



**2017
YONEX LITHUANIAN
INTERNATIONAL**

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JUNE 8th – 11th, Kaunas

**PART OF THE BADMINTON EUROPE
ELITE CIRCUIT**



Venue: Kaunas Sports Hall, Perkūno al. 5, LT-44221 Kaunas, Lithuania

Organizer: Lithuanian Badminton Federation

Tournament

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Entries

The following entries will be accepted into the main draw: Men's Singles = 32; Women's Singles = 32; Men's Doubles = 24; Women's Doubles = 24; Mixed Doubles = 24. There will be no more than three rounds in any qualifying event. It is required that every event has at least 8 actual competitors. If the required number of competitors is not met, this particular event shall not count towards any ranking.

It is mandatory to submit the entries by using the **BWF Online Entry System**
<http://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/sport/tournament.aspx?id=0069D58F-0DCF-4271-A904-8E5BED47E710>

No late entries will be accepted. 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 player shall be eligible to compete unless he/she is in good standing with his/her National Association.



Entry fees

Singles: 40 EUR per player

Doubles: 30 EUR per player

We would appreciate if you can make your entry fee and accommodation fee payment in advance by bank transfer, to the following account (no bank charges will be covered by the organizer).

The bank transfer information:

Account owner: Lithuanian badminton federation

Bank: Swedbank: LT28 7300 0100 0225 3250

BIC: HABALT22

Entry fees can also be paid in cash at the tournament venue before the first scheduled match. The entry fees become due if a player is entered and has not been withdrawn when the entry deadline passes.

If entry fees are not paid according to the regulations, the players concerned are not allowed to play. The member association that enters a player into a circuit tournament is responsible for paying the entry fees for that player. For all the players withdrawing in the time between the closing date and the beginning of the tournament the organizers invoice the entry fee to the relevant member association.

Courts

On Thursday the games will be played on 4 Yonex courts, Friday – Saturday on 4 Yonex courts, and Sunday on 1 Yonex court. Where possible, practice courts will be made available at requested times, but this cannot be guaranteed.

Shuttles

Yonex AS50 feather shuttles will be used exclusively.

Visas

After entering player(s) in the tournament it is the Member Association's responsibility to secure visas for their players – if this is needed. It is the Member Association's responsibility to make sure that visa applications are made early enough.

Member Associations are advised to contact Lithuanian Badminton Federation immediately if they require applying for visas. Names of competing players and their coaches should be clearly shown. An official invitation letter will then be sent to the Member Association. Member Association should apply for visas immediately thereafter.



Prize money

There is no prize money for this tournament.

Arrival

Official point of arrival is Kaunas international airport, www.kaunas-airport.lt

Transport will be provided from/to Kaunas airport to those using the tournament hotel on receipt of arrival and departure information. Available from the 7th to the 12th of June 2017.

Accommodation

Hotel Ibis, 3*

Vytauto av. 28, LT-44328 Kaunas, Lithuania

38 EUR for a **single** room.

54 EUR for a **double** room, based on 2 sharing.

76 EUR for a **triple** room, based on 3 sharing.

Hotel Perkuno Namai, 4*

Perkuno av. 61, LT-44226, Kaunas, Lithuania

44 EUR for a **single** room.

64 EUR for a **double** room, based on 2 sharing.

90 EUR for a **triple** room, based on 3 sharing.

Hotel prices and availability are subject to change. In order to get the rates listed above, all bookings must be made through Lithuanian badminton federation using the Hotel Booking Form available on <http://www.badminton.lt/YLI>.

All bookings must be made by 20th of May, 2017 at the latest, or else reservations will be cancelled and players will be responsible for booking their own accommodation at a higher rate and arranging transport. Rooms at this rate are limited so please book early to avoid disappointment. Hotel cancellations after the draw date are non-refundable.

Payments

All payments (accommodation, entry fee etc.) must be paid at accreditation via wire transfer to Lithuanian badminton federation (no credit cards accepted). Bank: AB 'Swedbank' (HABALT22), IBAN account: LT28 7300 0100 0225 3250. In exceptional cases, cash will be accepted.



Key dates and draw

- Entries Close: Tuesday, 9th May 2017
- World Ranking date used for M&Q Report: 11 May 2017
- Date of M&Q Report: 12 May 2017
- World Ranking Date used for seeding/draw: 18 May 2017
- Last day of withdrawal without penalty: 21st May 2017
- Date of Draw: 23 May 2017

The draw will be made by Badminton Europe.

Play schedule

All competitors must be prepared to play at the times determined for the events for which they have entered.

