



Stockholm September 2019

TO MEMBER ASSOCIATIONS of Badminton World Federation

INVITATION VICTOR SWEDISH OPEN 2020
International Series Tournament
part of Badminton Europe Elite Circuit
PLAYED IN Uppsala,
(45 min by bus from Stockholm-Arlanda Airport)
JANUARY 16th-19th 2020

ORGANISER: Badminton Sweden

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Eventlink www.swedishopen2020.se

15 th January:	20:00*	Team managers meeting (appr) at IFU Arena
16 th January:	09:00	Qualifications (start dep on entries)
17 th January:	09:00	Main draw Round 1 & 2
18 th January:	10:00	Quarterfinals
	16:00	Semifinals
19 th January:	12:00	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:

IFU Arena
Råbyvägen 77
Uppsala Sweden

Practice facilities will be available in the main hall before tournament start on Wednesday evening from 6 pm to 9.30 pm. There will also be practice availability in the arena throughout the tournament (5 courts), but not in the main hall. No booking in advance.

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 Elite 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, i.e. BEC Elite Circuit Ranking and BWF World Ranking.
In accordance with clause 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:** Victor Gold champion
- COURTS:** 5 Yonex Competition
- ENTRIES** All entries must be made by using the BWF Online Entry System:

<http://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/sport/tournament?id=4CF5DAEE-C1E6-4C65-A4EB-6B6D59DF0B26>

Entries must be submitted no later than Tuesday 17th December 2019 at 23.59 BWF HQ-time (16.59 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."

CLOSING DATE: December 17th 2019 at 23.59 BWF HQ-time (16.59 CET)

VISA: **Important for all players who need visa for Sweden.**
Please request immediately from Badminton Sweden the official INVITATION LETTER and apply as soon as possible. Contact: info@badminton.nu





INFORMATION BADMINTON SWEDEN

Box 11016,
SE-100 61 Stockholm
SWEDEN

E-mail info@badminton.nu
Web-site address <http://www.badminton.nu>

ENTRY FEES: EUR 50 in Singles and EUR 90 per pair in doubles.

Organiser: Badminton Sweden
Bank: Swedbank, SE-105 34 Stockholm
IBAN SE 4880 0008 9011 9838 3432 43
SWIFT SWEDSESS

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. It is recommended that the entry fees are paid by bank transfer, but the organisers can accept cash payment at tournaments.

PAYMENT: Payment for entry fees needs to be done before 10th of January 2020 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 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. 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 Association 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 organizers 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 Member Associations or their players have outstanding fees from a previous year.

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: Ewald Cejnek ewaldcejnek@gmail.com

DEPUTY REFEREE: Patrik Andersson patrik@granbacken.net

DRAW: The draw will be done by Badminton Europe.

KEY DATES:	Entry deadline	December 17th 2019 23:59 BWF HQ-time
	World Ranking date for M&Q-report	December 17th 2019
	Date for publication of M&Q-report	December 20th 2019
	World Ranking date for seeding/draw	December 24th 2019
	Last day for withdrawals without fine	December 30th 2019
	Date for the draw	December 31st 2019

PRIZE MONEY: 10.000 US \$, International Series Tournament

	MS	WS	MD/pair	WD/pair	XD/pair	Total
Winner	1000	1000	1200	1200	1200	5600
Runner-up	550	550	700	700	700	3200
Semi-finalist	300	300				1200

Prize money will be paid to account numbers only, no cash payments. The tournament organizer guarantee that the payment will be in the player's account by January 22, 2020 and will also bare all costs for the money transfer. Players are required to provide bank account number, bank IBAN and SWIFT. Prize money to be paid to the players and not to the member associations. Unfortunately, we cannot pay cash due to the restrictions on cash handling in Sweden. 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 Regulations of the Badminton Europe Elite Circuit. 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 Swedish 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:

The Official tournament hotel is:
Arenahotellet Uppsala
Adress: Tennisvägen 754 60 Uppsala (150 meters from main hall)
Type of rooms:
Single (S): 995 SEK/night,
Double (D): 1195 SEK/night
Tripple (T): 1395 SEK/night

For reservation please email: reception@arenahotellet.se refer to Swedish open 2020.

There are two options to pay the hotel:

PAYMENT ON Arrival: Hotel payment to be done at the hotel on check-in – by **credit card**. The hotel accepts **VISA and MASTERCARD**. The hotel does not accept **AMEX**.

or

PREPAYMENT: **Prepayment needs to be done 2 weeks prior to arrival.**
See bank details

VAT.No:SE559111681801
Bankgiro: 5203-4147
Bank: Svenska Handelsbanken
Account: 449 559 211 Clearing 6207
Swift: Handsess
IBAN: SE46 6000 0000 0004 4955 9211

TRANSPORT: Official point of arrival is Stockholm Arlanda Airport (ARN) or Uppsala Central Station from where transport will be provided.

There will only be transports provided for participants staying at the official hotel.





NOTE! All transports must be pre-booked on www.swedishopen2020.se by **latest 3 January 2020** in order to guarantee transport.

INSURANCE: To be arranged individually by participants. 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.

ESTONIAN INTERNATIONAL

The week before the Swedish Open, Estonian International take place in Tallinn, Estonia. Tallinn is only an hour's flight from Uppsala and there is also the possibility to board a boat from Estonia to Sweden. If you have plans to participate in both Estonian International and Swedish Open, an alternative might be to travel directly from Estonia to Sweden. If you are interested in that, you can contact Bjorn.Fredriksson@besttransport.se and we can help you with a package for all week regarding accommodation and training opportunities in Uppsala.

In Uppsala we have the club Fyrisfjädern as well as the National team center who both organize high quality practice during the whole week.

YOU SHOULD ENJOY YOUR STAY WITH US - THAT'S IMPORTANT

Our ambition is that you as a player, team staff or official will enjoy your stay in Uppsala in all possible ways. Besides arranging a fair competition of highest quality we will do our best to ensure you thrive and want to return. A few of the things we offer to create a great atmosphere are:

Everything should be close and the distance to the official hotel is minimal, only 150 meters. The closest grocery store is 250 meters away. In the arena and the hotel there are three different restaurants giving you the possibility to get variation





and choose what suits you the best. The restaurants have different themes and long opening hours.

In the arena there is a separate warming-up/practice hall with five courts. This is where the warming-up will take place, but we also hope there will be space for eliminated players to practice. There is also a gym which all participants have free access too.

In addition, there are lounges in both the arena and the hotel for players and team staff to kick back and relax.

On top of the above you can visit our relax/spa or play tennis, paddle, squash or table tennis to discounted prices, all within a walking distance of about 100 meters.

Finally, there is a website for the competition where all information will be posted and updated. This is where you find all you need to know for your stay and also where you make hotel and transportation reservations, follow the attached link www.swedishopen2020.se

We hope you will enjoy your stay with us.

A warm welcome to you!

