




# RSL Cyprus International 2021



Nicosia, 14th – 17th October 2021 (Thursday-Sunday)

Future Series Tournament

Part of Badminton Europe Elite Circuit



<b>Organiser</b>	<b>CYPRUS BADMINTON FEDERATION</b> 21 Amphipoleos Street, 2025 Strovolos, Nicosia Tel.: +357 22 449868, Fax: +357 22449869 E-mail: <a href="mailto:badminton@cytanet.com.cy">badminton@cytanet.com.cy</a> Web: <a href="https://badmintoncyprus.com/">https://badmintoncyprus.com/</a> 
<b>Venue</b>	Eleftheria Indoor Hall Avenue of Makarios Sports Centre Engomi, Nicosia, Cyprus
<b>Referee</b>	Aengus Sheerin, <a href="mailto:sheerin.aengus@itsligo.ie">sheerin.aengus@itsligo.ie</a>
<b>Event Dates/ Time Schedule</b>	Wed, 19:30, October 13th (at Altius Boutique Hotel) – Team Managers Meeting Wed, 20:30 October 13th (at Altius Boutique Hotel) – Umpires Meeting Thu, 09:00, October 14 <sup>th</sup> – Qualification Rounds Fri, 09:00, October 15 <sup>th</sup> - Qualification Final Rounds Fri, 12:30, October 15 <sup>th</sup> – Preliminary Rounds (1 <sup>st</sup> Round all Events) Sat, 09:00, October 16 <sup>th</sup> - Preliminary Rounds (2 <sup>nd</sup> Round all Events) Sat, around 13:00, October 17 <sup>th</sup> - Quarter Finals Sun, 09:00, October 17 <sup>th</sup> - Semi-Finals Sun, around 12:00, October 17 <sup>th</sup> - Finals (scheduled to finish by 16:00)  The final frame schedule shall be made at least 20 days before the start of the tournament and shall be published on the organizer’s website.
<b>Events</b>	Mens’s Singles, Women’s Singles, Men’s Doubles, Women’s Doubles, Mixed Doubles
<b>Key Dates</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Entry deadline (14<sup>th</sup> of September 2021)</li> <li>• World Ranking date for M&amp;Q-report (14<sup>th</sup> of September 2021)</li> <li>• Date for publication of M&amp;Q-report (17<sup>th</sup> of September 2021)</li> <li>• World Ranking date for seeding/draw (21<sup>st</sup> of September 2021)</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Last day for making withdrawals without being fined (27<sup>th</sup> of September 2021)</li> <li>• Date for the draw (28<sup>th</sup> of September 2021)</li> </ul>
<b>Eligible Players</b>	All players of clubs affiliated through their National Associations to the BWF.
<b>Max. number of Players per event for the main draw</b>	MS (32), WS (32), MD (32 pairs), WD (32 pairs), XD (32 pairs)
<b>Condition of Play</b>	<p>The tournament will be played in full accordance with the laws of Badminton and General Competition Regulations adopted by the BWF as well as the regulations of the Badminton Europe's Elite Circuit.</p> <p>The tournament draw sizes are limited to:</p> <p>(a) 100 matches per day  (b) 2 rounds per event per day for the main draw  (c) no more than 3 qualifying rounds per day for a maximum of 8 places in any event  (d) if more players/pairs enter the competition than the organizers can accept even in the qualifying rounds the World Ranking shall be used to determine the players/pairs whose entries can be accepted into the qualifying draw and which entry to fill any subsequent vacancy that may arise.</p> <p>Competitors must be prepared to play at the times quoted in the order of play for the events for which they were entered.</p> <p>Players shall not plan their departure less than two (2) hours after their last match is planned to conclude. If a player is unable to compete due to early departure, he/she will be penalized by removal of Elite Circuit ranking points and shall not be awarded prizes or prize money.</p> <p>BADMINTON EUROPE shall propose to BWF that the gained BWF ranking points are also removed (as in §9.5).</p> <p>The seeding and the draw will be done by Badminton Europe.</p>
<b>Scoring System</b>	Knock out system according to rules of the BWF
<b>Shuttles</b>	RSL Tourney Classic
<b>Courts</b>	3 PRO Courts
<b>Practice Courts/ Facilities</b>	On Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> October, 16:00-20:00, the courts inside the venue will be at the disposal of the players free of charge. Players may book practice time by contacting us after the 8 <sup>th</sup> of October at <a href="mailto:badminton@cytanet.com.cy">badminton@cytanet.com.cy</a> However you should bear in mind that there are only 5 practice courts that might be occupied.
<b>Entries</b>	All entries must be made by using the BWF Online Entry System. Entries must be submitted no later than Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> September 2021 at 6:59 PM (GMT +03.00).


