



For the attention of Umpires Associations and Correspondents.

BADMINTONscotland Court Officials is pleased to invite Umpires to officiate at the Scottish Open, an International Challenge tournament, from **5-8 October 2023 in Glasgow**.

Hotel accommodation at the Leonardo Inn - West End, Great Western Road, Glasgow G12 0XP, will be provided from Wednesday 4 to Sunday 8 October. Accommodation will be twin rooms with bed and breakfast and other meals will be provided for umpires free of charge at the on-site venue catering. Umpires shall be responsible for covering the full cost of additional nights accommodation.

Travel to and from Scotland and all related costs is at the umpire's expense and it's the responsibility of each Umpire to check the regulations surrounding travel to and from Scotland from their respective countries.

We will only provide transport upon arrival at Glasgow International Airport, Glasgow Central Station, Glasgow Queen Street Station and Buchanan Street Bus Station to the official hotel and Arena. Officials travelling to Glasgow Prestwick Airport (approximately 35 miles from Glasgow) and Edinburgh Airport (approximately 45 miles from Glasgow) will be responsible for their own travel arrangements to and from Glasgow.

Please confirm your nominees to jimgrassie@ymail.com as soon as possible and if possible no later than **Friday 28 July 2023**.

Name, email and travel details of your umpire(s) should be sent by Wednesday 13 September 2023 to transport@badmintonscotland.org.uk.

Further information about the event is shown below:

The Scottish Open is the third oldest event in badminton world history and will be held in Glasgow's Emirates Arena, 1000 London Road, Glasgow G40 3HG.

The **Umpires' Briefing** will be held on **Wednesday 4 October at 1900 hrs** in the Arena. Transport will be provided from the Officials hotel.

The finals will be held on **Sunday 8 October** and should be completed by 1800hrs to allow umpires the opportunity to catch a return flight on the Sunday evening. All umpires are expected to be available until the last final is completed, excepting prior agreement for an earlier departure time. It takes approximately 30 minutes to travel from the venue to Glasgow Airport, so please factor this in to your travel arrangements. If you can't find return travel on Sunday evening we will provide accommodation for you on Sunday 8 October.

The full provisional schedule of the tournament is shown below:

04/10/23: Team managers meeting (Emirates Arena) (1800hrs)
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05/10/23: 0900hrs-2200hrs: 5 courts: Qualification
06/10/23: 0900hrs-2200hrs: 5 courts: Round 1 & 2
07/10/23: 0930hrs: 4 courts: Quarter-finals
07/10/23: 1530hrs: 2 courts: Semi-finals
08/10/23: 1200hrs: 1 court: Finals

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