

Invitation to

FZ FORZA FINNISH JUNIOR 2022

Part of Badminton Europe Junior Circuit 2022
Junior International Series tournament

DATES OF TOURNAMENT

Friday to Sunday, 28-30 October 2022.

Start of finals 12:00 am on Sunday, subject to change according to the number of entries, see provisional schedule later in the invitation.

ORGANIZER

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BEC – Badminton Europe

VENUE

Otahalli, Otaranta 6, 02150 Espoo, Finland / [Google-map](#)

EVENTS AND ELIGIBILITY

U19 Men's (MS) and women's (WS) singles, men's (MD) and women's (WD) doubles and mixed doubles (XD). According to BWF rules, players born year 2004 or later can be accepted.

The maximum numbers of competitors accepted in the tournament are
64 players in men's and women's singles
32 pairs in men's and women's doubles
48 pairs in mixed doubles

Tournament will be played on 4 or 5 Pro Court mats depending on the number of entries.

No qualifications will be played before the main draw. If there are more entries for an event than can be accepted, the players/pairs will qualify for the main draw according to the rule 6.1.5 of the BE Junior Circuit regulations.

In accordance with regulation § 9.2 and § 9.3 in BWF Statutes, Section 5.3.3.2: World Junior 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. In accordance with regulation § 9.4 in BWF Statutes, Section 5.3.3.2: World Junior Ranking System, an event must contain at least 1 (one) entry

from a Member other than the hosting Member in the first published version of the main draw. If an event does not contain at least 1 (one) entry from a Member other than the hosting Member in the first published version of the main draw, 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.

DRAW

All events will be played in a knock-out system.
The seeding and draw will be made by BEC.

ENTRIES

All entries must be made by using the BWF Online Entry System:
<https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/tournament/6E9CB160-6A95-4D5F-A5F5-B9FD772A5567>

Entry closing date: Tuesday, September 27, 2022, 18:59 local time (=GMT +03:00)
No late entries will be accepted.

Players cannot be entered unless they already have a BWF ID-number. Please create BWF IDs for all the players you wish to enter, but do not have a BWF ID-number yet. In case you're facing difficulties creating the player IDs please contact the BWF office, so that the players concerned can get their BWF ID-number before the closing date of the tournament.

The entries shall be made in order of strength and in national ranking order in each event. Players' date of birth is also required.

Compliance with General Competition Regulations Clause 7.9

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 FEES AND PAYMENTS

Entry fees for the tournament are (shuttles included):
EUR 40 per player in singles events.
EUR 25 per player in doubles events.

12.1 The Member that enters a player/pair into a BEC Junior Circuit tournament is responsible for paying the entry fees for that player/pair. 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. Alternatively, the entry fees can be paid in cash at tournament before the first match.

12.2 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.

The bank transfer information for paying the entry fees:

Account owner: Suomen Sulkapalloliitto ry
Bank: Nordea
IBAN: FI48 1454 3000 1022 05
BIC: NDEAFIHH

ADVERTISING AND CLOTHING

The tournament will be conducted according to the BWF Statutes, Section 5.2.3: Junior Tournament Regulations 12 to 16 on advertising and clothing (*Player name on the back of shirt is mandatory*) and *BEC Junior Circuit Regulation 13: It is mandatory for the semi-finals and finals that partners in doubles wear the same color of the t-shirt and shorts/skirts*. Violating these regulations regarding clothing will be penalized with an administrative fine of 50,00 €. In applying these regulations, the decision of the Referee shall be final.

PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE

The tournament provisional schedule is as follows:

Day	First round to start	Last round to start
Friday 28 th Oct	10:00	21:00
Saturday 29 th Oct	09:00	20:00
Sunday 30 st Oct – Semifinals	09:00	
Sunday 30 st Oct – Finals	12:00	

REFEREES

Referee: Christos Evangelidis (Greece), chrisev@sch.gr
Deputy: Ari Vartiainen (Finland), ari.vartiainen@pp.nic.fi.

TEAM MANAGER MEETING

Team manager meeting will be arranged on Thursday, October 27th at 19:00 at the venue. We kindly ask for a response about your participation by email to ari.vartiainen@pp.nic.fi – the exact location will be confirmed by email by 12:00 on Thursday, October 27th.

BRANDS OF SHUTTLECOCKS

FZ FORZA VIP

INSURANCE

The organizer declines any responsibility and covering of costs for possible injuries or other damages. It is up to all participants to insure themselves.

VISAS

Important for all players who need visa for Finland: please contact finnishjunior@gmail.com as soon as possible but latest on 29.9.2022 for arrangements. Visa Application Form can be downloaded from the [Tournament Website](#).

