

Stockholm October 2021

TO MEMBERS of Badminton World Federation

INVITATION VICTOR SWEDISH OPEN 2022
International Series Tournament
part of Badminton Europe Elite Circuit
PLAYED IN Uppsala,
(45 min by bus from Stockholm-Arlanda Airport)
JANUARY 20th -23rd 2022

ORGANIZER: Badminton Sweden

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19 th January:	20:00*	Team managers meeting (appr) at IFU Arena
20 th January:	09:00	Qualifications (start dep on entries)
21 st January:	09:00	Main draw Round 1 & 2
22 nd January:	10:00	Quarterfinals
	16:00	Semifinals
23 rd January:	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: 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 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. 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 other than the hosting Member. If an event does not contain at least 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.

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

SHUTTLES: Victor Master no.1

COURTS: 5 Competition courts (Victor or Yonex)

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

<https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/tournament/EB919577-A897-4492-B9DA-87B3EF4A730E>

Entries must be submitted no later than Tuesday 21st of December 2021 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 authorizing 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 21st 2021 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

TRAVEL DOCUMENT- ATION:

Entry to Sweden from **countries outside EU and EEA area** and Switzerland (including the United Kingdom) requires a certificate from the organizer stating the persons participation in the elite sports competition, Victor Swedish Open. Apply for the certificate in the accreditation form, no later than January 6th 2022.

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 60 in Singles and EUR 100 per pair in doubles.

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

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 9th of January 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 organizers 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.

Organizers are allowed to refuse entries if Members 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 concerned liable to an amount of USD 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 concerned liable to an additional amount of USD 500,00 for the inconvenience caused by the "no show" (as defined in BWF General Competition Regulations).

REFEREE: TBA

DEPUTY REFEREE: TBA

DRAW: The draw will be done by Badminton Europe.

KEY DATES: Entry deadline December 21st 2021 23:59 BWF HQ-time
World Ranking date for M&Q-report December 21st 2021
Date for publication of M&Q-report December 24th 2021
World Ranking date for seeding/draw December 28th 2021
Last day for withdrawals without fine January 3rd 2022
Date for the draw January 4th 2022

PRIZE MONEY: 10.000 USD, 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 31, 2022 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 Members. 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 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 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/>

ACCOMMODATION:

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

Triple (T): 1395 SEK/night

Note that it is mandatory to stay at the official hotel.

For reservation please email: reception@arenahotellet.se refer to Swedish open 2022.

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.**

PRE-PAYMENT: **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.

NOTE! To guarantee transportation, the transportation request must be registered nationally on www.swedishopen2022.se, by latest January 6, 2022.

ACCREDITATION: **Apply for Accreditation no later than January 6th, 2022**
Please fill out [this form](#) for accreditation of players, coaches and team managers.

For each person, you will enter date of birth, passport number and flight details, so have all information ready before proceeding.

Accreditation is finally approved after a negative COVID-19 test upon arrival at the hotel.

Accreditation will be revoked for persons showing cold symptoms. A new negative COVID-19 test is required to reclaim the accreditation.

INSURANCE: To be arranged individually by participants.

Member and/or Organizer 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 Organizers purchase a proper Insurance Policy that would cover their potential legal liability.

ESTONIAN INTER NATIONAL 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 info@swedishopen.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

To ensure a safe competition for everyone involved, COVID-19 regulations will apply during Victor Swedish Open 2022 to prevent the spread of COVID-19. The [Safety](#)

[guidelines for Badminton Europe Confederation sanctioned tournaments v2](#) as well as the regulations from local authorities and the organizers should be complied with. Please note that the restrictions are subject to change on a short notice.

COVID-19 regulations in brief:

- It is recommended that everyone participating in the tournament is tested before travelling to Victor Swedish Open 2022
- All participants must be on site at the hotel in Uppsala **at least 6 hours before** their first match.
- All participants will be COVID-19 tested upon arrival to Uppsala.
- Staying in the official hotel is mandatory.
- Accreditation is mandatory for entering the arena and is only approved for persons receiving a negative COVID-19 test on arrival.

Should the event be cancelled on short notice due to reasons beyond the control of both Badminton Europe and Badminton Sweden, neither will be liable for any costs already incurred. It is strongly recommended that all participants book flight tickets with cancellation insurance.

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 safe and fair competition of highest quality, we will do our best to ensure you thrive and want to return.

The distance to the official hotel is minimal, only 150 meters. In the arena and the hotel there are different restaurants giving you the possibility to get variation and choose what suits you the best.

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 <https://swedishopen2022.se>. We hope you will enjoy your stay with us. A warm welcome to you!