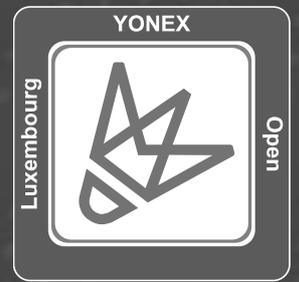




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# YONEX Luxembourg Open

## Players' Invitation

30 April - 03 May 2026

LUXEMBOURG

International Series

Part of the Badminton Europe Elite Circuit



Version: 24/01/2026

## 1. ORGANISER

FELUBA - Fédération Luxembourgeoise de Badminton in collaboration with Badminton Europe

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Member of: Comité Olympique et Sportif Luxembourgeois (COSL), Badminton World Federation (BWF),  
Badminton Europe (BEC)

### 1.1. Managing Team

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## 1.2. Media Links

- **Tournament website:**

### Luxembourg Open – International Badminton Tournament

<https://luxopen.badminton.lu/>

- **Social Media :**

- **Facebook:**



<https://www.facebook.com/LuxembourgOpen.badminton/>

- **Instagram:**



<https://www.instagram.com/luxopen.badminton.lu/>



- **Photos :**

- **Flickr:**



<https://www.flickr.com/people/feluba/>

- **Videos :**

- **Youtube:**



<https://youtube.com/@yonexluxembourgopen?si=7ONozuP4Em2kxejO>

## 1.3. Official documents

- **BWF sanctioned tournaments – Calendar**

[Calendar | 2026 TOURNAMENTS - ALL](#)

<https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/events/calendar/2026/all/0/-1/>

- **YONEX Luxembourg Open – Homepage -Documents**

[Documents – Players & Officials – Luxembourg Open](#)

<https://luxopen.badminton.lu/players-officials/414-2/>

## 2. KEY DATES

### 2.1. Entry Deadline Date:

**31<sup>st</sup> March 2026** (TUESDAY 4 WEEKS BEFORE EVENT 23:59 BWF HQ-time)

### 2.2. World Ranking for M&Q-report:

**31<sup>st</sup> March 2026** (SAME DAY AS THE ENTRY DEADLINE)

### 2.3. Publication of M&Q-report:

**03<sup>rd</sup> April 2026** (FRIDAY AFTER THE ENTRY DEADLINE)

### 2.4. World Ranking for seeding/draw:

**21<sup>st</sup> April 2026** (TUESDAY 1 WEEK BEFORE THE EVENT)

### 2.5. Withdrawal Deadline Date - Last day for withdrawal without fine:

**20<sup>th</sup> April 2026** (MONDAY IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE DRAW)

### 2.6. Draw Publication Date:

**21<sup>st</sup> April 2026** (TUESDAY 1 WEEK BEFORE THE EVENT)

### 2.7. Team managers' meeting:

**29<sup>th</sup> April 2026** (DAY BEFORE THE TOURNAMENT)

### 2.8. Accreditation deadline:

**23<sup>rd</sup> April 2026**

### 2.9. VISA deadline:

**2<sup>nd</sup> April 2026**

## 2.10. Provisional Schedule

Wednesday, April 29 <sup>th</sup>	19:00	Team Managers' Meeting (Amphitheatre, at the venue)
Thursday, April 30 <sup>th</sup>	09:00 - 22:00	Qualification rounds
Friday, May 1 <sup>st</sup>	09:00 - 22:00	1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> round
Saturday, May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	09:00 - 13:00	Quarterfinals
	15:00 - 19:00	Semifinals
Sunday, May 3 <sup>rd</sup>	13:00 - 18:00	Finals

## 2.11. The final frame schedule (with the exact planned conclusion of all matches) shall be made at least 20 days before the start of the tournament and shall be published on the organiser's website.

9.5 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.

### 3. VENUE

**Name of Venue:** Centre National Sportif et Culturel "Coque"

**Address:** 2, rue Léon Hengen

**City:** L-1745 Luxembourg

**Country:** Luxembourg



#### 4. TECHNICAL STAFF

##### 4.1. Referee:

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##### 4.3. Match Control:

Anna Karbstein (GER)

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## **5. EVENT INFORMATION**

### **5.1. Format:**

Men's and Women's Singles, Men's and Women's Doubles and Mixed Doubles

The draw sizes of the main events will be as follows:

32 MS, 32 WS, 24 MD, 24 WD and 24 XD.

The M&Q Report will be published on April 3rd ,2026 and will be based on the World Ranking dated March 31st ,2026.

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.

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.

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.

### **5.2. Eligible Players:**

All badminton players who are eligible to play for BWF Members.