ACCOMMODATION

The official tournament hotel is the brand-new Hotel Matts (<https://www.hotelmatts.fi/en/>) offering you either the standard double room option or spacious apartments with kitchens and perks like laundry and drying machines. Both options include the hotel breakfast. There's room up to five persons in one apartment.

Besides being next to the second biggest shopping mall in Finland, the hotel is next to the Matinkylä metro station, 7 minutes from the Otaniemi station. In addition, the tournament shuttle bus will transport you during the peak hours between the sports arena and the hotel.

We have a very good deal with Hotel Matts. Please email finnishjunior@gmail.com to get the tournament pricing deal, booking code and instructions. The pre-negotiated rates will start from 84 EUR/double-room with breakfast.

Hotel address: Tynnyritie 1, 02230 Espoo, FINLAND

To ensure your stay at the official tournament hotel, please book your accommodation as soon as possible, preferably by Fri 23.9. but latest by Sat 1.10.2022. Cancellations are possible in single reservations until 18:00 on the date of arrival, but in group reservations cancellation policy is agreed separately.

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation is provided by the organizer from the [Helsinki Vantaa Airport](#), Helsinki harbor or Helsinki railway station to the tournament hotel and back.

Fee for the transportation is EUR 25 per person for return ticket. One-way tickets are *not* available.

Teams or players arriving by plane, ferry or train:

Please contact finnishjunior@gmail.com to organize your transportation. Transport Request Form can be downloaded from the [Tournament Website](#).

Deadline for bookings is Friday 14.10.2022.

MEALS

Pre-booked hot meals are available on each tournament day at the venue. Meals have to be reserved Friday 21.10.2022 at the latest.

The reservation is done with a separate Meals Reservation Form which can be downloaded from the [Tournament Website](#). Pre-order price for a meal is 11 EUR. Meals are guaranteed to be available for pre-orders only. Walk-in purchases are subject to availability.

Pre-ordered meals will be invoiced in advance and made payable to ESB bank account. Team leaders pick up the meal coupons for whole team from tournament info.

The bank transfer information for paying the meal coupons:

Account owner:	Suomen Sulkapalloliitto ry
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PRIZES

Prizes for the winners and runners-up in each event.

PRACTICE

If requested, we will organize you practice courts during the tournament week (Mon 24. – Sat 29.10.).

We will charge you or your team the court fees which are between 8 € and 24 € depending on time of day and location. We will give you a price quote when requesting practice.

Please be early with your practice requests, as the times are sold out fast. Place your request latest on Sun 16.10. by email to finnishjunior@gmail.com with a title "Practice request / [name]".

Provisional availability of the practice courts:

Location, Forever Matinkylä (Matinkartanontie 1, 02230 Espoo, FI), 13 courts in total:

Mon 8:00 – 15:30
Tue 8:00 – 15:30
Wed 8:00 – 15:30
Thu 8:00 – 15:30
Fri 8:00 – 15:30
Sat 9:00 – 20:00

Location, Otahalli (the tournament venue) – included in the tournament fee:

Thu 8:00 – 20:00, 8 courts, before the hall is transformed to the tournament setup
Fri 7:30 – 10:30, 5 tournament courts, 8 additional practice courts

For Mon-Wed times in Otahalli, you may reserve the courts yourself directly from their sales service: +358 294 122 151

OTHER INFORMATION

Shuttles and other badminton equipment are sold at the tournament hall.

KEY DATES

Deadline for	Date	Time
Tournament hotel booking	September 23, 2022	
Entries	September 27, 2022	11:59 PM (GMT +08:00)
Visa Applications	September 29, 2022	
Online withdrawals	October 10, 2022	23:59 (GMT +03:00)
Draw	October 11, 2022	
Transportation reservations	October 14, 2022	
Meal reservations	October 21, 2022	

Tournament Schedule overview:

5 courts/3 days	Round 64	Round 32	Round 16	QF	SF	Final
MS - 64	32	16	8	4	2	1
WS - 64	32	16	8	4	2	1
MD - 32	-	16	8	4	2	1
WD - 32	-	16	8	4	2	1
XD - 48	16	16	8	4	2	1
Total	112		108		15	

Played on Friday 28.10.

Played on Saturday 29.10.

Played on Sunday 30.10.

Round 64 of MS, WS and XD + Round 32 of MD and WD are played on Friday. Round 32 of singles + mixed and all Rounds 16 and QF are played on Saturday. Semi-finals and Finals are played on Sunday.

Doping Control

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/>