	<p>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 yet, please use the Tournament Software to register new players before the closing date of the tournament.</p> <p><b>**The draw shall be made by Badminton Europe on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> of September.</b></p> <p>For online entries please use this link:  <a href="https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/tournament/DA0BF596-E79A-4EBF-A441-B1B85D1D589D">https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/tournament/DA0BF596-E79A-4EBF-A441-B1B85D1D589D</a></p> <p>No late entries will be accepted.</p> <p>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.”.</p>
<p><b>Entry Fees</b></p>	<p>Singles: 40€ per player, Doubles: 30€ per player</p> <p>The Member that enters a player into a 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 has passed.</p> <p>It is recommended that the entry fees are paid by bank transfer, but the organisers can accept cash payment at the tournament <b>before a player’s first scheduled match</b>. The entry fees will not be refunded in the case of a withdrawal.</p> <p><b>Money transfer or payment must be made to:</b>  Bank: Bank of Cyprus  Cyprus Badminton Federation  Acc. No 0112-01-023086-00  IBAN: CY04 0020 0112 0000 0001 0230 8600  SWIFT: BCYPCY2N</p>
<p><b>Withdrawals</b></p>	<p>Any withdrawal after the Monday immediately preceding the draw, for any reason whatsoever, renders the Member concerned liable to an amount of US \$150.00 for the inconvenience caused by the withdrawal (as in §22.1).</p> <p>Any player not showing up at the tournament, without having been withdrawn in advance, renders the Member concerned liable to an additional amount of US\$ 500,00 for the inconvenience caused by the „no show“(as in §22.2).</p> <p>The payment of withdrawal fees and “no shows” shall be collected by the BWF and the amount concerning the withdrawal fees shall be</p>

	<p>forwarded to the organisers after US\$ 100,00 per withdrawal is retained by the BWF. However, if the player was entered by the Member under whose jurisdiction the competition is held, then the whole payment shall be retained by the BWF (as in §22.3).</p> <p>Not succeeding in getting a visa for the tournament as a player is not a valid reason to discard a fine for withdrawal or no show (as in §22.4).</p>
<b>Visas</b>	<p>After entering player(s) in the tournament it is the Member Association's responsibility to secure visas for their players – if this is needed. The tournament organizers will do everything possible to enable the entered players to get a visa.</p> <p>For assistance to the organizers of the visa paperwork, information should be sent by e-mail no later than 30<sup>th</sup> September:  <a href="mailto:badminton@cytanet.com.cy">badminton@cytanet.com.cy</a></p> <p>The following information on the foreigner being invited shall be given:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• name(s) and surname;</li> <li>• citizenship (nationality);</li> <li>• date of birth;</li> <li>• place of birth;</li> <li>• the address of the place of residence;</li> <li>• the location (office) where the visa application will likely be submitted</li> </ul>
<b>Minimum Amount of Entries</b>	<p>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. (as in §3.3).</p>
<b>Prize Money</b>	<p>There is no prize money for this tournament.</p>
<b>Clothing</b>	<p>Color, 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. (as in §18.1)</p> <p>It is mandatory that partners in doubles wear the same color of the T-shirt and shorts/skirts at all time during play in both the qualification</p>

	and the main draw. Failing to do so shall result in an administrative fine of 100€ (as in §18.2).
<b>Disclaimer of liability</b>	<p>The organising 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, then the Member organising the tournament is liable for any expenses incurred by third persons (players, coaches, umpires, team managers etc.).</p> <p>BADMINTON EUROPE is not liable for any costs incurred by third persons because of a cancellation of a tournament. (as in §3.4).</p> <p>Due to the Covid19 pandemic, if there is a resurgence in the number of cases, there is a possibility that the event may be cancelled by the authorities. In addition, there may be entry restrictions for participants that will be coming to Cyprus from countries where the Covid19 cases are high. Such restrictions may lead to flight cancellations, entry quarantine for incoming passengers and/or obligatory negative Covid19 tests before entry is allowed. There is a possibility that the tournament may only be allowed to be played without spectators. The organizers have no responsibility for such restrictions or cancellations and will not cover any costs made by third persons in case of not being able to enter the tournament or a cancellation because of Covid19.</p> <p>Member and/or Organiser 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 Member and/or Organisers purchase a proper Insurance Policy that would cover their potential legal liability.</p>
<b>Badminton Integrity</b>	<p>As per BWF request , Section 2.4 of the BWF Statutes (Code of Conduct in Relation to Betting, Wagering and Irregular Match Results) relates to anti-corruption and anti-match manipulation, and this code applies to all participants at this tournament.</p> <p>To protect the integrity of BWF sanctioned tournaments, participants are not allowed to bet in any way on badminton matches, respect the principle of fair play, and shall not attempt to influence the course or result of a game or match.</p> <p>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 matches.</p> <p>For more information, please refer to BWF’s website:  <a href="https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-match-fixing-overview/">https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-match-fixing-overview/</a></p>

