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WELSH INTERNATIONAL OPEN

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WELSH INTERNATIONAL OPEN 2025

Tuesday 25th November- Saturday 29th November 2025

Sport Wales National Centre, Sophia Gardens, Cardiff, CF11 9SW

Part of the Badminton Europe Elite Circuit

BEC Elite Circuit Prize Money | \$5000

Organiser	Badminton Wales Sport Wales National Centre, Sophia Close, Cardiff Wales CF11 9SW Website: https://www.badminton.wales/
Contact Details	Badminton Wales Email enquiries@badminton.wales Phone Number +44 2920 334 938
Tournament Website	https://www.badminton.wales/welsh-international
Tournament Information Sportity App	All tournament information will be shared using the Sportity App Password WINT
Tournament Venue	Sport Wales National Centre Address Sophia Close, Cardiff, Wales, CF11 9SW Phone Number +44 300 300 3123 Website https://www.sport.wales/
Referee	Ross Blyth (ENG) Email ross.a.blyth@gmail.com
Deputy Referee	Stephen Temple (WAL) Email stephen.temple0864@gmail.com

Tournament Grade	International Series
Key Dates	<p>Entry deadline Tuesday 28th October World ranking date for M&Q report Tuesday 28th October Publish M&Q report Friday 31st October World ranking date for seeding & draw Tuesday 18th November Last date to withdraw without penalty Monday 17th November Draw date Tuesday 18th November Team Manager's meeting Monday 24th November (SWNC, Taff Suite 2, 19:00-20:00)</p> <p>Event Schedule Tuesday 25th November From 9am -Qualification Wednesday 26th November From 9am -Qualification Thursday 27th November From 9am -Main Draw Friday 28th November From 10am-Last 16, From 3pm-Quarter finals Saturday 29th November From 10am-Semi-finals, From 3pm-Finals</p>
Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Men's Singles • Women's Singles • Men's Doubles • Women's Doubles • Mixed Doubles <p>32 players/pairs will be accepted into the main draw of each event.</p>

<p>Events</p>	<p>All events will be played using a knockout system in accordance with the laws of badminton and General Competition Regulations of the BWF.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>
<p>Conditions of play</p>	<p>The tournament shall be played in full accordance with the Laws of Badminton and General Competition Regulations adopted by the BWF, regulations of the Badminton Europe Elite Circuit and Badminton Wales (BW) including the prohibition of doping for which tests may be carried out.</p>

<p>Conditions of play</p>	<p>In summary these are </p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The draw will be seeded in accordance with the regulations of the BWF. • Badminton Europe will make the draw. • The period for knocking-up before any match shall not exceed two minutes. • All competitors must be prepared to play at the times determined for the events for which they have entered; failure to do so may result in the players disqualification. • 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 (Regulation 9.5 in Badminton Europe's Circuit Regulations).
<p>Shuttles</p>	<p>To be confirmed</p>
<p>Competition courts</p>	<p>4 Victor court mats</p>
<p>Practice courts</p>	<p>Jubilee Hall- 2nd floor, SWNC Five practice courts will be available in the Jubilee Hall. The practice courts cannot be pre-booked but will operate on a first come, first served basis. The five practice courts will be available as follows 12pm- 10pm -Monday 24th November 9am-10pm -Tuesday-Friday 9am- until the start of the last final- Saturday The Main Arena competition courts will not be available for practice on the evening of Monday 24th November.</p>

<p>Clothing and Advertising Regulations</p>	<p>18.1 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.</p> <p>18.2 It is mandatory that partners in doubles wear the same colour of the T-shirt and shorts/skirts at all times during play in both the qualification and the main draw. Failing to do so shall result in an administrative fine of 100,00 EUR.</p>
<p>Entry System</p>	<p>All entries must be made using the BWF Online Entry System. Entries must be submitted no later than Tuesday 28th October 23.59 BWF HQ time (GMT + 8hrs) https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/tournament/68BFD165-E80B-466B-A308-5E9143827CCC</p> <p>No late entries will be accepted. 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.</p>
<p>Entry Fees</p>	<p>Singles: £65 Doubles: £55</p> <p>Cheques/Banker's Drafts in pounds sterling, should be made payable to Welsh Badminton Union Ltd. Badminton Wales will not be responsible for any bank charges incurred.</p>

<p>Entry Fees</p>	<p>Please note that should BW receive payment which has incurred a charge and therefore doesn't cover the full cost, BW will invoice for the difference or ask the players for the remainder of the amount at the tournament. This should be paid prior to the players first match.</p> <p>17.1 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 organisers can accept cash payment at the tournaments.</p> <p>17.2 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.</p>
<p>Payment Information</p>	<p>Account No 02 52 91 77 Sort Code 30-96-91 Lloyds TSB. Queen Street, Cardiff. IBAN: GB04 LOYD 3096 9102 52977 SWIFT/BIC: LOYDGB 21217 Badminton Wales, Sport Wales National Centre, Sophia Close, Cardiff, CF11 9SW</p>
<p>Withdrawals and 'No Shows'</p>	<p>22.1 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>22.2 Any player not showing up for a match 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>

<p>Visas</p>	<p>Players who require a Visa to enter the UK should complete the attached form requesting an official letter from Badminton Wales https://forms.office.com/e/fQSb9PW9Ur</p> <p>After entering one or more players in the tournament, it is the Member's responsibility to secure visas for their players - if this is needed.</p> <p>Members must make sure that visa applications are made early enough.</p> <p>This should be done immediately after the entry is submitted.</p>																														
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<p>Transport</p>	<p>Badminton Wales will organise airport transfers from Cardiff Airport via FlightLink.</p> <p>The Transport Booking Form must be completed no later than Friday 7th November https://forms.office.com/e/WsE5gDUDDQ.</p> <p>Players travelling into Bristol Airport should use public transport to get to Cardiff https://www.nationalexpress.com/en/airports/bristol</p> <p>The drop off point for the Bristol Airport to Cardiff bus is adjacent to the Sport Wales National Centre. The official hotel is within walking distance of the Sport Wales National Centre & the bus station.</p>																														

<p>Accommodation</p>	<p>Official Hotel The Holiday Inn, Castle St, Cardiff CF10 1XD</p> <p>Room Rates Single Room- £110 bed and breakfast (Except Saturday Night) Single Room (Saturday Night)- £180</p> <p>Double or Twin Room- £120 bed and breakfast (Except Saturday Night) Double or Twin Room (Saturday Night)- £190</p> <p>Reservations for the hotel should be made by contacting Email badminton@crememk.co.uk Phone +44 7936 036740</p> <p>You should make payment to Crème Conferences for your accommodation.</p>
<p>Badminton Integrity</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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).</p> <p>For more information, please refer to BWF's website: https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-match-</p>

<p>Doping Control</p>	<p>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).</p> <p>For more information about anti-doping, please visit the BWF website: https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-doping-overview/</p>
<p>Insurance</p>	<p>The Organisers decline responsibility and covering of costs for possible injuries or other damages. It is the individual's responsibility to insure themselves.</p> <p>BEC Elite Circuit Regulation 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.</p>

Tournament
Cancellation policy

BEC Elite Circuit Regulation 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.