### 5.3. Prize Money (Division Described in Paragraph 10 in Regulations)

The total prize money of US\$ 15.000 (equivalent to 12.750,00€ on December 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025; exchange rate of 0,85) has been divided as follows among the events. BWF Statutes, Section 5.3.1: TOURNAMENT SANCTION POLICY In Force: 11/11/2023 Version 4.0 §18:

	MS	WS	MD	WD	XD
Winner	1020€	1020€	1150€*	1150€*	1150€*
Runner up	615€	615€	770€*	770€*	770€*
Semi-finalist	255€	255€	320€*	320€*	320€*
Quarter-finalist	105€	105€	0	0	0

\*Per pair

These prizes will be paid in EURO in cash at the prize giving ceremonies. No taxes will be deducted.

### 5.4. Shuttles

YONEX AS-50

### 5.5. Courts

5 YONEX Competition courts in the main hall

2 YONEX Practice courts in the basement -2

1 YONEX Warm up court in the basement -2



### 5.6. Visa

Competitors and officials who need a Visa for Luxembourg, should send the Visa application form not later than April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2026, to the tournament secretary [secretary@badminton.lu](mailto:secretary@badminton.lu).

We will not accept entries needing visa without such an application. The visa form can be found on the BWF calendar (<https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/events/calendar/>) or on our website in the documents section (<https://luxopen.badminton.lu/414-2/>).

Please complete the form as soon as possible and send it to the address below with all the required information so that we can send you the visa application form by email in good time. A visa certificate will not be issued without an entry in the tournament entry list or an application for accreditation for family members, coaches, officials and accompanying persons.

Deadline: 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2026 (23.59 local time)

Contact: [secretary@badminton.lu](mailto:secretary@badminton.lu)

### 5.7. Draw

The draw will be performed by Badminton Europe.

### 5.8. Practice

At the practice venue in the basement from Wednesday 12:00 to Sunday 16:00. Booking for 30 minutes with our booking form to [luxopen@badminton.lu](mailto:luxopen@badminton.lu), at best until April 23rd, 2026.

### 5.9. Information system

The digital information system will once again be represented by the 'Sportity App'.

This app has established itself as a means of fast, digital information exchange.

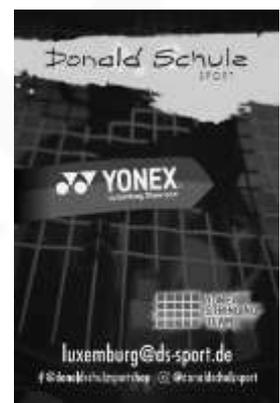
It contains all tournament details, links (Badminton Europe TV) and, for example, the current training schedule.

Please follow the information on the picture on the right.



### 5.10. Services during the tournament

- Players' lounge with water and snacks
- Free WIFI at the venue
- 2 YONEX Practice courts in the basement -2
- 1 Warm up court in the basement -2
- YONEX Stringing Service and YONEX-Shop provided by:



## 6. ENTRIES:

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

### 6.1. Link to Tournament in Tournamentsoftware:

<https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/tournament/B0204676-8DA1-45B2-AD59-5270201E79CE>

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 receive a BWF ID-number before the closing date of the tournament.

No late entries will be accepted.

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."

### 6.2. Entry Fees:

Singles, per competitor 85,00 €

Doubles, per competitor 75,00 €

### 6.3. Closing Date:

31<sup>st</sup> March 2026 at 23:59 BWF HQ-time (17:59 LOCAL TIME)

#### 6.4. Payment:

The fees must be transferred to our bank account.

Please indicate clearly for which player(s) payment is being made.

Entry fees must be paid before a competitor plays his/her first match in the tournament.

##### **Bank Details**

Bank: BANQUE ET CAISSE D'EPARGNE DE L'ETAT/SPUERKEESS

IBAN: LU64 0019 7555 5422 6000

BIC/SWIFT: BCEELULLXXX

Account owner: FELUBA ASBL / TOURNOI

(Fédération Luxembourgeoise de Badminton)

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 tournaments.

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.

17.5 Organizers are allowed to refuse entries if Members or their players have outstanding fees from previous years.

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).

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).

## 7. TRANSPORT

### 7.1. Public Transport in Luxembourg

Luxembourg is a global pioneer in public transportation, being the first country to make all public transport completely free for residents and visitors alike. Since March 1, 2020, buses, trains, and trams across the country have operated without any fare requirements, aiming to reduce traffic congestion and promote environmentally friendly travel. This groundbreaking initiative reflects Luxembourg's commitment to sustainability and improving quality of life, particularly in a country with high rates of car ownership and significant cross-border commuting. The move has garnered international attention as a model for accessible and equitable urban mobility.