The Order of Play is as follows:

Thursday 8th June: All qualifying Rounds, not before 09.00 A.M. - **Maximum 80 matches.**

Friday 9th June: Men's & Women's Singles (1st rounds), Men's & Women's Doubles (1st & 2nd rounds), Mixed Doubles (1st & 2nd rounds). All matches take place from 9 A.M.

Saturday 10th June: Men's & Women's Singles (2nd rounds), All quarter-finals, Men's doubles (semi-finals), Women's Doubles (semifinal), Mixed Doubles (semi-final) not before 10 A.M.

Sunday 11th June: Men's & Women's Singles (semi-finals), and all final matches, not before 10 A.M. (The schedule will be confirmed by the referee and can be changed depending on TV requirements).

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 organizer's website. Tournament system will be K.O. system, according to the Laws of Badminton and Competition Regulations of the BWF.

The presentation to all winners and runners-up will take place at the prize giving ceremony following the conclusion of the relevant final. Only winner and runner-up must be present at the prize giving ceremony. Players are reminded when booking flights home on Sunday that the finals may not finish until 5pm, depending on the start time and also that they may be selected for doping testing – they should therefore book their flights accordingly.

Players shall not plan their departure less than two (2) hours after their last match is planned to conclude. If a player/pair is unable to compete due to early departure, such a player/pair shall lose all the Circuit Ranking points gained at the particular tournament and BADMINTON EUROPE shall propose to BWF that the gained

BWF ranking points are also removed. (Regulation 9.5 in Badminton Europe's Circuit Regulations)



Stringing

Stringing service will be available during the tournament, the price for stringing will be 10 EUR with own strings and 15 EUR with bought strings.

Meals

Food will be available at the sport complex (Price TBD).

Further provisions

The YONEX Lithuanian International 2017 Badminton Tournament will be played in accordance with the Laws of Badminton, the BWF Competition Regulations and the BE Circuit Regulations. In case of a dispute the referee shall have a decisive word.

Insurance

Insurance shall be arranged individually by each player. During the tournament a doctor will be present in the hall.

Drug testing

Drug Testing may be carried out on a random basis at any time.

Clothing and advertising

Advertising on clothing and color of clothing are regulated by BWF Competition Regulations 19 to 23. In applying these regulations the decision of the referee shall be final. The players name on the back of the shirts is mandatory for all matches at all times during play in both the qualification and the main draw. It is mandatory in both the qualification and the main draw that double partners wear the same color of Tshirt and shorts/skirts.

Failing to do so will result administrative fine of a 100 euro.

Withdrawals

Any withdrawal after the Sunday immediately preceding the draw, for any reason whatsoever, renders the Member Association concerned liable to an amount of US\$ 150,00 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 Association 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).

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 Association. The invoice must have a deadline for the payment and the information that 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.

All this must be done within 2 (two) months after the end of the tournament.



Imaging permissions

When a player is entered in a BWF-sanctioned event, television/broadcasting and still photography of that event is permitted at all associated venues (including training/practice) without further need to seek the consent of the player or Member Association concerned. Television signals can be shown in any and all territories on live or recorded television, Internet, web casting, audio, film and other media of similar nature.

Betting

Betting might be offered from this event. Please note that betting is not allowed to be made by players or officials connected to the Event either in person or through a third party. Participants may therefore not make bets on the Event or procure through third parties the making of bets with a betting agency.

Participants who, in violation of this prohibition, nevertheless make or procure through third parties the making of bets with betting agencies shall be immediately disqualified from participation in the Event and are liable for legal prosecution. Similarly manipulation of games will be met with disqualification and possible legal prosecution. Any violation mentioned above is also a breach of Player's Code of Conduct (Art. 5.2.) and will be sanctioned by BWF.

Cancellation of the tournament

The organizing Member Association 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 Association 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.

Badminton Europe waiver

Member Association 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 BE 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 BE Circuit tournament.



Changes

The Tournament committee reserves the right to add to or alter these conditions. Its decision in all matters will be final.

Training between Latvian and Lithuanian tournaments

Special offer for those participating in both YONEX Latvia International 2017 and YONEX Lithuanian International 2017 tournaments!

There is a possibility to train between the tournaments, in Kaunas. A coach (bus) will pick you up on Sunday after finals in Latvia (city will be arranged), and take you to Kaunas (20 EUR per person). You will stay in official tournament hotel "IBIS Hotel", and have a possibility to rent a training court on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday (two sessions, 2 hours each) for 10 EUR/hour/court. Hotel and food prices as listed above.

