

CEBA INTERNATIONAL 2023

TOURNAMENT RULES

In the event of any divergence between different language versions of these Rules, the French version shall apply.

- 1) The Tournament will be played according to the laws of the BWF and the regulations of the FFBaD. It is open to Senior players and also to Veterans, as well as Juniors (U19, U17, U15) of an appropriate standard. If more entries than can be accepted are received before the closing date (maximum capacity: 460 matches/approx. 230 players), preference will be given to the earlier entries.
- 2) All matches will be decided by the best of 3 sets to 21 points.
- 3) Any withdrawal after the draw must be notified in writing, within 5 days following the tournament, and accompanied by a medical certificate or other appropriate documentation.
- 4) The Tournament will be held in Strasbourg (halls Herrade & AGR/Jeanne d'Arc) on 29-30 April 2023.
Entries close at midnight on 20th April 2023.
The Draw will be made at 6:00pm on 21st April 2023.
- 5) The tournament will be played in several divisions, as follows:
Elite Division: Premier League
Division A: ICC Divisions 1 & 2
Division B: Other ICC divisions and Upper divisions of county leagues
Division C: Other league players
Division D: Club players
or players of equivalent standard from other National Associations
- 6) ***Two divisions may be merged in events with otherwise insufficient entries. Preliminary rounds will be played in pools. All events are limited to 32 entries (players or pairs); if this number is exceeded, preference will be given to the earlier entries.***
- 7) The official shuttle is the Yonex AS30. It will be available in the hall for purchase.

In the B, C and D divisions, players provide their own shuttles (equal sharing). In these divisions shuttles will be supplied free by the organiser only for semi-finals and finals.

In the Elite and A Divisions, the official shuttle will be supplied by the organiser for all matches. When each match is called, the first-named player (or the umpire, if appointed) will collect shuttles and the match sheet from Match Control.

Additional shuttles may be obtained if needed during the match in exchange for used ones. Used and unused shuttles should be returned to Match Control at the end of the match, together with the match sheet.

- 8) Knocking-up time on court is restricted to 3 minutes
- 9) Any player failing to report on court within 5 minutes after being called may be scratched.
- 10) Official umpires will be appointed for all semi-finals and finals. All competitors may be asked to act as scorers or line judges if necessary (particularly for semi-finals and finals).
- 11) The match sheet must be returned to Match Control immediately after each match by the winner, or the umpire (see also §4 Shuttles for the A Division).
- 12) A fault will be given for shuttles striking any part of the hall structure or equipment..

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- 13) Suitable badminton clothing must be worn. Any advertising or lettering must comply with BWF Regulations. Club emblems are permitted. The Referee is sole judge of what constitutes suitable clothing.
- 14) The order of matches will follow as closely as possible the numbering in the schedule of play. The times indicated are for guidance only. Matches may be called not more than 30 minutes before their scheduled time.
- 15) Order of play in pools:

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| Pools of 3 | 2 vs 3, 1 vs loser of 2/3, lastly 1 vs winner of 2/3 |
| Pools of 4 | 1 vs 3 and 2 vs 4, then winner of 1/3 vs loser of 2/4 and winner of 2/4 vs loser of 1/3, lastly winner of 1/3 vs winner of 2/4 and loser of 1/3 vs loser of 2/4 |
| Pools of 5 | For the first round of matches, the first player in the pool will be exempt, then the second, the third, etc |

- 16) One or two players/pairs qualify from each pool (see Draw).
NB – In the event of a tie between 2 players/pairs after the pool matches, their ranking shall be determined by the result of the match between them.
- 17) The rest period between matches is 20 minutes.
- 18) As the layout of the playing area does not allow their places to be sited systematically behind the courts, coaches must occupy the places reserved for them near the courts.
- 19) The organiser accepts no liability for accidents or lost property.
- 20) Prizes will be awarded to the Winner and Runner-up in each event.
- 21) Entry fees are 20€ (incl 2€ FFBA D levy) for the first event, 10€ for the second and 10€ for the third in the Elite and A divisions; 13€ (incl 2€ FFBA D levy) for the first event, 7€ for the second and 7€ for the third in the B, C and D divisions. Where appropriate, the higher-graded events will be considered as the first.
Payment on the spot will attract a surcharge of 2€.
- 22) The Referee is René GRAEF, his Deputy Geoffrey LETTIER. Certified organiser: Benjamin SEILER.