



TO: Umpire Correspondents, Badminton Europe Members

RE: Umpire Nominations for the 2022 European Junior Championships

Dear All,

Badminton Europe (BEC) is pleased to invite you to nominate umpires for the following BEC event: **2022 European Junior Championships**

Location: Belgrade, Serbia

Date: 18 – 27 August 2022

The European Junior Team Championships will be played from 18 to 22 August 2022.

The European Junior Individual Championships will be played from 22 to 27 August 2022.

For this event, the following umpires can be nominated:

- BWF umpires
- BEC Accredited/Certificated umpires
- Umpires who have been removed from BEC's list of active umpires

Appraisal of BEC-A Accredited umpires (22-25 August 2022)

Badminton Europe will take the opportunity of using this event to evaluate/appraise its umpires to get an overview of the umpires' skills, strengths and weaknesses. Badminton Europe would like to offer its best umpires the possibility of "moving up" in the international umpire scale – find its best umpires and have them assessed for upgrading within BEC and within BWF. The appraisal will consist of a theoretical and practical part (written test and umpiring at the event).

Appraisals will be carried out in the following way:

- BEC Accredited umpires will be appraised by the members of the BEC Umpire Assessment Panel – the appraisal will be used for selections towards future assessments for BEC Certificated level.
- Umpires who have been removed from Badminton Europe's list of active umpires will be appraised/assessed by the members of the BEC Umpire Assessment Panel – the appraisal/assessment will be made to evaluate if the umpire shall be reinserted in Badminton Europe's list of active umpires.

Following the event, the members of the BEC Assessment Panel will submit written reports to Badminton Europe upon the umpires who they have been appraising.

Point of arrival

The official point of arrival for the event is Belgrade Nikola Tesla Airport (BEG). The umpires will have to arrive latest at 16h on Wednesday 17 August 2022 (if participating in the team event) or at 16h on Sunday 21 August 2022 (if participating only in the individual event) to attend the umpire briefing. Detailed information about transport will be sent to the umpires selected for the event.





Travel Grant

Badminton Europe provides a travel grant for all foreign umpires appointed for BEC events. The grant consists of 200 Euros per umpire which will be paid to the umpire's Member's account after the event. It is therefore hoped that the Member will assist their umpire/-s with their travel costs and visa expenses (if needed).

Please note that the travel grant will not be provided for umpires going for "non-active" umpires selected for the event – as their selection/participation is to be seen as an assessment.

Accommodation/Briefing

Umpires will be provided with accommodation in twin rooms at the Belgrade City Hotel (4-star), Savski trg 7, Savski Venac, 11000 Belgrade, Serbia.

Umpires will be provided with full board (breakfast in the hotel and lunch/dinner in the tournament venue).

Two umpire briefings will take place: Wednesday 17 August 2022 at 21h (team event) and Sunday 21 August 2022 at 21h (individual event).

Umpire Clothing

BEC umpires must bring their BEC polos while BWF umpires will receive them before the tournament.

Please state the umpire's preferred clothing size for a polo shirt on the nomination form should a special uniform be provided. Additional clothing will not be brought to the event, so please make sure that the indicated sizes are correct.

Nominations

Nominations must be made using the link here: <u>nominations for EJC22</u>. Each Member can nominate a maximum of six umpires for the event.

Any changes to the nominations, or any enquiries, must be made to the Badminton Europe office - <u>umpires@badmintoneurope.com</u>

It is possible that the number of nominations will exceed the number of umpires required. Therefore, please do not book any travel until umpire appointments have been confirmed. Umpires can be asked to depart on different days, so travel cannot be booked until after the selection is announced.

The closing date for receiving umpire nominations is **Thursday 23 June 2022**. The selection will be announced shortly after the deadline.





Availability

Umpires are requested to state on the nomination form whether they are available for -

- A: only Team Championships (18 to 22 August 2022)
- B: only Individual Championships (22 to 27 August 2022)
- C: both Team and Individual Championships (18 to 27 August 2022)

Priority will be given to the umpires available for both Team and Individual Championships.

The BEC-A appraisal will take place from 22 to 25 August 2022.

Covid-19

Please note that the tournament takes place during the turbulent Covid-19 period. BADMINTON EUROPE and the local organisers are not liable for any costs incurred by third persons because of a cancellation of a tournament. Should the event be cancelled with short notice by the Serbian authorities, due to the Covid-19 situation, beyond the control of both Badminton Europe and the hosting Member, neither of them will be liable for any costs related to travelling or accommodation made by players / officials for this event. It is strongly recommended that all umpires book flight tickets with a cancellation insurance. Some national or global epidemiological restrictions might be in place in the sports hall, hotel, transport etc. If applicable, such information will be published on the official event's website and circulated to announced Team Managers.

Neither Badminton Europe nor the local organisers will enforce additional quarantine and / or safe bubble regulations that go beyond local restrictions set by the Serbian authorities.

Thank you in advance for your nominations!

Kind regards

Sven Serré Chair of the TOC

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