

Copenhagen January 2020

TO MEMBER ASSOCIATIONS of Badminton World Federation

INVITATION

LI-NING DENMARK CHALLENGE 2020

**International Challenge Tournament
part of Badminton Europe Elite Circuit**

PLAYED IN FARUM MAY 7th - 10th 2020

ORGANISER **Værløse Badminton**

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PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE	May 6 th	20:00*	Team managers meeting (appr) in the VIP-lounge at the venue.
	May 7 th :	09:00	Qualifications (start dep on entries)
	May 8 th :	09:00	Main Draw Round 1 & 2
	May 9 th :	09:30	Quarterfinals
		15:30	Semifinals
	May 10 th :	10:00	Finals

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.

VENUE Farum Arena, Stavnsholtvej 43, 3520 Farum, Denmark.

Practice facilities will be available in the main hall before tournament start on Wednesday 6th of May from 6 PM – 10 PM. There will also be practicing in the arena, but not in the main hall, throughout the tournament. Final information about booking of practice facilities and transport for this purpose will be available on the tournament website from April 20th

EVENTS Men's and Women's Singles,
Men's and Women's Doubles and Mixed Doubles
Number of players/pairs accepted for the main draw: Singles 32 and Doubles 24.

It is required that every event in a particular BEC Circuit tournament has at least 8 competitors (i.e. actual competitors, not merely entries). If the required number of competitors is not met, this particular event shall not count towards any ranking. In accordance with regulation 9.4 in BWF Statutes, Section 5.3.3.1: World Ranking System, the first published main draw of an event must contain at least one entry from a Member Association other than the hosting Association. If an event does not contain at least one entry from a Member Association other than the hosting Association, 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.

ELIGIBLE PLAYERS

All players of clubs affiliated through their National Associations to the BADMINTON WORLD FEDERATION

SHUTTLES

Li-Ning A+ 300

COURTS

5 Taraflex Courts

ENTRIES

All entries must be made by using the BWF Online Entry System:

<https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/sport/tournament?id=07A4E664-C8F8-4B57-A803-4A8EC3983187>

Entries must be submitted no later than Tuesday April 7th 2020 at 23.59 BWF HQ-time (17.59 CET)

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."

VISA

If you need Visa for Denmark please contact the office by mail info@li-ning-dc.dk and ask for the official invitation letter. It is advised to arrange the Visa in time.

ENTRY FEES

Singles: € 60.- per player Doubles: € 50.- per player/event

The Member Association 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.

Entry Fees must be made by bank transfer to the following Account:

Bank: Nordea, DK-2300 København S
IBAN DK0720004396760199
SWIFT NDEADKKK

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 Association. 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.

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 association/associations of the respective player/pair before it takes place. Only when this confirmation has been given, the player/pair is considered as an entry.

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

No alteration, except withdrawal, can be made to the entries after the close of entries in accordance with BWF General Competition Regulations 7.10.

Any withdrawal after the Monday immediately preceding the draw, for any reason whatsoever, renders the Member Association concerned liable to an amount of US\$ 150 for the inconvenience caused by the withdrawal (as defined in BWF General Competition Regulations).

Any player not showing up at the tournament, without having been withdrawn in advance, renders the Member Association 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).

REFEREE

Ilkka Vainio (FIN), vainioilk@gmail.com

DRAW

The draw will be done by Badminton Europe.

KEY DATES

Entry deadline: April 7th 2020 23:59 BWF HQ-time

World Ranking date for M&Q-report: April 7th 2020

Date for publication of M&Q-report: April 10th 2020

World Ranking date for seeding/draw: April 14th 2020

Last day for withdrawals without fine: April 20th 2020

Date for the draw: April 21st 2020

PRIZE MONEY

US \$ 25.000,- = € 22.760 Euro

Official exchange rate (USD 1,00 = EUR 0,9073) of 28.1.2020 (date of issue of this invitation)

AMOUNT €	MS	WS	MD	WD	XD
Winner	1815	1815	2045	2045	2045
Runner up	1090	1090	1365	1365	1365
Semi-finalist	455	455	570	570	570
Quarter-finalist	185	185			

The prize money will be paid out in cash. No taxes will be deducted.

CONDITIONS OF PLAY

The tournament will be played in full accordance with the Laws of Badminton and General Competition Regulations as adopted by the BWF as well as the Badminton Europe Elite Circuit Regulations.

In the events of any dispute, the Referee's decision shall be final.

Competitors must be prepared to play at the times quoted in the order of play for the events for which they have entered.

Competitors will be scratched if not ready to play when called.

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.

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 will be penalised by 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.

The organizing Member Association 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 Association organizing 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.

DOPING CONTROL

May be carried out by the Danish Sports Confederation.

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:

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

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-match-fixing-overview/>

ACCOMMO- DATION

Official tournament hotel:

Scandic Hotel Glostrup
Roskildevej 550
2605 Brøndby

Type of rooms and prices (breakfast included):

Single (S): 825 DKK/night,
Double (D): 925 DKK/night

Deadline for reservation is April 14th. For reservation after this date, available rooms can not be guaranteed.

All reservations and payments must be made at the tournament website www.li-ning-dc.dk/hotel-reservation.html. In case of withdrawing from the tournament, hotel payments for rooms on the tournament hotel will be refunded.

TRANSPORT

Official point of arrival is Copenhagen Airport (CPH) from where transport will be provided for free for participants staying at the official hotel (Scandic Hotel Glostrup) reserved through the tournament webpage.

Transport from and to the airport by arrival and departure must be reserved at the tournament website www.li-ning-dc.dk/airport-transfer.html. Reservation of transport must be made at the same time as the hotel reservation. Arrival time and flightnr. will be considered as final by the transport organizer, whereas the departure time will be considered only as preliminary and is permitted to change during the tournament.

INSURANCE

Member Association 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 Member Associations and/or Organisers purchase a proper Insurance Policy that would cover their potential legal liability.