badminton Europe Elite Circuit Future Series Tournament Prize Money 4 500 USD

Tournament date April 25.-28.2024 Entries closing date March 26.2024 Official hotel reservation/arrival notice date March 18.2024

## **INVITATION**



**Organizer** Badminton Finland tournament website <u>www.sulkapallo.fi</u>

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The provisional time schedule

April 24 (Wednesday)	17:00- 21:00	Practice on competition courts
	20:00 21:00	Team manager briefing in the venue Umpires briefing in the venue
April 25 (Thursday)	09:00	Qualification – all rounds
April 26 (Friday)	09:00	Main draw – 1st and 2nd rounds
April 27 (Saturday)	10:00 16:00	Quarterfinals Semi-finals
April 28 (Sunday)	11:00	Finals Prize giving ceremony

The final frame schedule shall be made at least 20 days before the start of the tournament and shall be published on the organizer's website.

Please use practice courts reservation form and send the filled form by April 15th, 2024 to the email addresses indicated in the form.



## Venue

Vantaa Energia Areena (Rajatorpantie 23, 01600 Vantaa).

6 YONEX portable mats for tournament and 2 warm up courts and stringing service. An oncourt doctor will be present in the venue during the tournament.

## Shuttles

YONEX AS-50

## **Eligibility**

Tournament is open for all badminton players who are eligible to play for BWF Members.

## **Condition of play**

The tournament will be played in full accordance with the Laws of Badminton and the General Competition Regulations adopted by the BWF as well as Badminton Europe's Elite Circuit Regulations. Competitors must be prepared to play at the time determined for the events for which they have entered.

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.

## **Events**

Men's and women's singles, men's and women's doubles, and mixed doubles. The number of players/pairs to be accepted for the main single events is 32, for the main double events 32. The number of players in/from the qualification is subject to the final number of entries.

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/FBE8BDBA-1436-4AA5-9DD0-0815E9E189DC

Entries must be submitted not later than **Tuesday 26 March 2024 at 23:59 BWF HQ time** (GMT +08:00).

All participants need to have the BWF-ID <a href="http://bwfcorporate.com/players/entries/">http://bwfcorporate.com/players/entries/</a>

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

Compliance with BWF 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."



Entry fee Singles: 60€ per player

Doubles: 50€ per player/event

Entry fee payment should be made in advance by bank transfer, to the following account (no bank charges will be covered by the organizer). The bank transfer information:

Account owner: Suomen Sulkapalloliitto ry Bank: Nordea IBAN: FI4814543000102205 BIC: NDEAFIHH

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. 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.

#### Draw

Draw will be made by Badminton Europe. World ranking date used for M&Q report – Tuesday 26 March 2024 M&Q report release date – Friday 29 March 2024 World ranking date used for seeding and draws – Tuesday 2 April 2024 Draw date – Tuesday 9 April 2024

#### Withdrawals

Please ensure that the organizer will be informed immediately when a player has to withdraw. Any withdrawal after the Monday immediately preceding the draw, for any reason whatsoever, renders the Member concerned liable to an amount of USD 150.00 for the inconvenience caused by the withdrawal.

Last day of withdrawal without penalty – Monday 8 April 2024

Any player not showing up 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).

## **Practice**

You can book practice courts in the venue for 24.04.2024 from 17:00 to 21:00 and 25.4.-27.04.2024 from 9:00-20:00.

Please use practice courts reservation form and send the filled form by April 15th, 2024 to the email addresses indicated in the form.

#### **Clothing and advertising**

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. 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.

In applying these regulations the decision of the referee shall be final.



## **Prize money**

Division of prize money 4  $131,23 \in 4$  500USD (currency from January 22nd, 2024: 1USD = 0,9181EUR)

	MS	WS	MD	WD	XD
Winner	900	900	900	900	900

The Organizer shall pay the prize money in cash in euros after the last match of the player. Income tax will be deducted 15%.

## **Official hotel**

## **Pilot Airport Hotel**

Veromäentie 1, Vantaa

Single room 107 EUR/night Twin room 125 EUR/night Triple room 140 EUR/night Quad room 160 EUR/night

pre ordered meals lunch/dinner: 17 EUR / person

Included in price: buffet breakfast; airport transportation; fast free wifi. Bookings to: <u>sales@airporthotelshelsinki.com</u> and cc to <u>johannes.jaaskelainen@airporthotelskyline.fi</u>

## Transport

Official point of arrival: Helsinki-Vantaa airport

Organizer provides transfer between the official point of arrival and the official hotel to those who have booked accommodation at the official hotel.

Please send arrival notice to e-mail toimisto@sulkapallo.fi at the latest April 15, 2024.



## **Cancellation of the tournament**

3.4 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

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

#### Visa

Please find information about applying for a Schengen visa <u>here.</u> Should you need a supporting letter from Badminton Finland, please inform <u>toimisto@sulkapallo.fi</u> Please allow yourself enough time to apply for a visa.

#### Insurance

The organizer declines responsibility and covering of costs for possible injuries or other damages. It is up to each participant to insure himself.

## **Doping control**

During the tournament drug testing may be carried out on a random basis at any time.

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