### 7.2. Transport Information

New development!

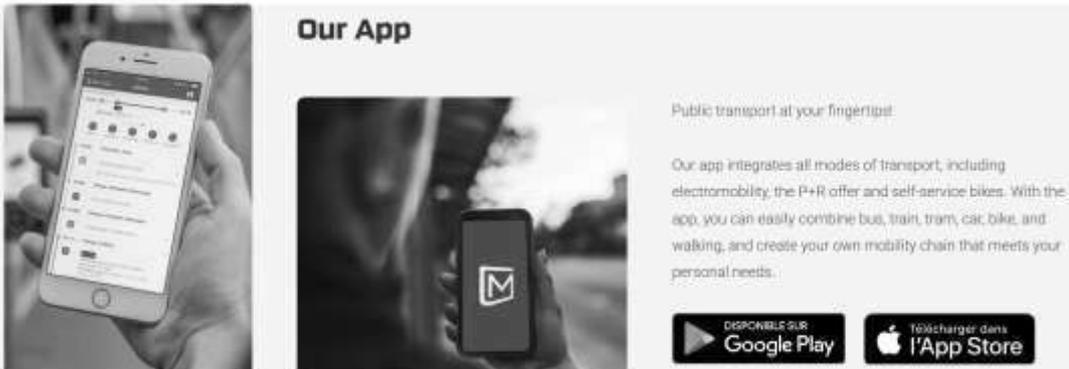
Following last year's trial period, the transport service will be placed in the hands of the public transport system from this year onwards. As it is available completely free of charge!

This decision is based on the advantages described in point 7.1 above, in particular the sustainability of the tournament and avoiding traffic.

With the completion of the tram line to the airport, the journey from there to the event hall will take only 14 minutes. From the main station, it will take 18 minutes, without any changes or traffic jams.

### 7.3. Plan a trip with the Public Transport

As described above the public transport is free in Luxembourg. The journeys can be planned through <https://www.mobiliteit.lu/en/> or using the mobiliteit app, which you can download in the apple store or in google play.



**Our App**

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#### 7.4. Book a Taxi



We have a partnership with the taxi company Webtaxi where you can book a taxi for a better price. The journey can easily be booked through the Webtaxi app. Please use the password “Yonex”.



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Simply scan the QR code

#### 7.5. Official Points of Arrival/Departure

- By plane: “Luxembourg Airport (LUX)”
- By train: Main train station “Luxembourg Gare”
- By car: Venue “Coque” (limited parking spaces for a fee)

#### 7.6. Tournament Transport

##### Important Tram Stations:

- Airport “Findel – Luxembourg Airport”
- Venue “Kirchberg, Coque”
- Tournament Hotels “Kirchberg, Europaparlament/Parlement Europeen”
- Luxembourg City “Hamilius”
- Train Station “Luxembourg, Gare Centrale”



**From the airport to the venue or hotel:**

Before, during and after the tournament, shuttle service will be provided by the free public transport system.

For example: You can take the free tram ('T1', direction 'Gasperich, Stadion / Bonnevoie, Lycée Bouneweg (Tram)') from the Airport-Station "Findel – Luxembourg Airport" to the venue (6 stations and 14 minutes' journey time) to the 'Kirchberg, Coque' stop. Alternatively, you can travel one stop further to the tournament hotels (1 minute more) and get off at 'Kirchberg, Europaparlament/Parlement Européen'. See station plan on page 14, under point 7.6.

**From the main train station to the venue:**

From the Central Railway Station, you can use the tram from "Luxembourg, Gare Centrale" ("T1", direction "Kirchberg, Luxexpo / Findel – Luxembourg Airport") until the Station "Kirchberg, Coque". It will need 10 stops and 18 minutes. See station plan on page 14, under point 7.6.

**From the hotels Novotel and Mama Shelter on Kirchberg to the venue**

Participants in YLO26 can take the tram, which can be used free of charge. You will walk less than 300 meters to the 'Kirchberg, Europaparlament/Parlement Européen' stop and then take the "T1" line (Direction 'Kirchberg, Luxexpo/Findel – Luxembourg Airport') for one stop to the 'Kirchberg, Coque' stop to reach the venue. There is a tramway every 4 minutes in the main time of the day.

You can also go by walking. It is 750 meters, around 10 minutes.

Alternatively, you can always book a taxi at your own costs.

