Stockholm October 2026

TO MEMBERS of Badminton World Federation

INVITATION
VICTOR SWEDISH OPEN 2027 hosted by PONG
JANUARY 21 - 24
International Series Tournament
part of Badminton Europe Elite Circuit
Played in UPPSALA
(45 min by bus from Stockholm Arlanda Airport)

ORGANIZER **Badminton Sweden**

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20th January	20:00	Team managers meeting at IFU Arena
21st January	09:00	Qualifications (start dep on entries)
22nd January	09:00	Main draw Round 1 & 2
23rd January	10:00	Quarterfinals
	16:00	Semifinals
24th 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

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.

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.

ELIGIBLE PLAYERS

All players of clubs affiliated through their National Associations to the BADMINTON WORLD FEDERATION.
Victor Swedish Open 2027 is exempted from the BWF Statutes, Section 5.6.1: Participation Regulations for Individual Neutral Players and Support Personnel with a Russian/Belarusian Passport. Hence, Victor Swedish Open in 2027 is organized without the participation of Russian or Belarusian athletes or officials, regardless of their representation as neutral Players/Support Personnel.

SHUTTLES

VICTOR Master Ace

COURTS

5 Competition courts (YONEX)

ENTRIES

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

https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/tournament/AA3EF582-A606-4D8F-A43B-E3CFD00E560B

Entries must be submitted no later than Tuesday 22nd December 2026 at 23:59 BWF HQ-time (17:59 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 receive 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."

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CLOSING DATE **December 22nd 2026 at 23:59 BWF HQ-time (17:59 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: swedishopen@badminton.nu

INFORMATION **Badminton Sweden**
Box 11016
SE-100 61 Stockholm
SWEDEN

E-mail info@badminton.nu
Website www.badminton.nu

REFEREE TBA

DEPUTY REFEREE Mia Thorsélius mia.thorselius@badminton.nu

ENTRY FEES **EUR 90 in Singles and EUR 150 per pair in doubles.**

PAYMENT 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 organizer accepts card payments at the tournament.

Payment of entry fees needs to be made before 7 January 2027. Invoices will be sent to each Member in connection with the final approval of entry list.

Organizer	Fyrisfjädern Badmintonklubb Uppsala
Bank	Sala Sparbank, Box 43, SE-733 21 Sala
IBAN	SE08 8000 0828 4217 4429 6847
SWIFT	SWEDSESS

The entry fees will not be refunded in case of 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 EUR for the Member who is addressed on 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 is the player/pair considered as an entry.

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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 for a match at the tournament, without having been withdrawn in advance, renders the Member concerned liable to an additional amount of USD 500 for the inconvenience caused by the "no show" (as defined in BWF General Competition Regulations).

DRAW

The draw will be performed by Badminton Europe.

KEY DATES

Entry deadline	December 22nd 2026 23:59 BWF HQ-time
World Ranking for M&Q-report	December 22nd 2026
Publication of M&Q-report	December 25th 2026
Last day for withdrawal without fine	January 11th 2027
World Ranking for seeding/draw	January 12th 2027
Date for the draw	January 12th 2027

PRACTICE

Practice facilities will be available in the main hall before the tournament start on Wednesday evening from 5 pm to 9 pm. Practice courts are available in the arena throughout the tournament (5 courts), but not in the main hall. To book practice courts for Wednesday evening, request must be registered **by latest January 12, 2027** by email to event@fyrisfjadern.se

PRIZE MONEY

10 000 USD, International Series Tournament

	MS	WS	MD/pair	WD/pair	XD/pair	Total
Winner	$ 800	$ 800	$ 1000	$ 1000	$ 1000	$ 4600
Runner-up	$ 450	$ 450	$ 600	$ 600	$ 600	$ 2700
Semi-finalist	$ 225	$ 225	$ 300	$ 300	$ 300	$ 2700

Prize money will be paid to bank accounts only, no cash payments. The payment will be done on the first bank day after the tournament, i.e. January 25 2027, and the organizer 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 excluded 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.

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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 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 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.

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, 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

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-match-fixing-overview/

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:
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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.

ACCOM-MODATION

The Official tournament hotel is **Arenahotellet**.
The number of rooms in the hotel are limited and **to guarantee the rates below booking must be made no later than January 02nd 2027.**

ARENAHOTELLET

Address: Tennisvägen, 754 60 Uppsala (150 meters from main hall)
Website: arenahotellet.se
Room rates:
Single 1 400 SEK/night
Double 1 600 SEK/night
Triple 1 800 SEK/night

Reservation

To make a booking please email: reception@arenahotellet.se
Booking reference: **Swedish Open 2027**
Book no later than January 02nd 2027 to be guaranteed the rates above. For individual bookings, cancellations can be made free of charge until 14:00 the arrival day. Please, contact the hotel for cancellation policy regarding group bookings.

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, MASTERCARD and also AMEX from this season.

Pre-payment

Prepayment needs to be done 2 weeks prior to arrival. Contact the hotel for bank transfer details. If the payment is not visible on the hotel account, payment will be required at check-in to get access to the rooms.

TRANSPORT

Official point of arrival is Stockholm Arlanda Airport (ARN) or Uppsala Central Station from where transport will be provided for participants staying at the Official hotel. Transport will be provided until Monday January 25, 2027.

NOTE! To guarantee transportation, the transportation request must be registered at our booking site Trippus **by latest January 12, 2027.**

Transportation between Arlanda – Uppsala could be arranged for a fee 575 SEK one way (approx. 50EUR) for participants not staying at the official hotel, with departure after January 25 or if booking request is submitted after January 12, 2027.

No Shuttle service will be provided since the official hotel is within walking distance to the venue (150 m)

ACCREDITATION

Players**,** Coaches, team managers and team staff have to **apply for accreditation no later than January 12, 2027.** Please fill out the accreditation form at our booking site Trippus

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 every possible way. Besides arranging a safe and fair competition of highest quality, we will do our best to ensure you thrive and want to return.

Finally, on the website swedishopenbadminton.com all information related to the tournament will be posted and updated. This is where you find all you need to know for your stay and also where you make transportation reservations, accreditation requests and find information about the official hotel. We hope you will enjoy your stay with us.

We are looking forward to seeing you in Uppsala. Welcome!

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