



Czech
Badminton



YONEX Czech Open 2023

Part of the Badminton Europe Elite Circuit 2023 International Series
Tournament

19th October – 22nd October 2023

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EVENTS

Men's and women's singles, men's and women's doubles, and mixed doubles.

The Championships will comprise of the following number of entries in the main tournament:

Men's Singles (MS) 32

Women's Singles (WS) 32

Men's Doubles (MD) 24

Women's Doubles (WD) 24

Mixed Doubles (XD) 24

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.

COURTS

5 courts Yonex, all green color

SHUTTLES

Yonex – AS 50

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| PROVISIONAL | Wednesday October 18 th | 15:00 Training |
| SCHEDULE | Thursday October 19 th | 09:00 Qualification |
| | Friday October 20 th | 09:00 Main Draw |
| | Saturday October 21 st | 10:00 Quarterfinals |
| | | 16:00 Semifinals |
| | Sunday October 22 nd | 10:00 Finals |

Training will be available in the tournament hall on Wednesdays from 15h. The schedule will be published on the tournament website. For booking courts please send e-mail to: info@praguetournaments.eu (country + time + number of courts).

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

TEAM MANAGERS MEETING Wednesday October 18th 20:30
Meeting point:

ENTRIES All entries must be made through BWF Online Entry System

Entry deadline: Tue Sep 19 5:59 PM (GMT +02:00)

Withdrawal deadline: Mon Oct 2 11:59 PM (GMT +02:00)

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 get 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 authorising entries, the Member concerned is reconfirming its acceptance, and acceptance by the Players being entered, of the BWF's regulations and Disciplinary processes."

ELIGIBILITY Participation in the Czech Open 2022 is open to members of any National Association recognized by the BWF and any currently registered member of the Czech Badminton Federation.

Following entries are not acceptable:

1. received after the closing date
2. made on an individual basis

ENTRY FEES

EUR 60,- in singles and EUR 100,- per pair in doubles

PAYMENT

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 organizers can accept cash payment at tournaments.

PAYMENT: Payment for entry fees needs to be done before 6th of October 2022 and we will send out invoices to each association in connection with the final approval of entry list. The entry fees will not be refunded in the case of a withdrawal. For all the withdrawn players the organizers can invoice the entry fee to the relevant Member. If no payment has been received after the deadline has passed the organizers will forward the invoice with the registration of deliverance and the copy of the original entry together with the original invoice to BADMINTON EUROPE. Every unpaid invoice for entry fees sent to BADMINTON EUROPE by a tournament organizer 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.

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.

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

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| VISA | <p>If you need Visa please ask the Czech Badminton Federation info@czechbadminton.cz for the official invitation letter. Please send visa request as soon as possible.</p> |
| BANK DETAILS | <p>Český badmintonový svaz, z.s. Bank: Česká spořitelna IBAN: CZ30 0800 0000 0063 1494 4319 BIC: GIBACZPX</p> |
| WITHDRAWALS | <p>Please ensure that the organizer will be informed immediately when a player has to withdraw, preferably together with the reason.</p> <p>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).</p> <p>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).</p> |
| CEREMONIES | <p>Players are not allowed to wear hats or caps during the presentation ceremonies. Rackets may not be carried during presentations. Tracksuits, or clothing as worn during play, will be allowed. No other form of advertising will be permitted. This regulation will be strictly enforced by our stewards prior to each ceremony. In each discipline, the players in third place will be announced after the semi-final matches have been played. After the final match, the first and second place will be announced.</p> |
| CONDITIONS OF PLAY | <p>The tournament will be played in full accordance with the laws of badminton and the BWF General Competition Regulations as well as the BEC Elite Circuit Regulations.</p> <p>Competitors must be prepared to play at the time determined for the events for which they have entered. Competitors will be scratched if not ready to play when called. 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.</p> |

(Regulation 9.5 in Badminton Europe's Circuit Instructions)

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.

BADMINTON INTEGRITY

Section 2.4 of the BWF Statutes (Code of Conduct in Relation to Betting, Wagering and Irregular Match Results) 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, 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 matches.

For more information, please refer to BWF's website:

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

INSURANCE

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

DOPING CONTROL

Doping tests can be executed.

Doping control in badminton, in accordance with BWF AntiDoping 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).

Doping control can also be carried out by the Anti-Doping Committee of the Czech Republic (AVCR)

For more information about anti-doping, please visit the BWF website: <https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/antidoping-overview/>.

KEY DATES

- Entry deadline: Tue Sep 19, 11:59 PM (GMT +01:00)
- World Ranking date for M&Q-report: Tue Sep 19
- Date for M&Q-report: Fri Sep 22
- World Ranking date for seeding/draw: Tue Sep 26
- Withdrawal deadline: Mon Oct 2 11:59 PM (GMT +01:00)
- Date for the draw: Tue Oct 3
- Date and time for team managers meeting: Wed Oct 18, 8:30 PM

MEDIA

All journalists who want to visit the tournament must ask in advance for accreditation by October 13, e-mail: info@pragueturnaments.eu

BADGES

Entry to the arena for players and officials will be controlled by colour coded name badges. Badges will be issued to all nominated players on arrival to the venue.

TRAVEL

Competitors from abroad are requested to inform the transport manager at info@pragueturnaments.eu of type and time of arrival, flight no., with all necessary details. Transportation (pick up): Will be provided as a courtesy from Airport Prague to the official hotels only. All transports must be pre-booked via info@pragueturnaments.eu latest 13 October 2023 in order to guarantee transport.

SHUTTLE TRANSPORT

Transport between the venue and the official tournament hotels will be arranged. The shuttle bus will run according to a time schedule.

LUNCH AND DINNER

It will be possible to buy lunch and dinner in the restaurants of the official hotels. Snacks and hot meals will also be provided in the

hall throughout the duration of the tournament for players and visitors.

HOTELS

Accommodation in the official hotels must be booked no later than September 23, 2023.

Accommodation must be booked by e-mail. Details are below in "Accommodation".

Please note that there is a limited capacity within each hotel and reservations will be handled on the basis of first come, first served. Your booking e-mail will be answered with confirmations and information about accommodation payment (Invoice issued of Czech Badminton Federation).

PRIZE MONEY

5.000 US \$, International Series Tournament

| | MS | WS | MD/pair | WD/pair | XD/pair |
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| Winner | 500 | 500 | 600 | 600 | 600 |
| Runner-up | 275 | 275 | 350 | 350 | 350 |
| Semi-finalist | 150 | 150 | | | |

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

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.

COVID-19

Please be aware that the tournament takes place during the current pandemic situation with COVID-19. The conditions for hosting the tournament, as well as hygiene, sanitary and preventive measures will be those determined by the Czech authorities at all times. If the Czech authorities require it, each participant may have to deliver a responsible declaration before participating in the tournament.

Should the event be cancelled with short notice by the Czech authorities, due to the COVID-19 situation, beyond the control of both Badminton Europe and the Czech Badminton Federation, neither of them will be liable for any costs related to travelling or accommodation made by players/officials for this event. Each member must ensure that it is allowed to enter Czech Republic in the current circumstances. It is strongly recommended that all participants book flight tickets with a cancellation insurance and followed the current regulations.