**7.7. E-mail:**

If you have any questions or problems with transport, please send an email to [transport@badminton.lu](mailto:transport@badminton.lu).

## **8. ACCREDITATION INFO**

During the tournament, you will need personalised accreditation with a photo to gain access to the stands, training sessions, the courts, and the coaches' or players' areas.

The accreditation process is carried out exclusively via the online ACCREDITATION FORM at the following link:

<https://ylo26.sportity.io/register>

DEADLINE: 23<sup>rd</sup> of April 2026

For further information or enquiries, please contact [accreditation@badminton.lu](mailto:accreditation@badminton.lu).

## 9. ACCOMMODATION

Luxembourg has quite high hotel prices, especially during the week.

We have special prices and cancellation policies in high class hotels near the venue, which are not customary in the market.

Tournament room prices (including breakfast, tourist fees, access to fitness room (Novotel) and free WIFI).

From Monday, 27.04.2026 till Monday, 04.05.2026.

### 9.1. Tournament Hotels

#### **Novotel Luxembourg Kirchberg, 4\* Hotel**

6 Rue du Fort Niedergruenewald

L-2015 Luxembourg

Tel: +352 42 98 48

#### **Rooms (Category: Superior Room)**

Single bedroom €155 per night

Double bedroom €175 per night

Triple bedroom €205 per night

## NOVOTEL

LUXEMBOURG KIRCHBERG



#### **Mama Shelter Luxembourg, 3\* Hotel**

2 Rue du fort Niedergruenewald

L-1616 Luxembourg

Tel: +352 20 80 44 00

#### **Rooms (Category: Medium MAMA Double)**

Single bedroom €155 per night

Double bedroom €175 per night



## 9.2. How to book

Contact to all Hotels (All Accor-Group)

Lucas Kroehling

Email: [h1930-re@accor.com](mailto:h1930-re@accor.com)

To be eligible for these special room prices you need to use the Hotel Booking Form of the Hotels and mention the YONEX Luxembourg Open (Badminton). Beyond March 30<sup>th</sup> 2026 the room allotment will be released, and the preferred rate will not be granted.

Attention: Your reservation may be cancelled or modified free of charge until 2pm (hotel local time) 7 days prior the arrival date. All details are in the Hotel Booking form. Participants must pay for the rooms and any extra costs directly at the hotel.

If you need information regarding accommodation, please address it in an email message directly to the Hotel contact Lucas Kroehling, email: [h1930-re@accor.com](mailto:h1930-re@accor.com).

In case of a problem, you may send an email to the Tournament's accommodation manager, [accommodation@badminton.lu](mailto:accommodation@badminton.lu).

It is possible to book some meals for lunch or dinner in the venue's restaurant or in the hotels. Please enquire at [catering@badminton.lu](mailto:catering@badminton.lu).

## 9.3. Deadline for Hotel booking

The booking must be completed before March 30<sup>th</sup> 2026.

## 10. CLOTHING

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.

18.2 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.

## 11. WAIVER

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

## 12. DOPING INFORMATION

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/>

## 13. BADMINTON INTEGRITY

Section 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.

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.

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).

For more information, please refer to BWF's website: <https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-match-fixing-overview/>

## 14. FORCE MAJEURE

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.

## 15. REGULATIONS

### 15.1. General

The tournament will be played in accordance with the Laws of Badminton, the BWF General Competition Regulations and Badminton Europe Elite Circuit Regulations. In case of any dispute, the Referee's decision shall be final.

### 15.2. Entry

After the deadline, the BWF Online Entry System will send a notification confirming receipt of final entries to all participating Members. Receipt of this notification is the conclusive evidence of receipt of entries before the deadline.

### 15.3. Draws

Seeding and draw will be done by Badminton Europe, based on the World Ranking dated April 21<sup>st</sup>,2026.

The draw will be made by Badminton Europe, on Tuesday April 21<sup>st</sup>,2026.

### 15.4. Match Conditions

Competitors must be prepared to play at the times quoted in the Order of Play for the events for which they have entered. No exception shall be made to this rule.

Matches will be played according to BWF laws.

Testing for the use of drugs can be conducted throughout the tournament.

During the event, stringing service will be present.

### 15.5. Standard rules

Members will be acknowledged as to which of their entries have been accepted into the Main Draw, which are required to qualify, and which are on the lists of reserves.

### 15.6. Departure

Please ensure that the Secretary of the Managing Team is informed immediately when a player has to withdraw, preferably together with the reason.

**SEE YOU IN THE COQUE!  
SEE YOU IN LUXEMBOURG!**



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**SAVE THE DATE | 30 April - 3 May 2026 @Coque**

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