<b>Tournament Website</b>	<a href="https://badmintoncyprus.com/">https://badmintoncyprus.com/</a>																														
<b>Further Information</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Food will be provided at the venue. There will be a cafeteria within the venue where players can purchase drinks and healthy fresh cooked real-food.</li> <li>• The organizer will provide free Wi-Fi at the venue.</li> <li>• Within the venue there will be a stringing service.</li> </ul>																														
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<b>ACCOMMODATION</b>	<p>Please fill out the accommodation form and send to <a href="mailto:badminton@cytanet.com.cy">badminton@cytanet.com.cy</a> In the accommodation form, please choose one of the following 2 official hotels:</p> <p><b>ASTY Hotel **</b> 12 Prince Charles Str, PO Box 24502, 1300, Nicosia, Cyprus,</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>B/B</th> <th>Half Board</th> <th>Full Board</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Single room</td> <td>55€</td> <td>65€</td> <td>75€</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Double room</td> <td>85€</td> <td>105€</td> <td>125€</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Triple room</td> <td>110€</td> <td>140€</td> <td>170€</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;">   </div> <p><b>Altius Boutique Hotel ****</b> 1 Acheon Street 1101 Nicosia, Cyprus</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>B/B</th> <th>Half Board</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Single room</td> <td>70€</td> <td>80€</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Double room</td> <td>90€</td> <td>110€</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Triple room</td> <td>110€</td> <td>140€</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>				B/B	Half Board	Full Board	Single room	55€	65€	75€	Double room	85€	105€	125€	Triple room	110€	140€	170€		B/B	Half Board	Single room	70€	80€	Double room	90€	110€	Triple room	110€	140€
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	 <p><b>Note:</b> Please note that rooms will be given out on a first come, first served basis because of limited number of rooms available!  <b>PAYMENT FOR ACCOMMODATION MUST BE SETTLED DIRECTLY WITH THE HOTEL!</b></p> <p>*The organizer will provide transportation from the official hotels to the venue for persons booking their accommodation from the Cyprus Badminton Federation. *</p> <p><b>Accommodation closing date: 28<sup>th</sup> September 2021</b></p>
<p><b>DOPING CONTROL</b></p>	<p>According to Cyprus Law, Drug Testing may be carried out on a random basis at any time.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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).</p> <p>For more information about anti-doping, please visit the BWF website:  <a href="https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-doping-overview/">https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-doping-overview/</a></p>
<p><b>TRANSPORT</b></p>	<p>Transport will be provided between Larnaca Airport and the official hotels for free. Upon arrival at Larnaca you should look for  <b>KAPNOS AIRPORTS SHUTTLE</b>  <a href="http://www.kapnosairportshuttle.com">http://www.kapnosairportshuttle.com</a></p> <p>Make sure you get on one of these buses. Upon arrival at the bus terminal in Nicosia, you will be taken to your hotel (official hotel only) by a taxi or minibus. In order to be met at your arrival, please inform us about your flight details filling in the attached Travel Details Form by September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021.</p> <p>Transport will also be provided by the organizer between the official hotels and the tournament hall free of charge. Buses will run according to a time schedule.</p>

	
<p><b>DEPARTURES</b></p>	<p>It is recommend, that the Players should not plan their departure less than three (3) hours after their last match is planned to conclude, due to the distance and traffic in the area.</p>
<p><b>COVID-19</b></p>	<p>The COVID-19 section on our website <a href="http://www.badmintoncyprus.com">www.badmintoncyprus.com</a> will be updated regularly according to the Ministry of Health guidelines.</p> <p><b><u>CyprusFlightPass</u></b></p> <p>In order to support the containment of COVID-19 in Cyprus all inbound passengers are required to present a 'flight pass' to fly prior to boarding.</p> <p><a href="https://cyprusflightpass.gov.cy/">https://cyprusflightpass.gov.cy/</a></p> <p>To receive a <b>CyprusFlightPass</b> each passenger will need to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Create an account</li> <li>2. Enter personal information</li> <li>3. Add your flight details</li> <li>4. Make <a href="#">legal declarations</a></li> <li>5. You may be required to provide evidence of a negative COVID-19 test</li> <li>6. In the case of minors accompanied or unaccompanied passengers under the age of 18, the Information will be provided and the form will be completed and signed on behalf of the minors, by the custodian parent (s) or the adoptive parent (s) / legal guardian (s) / legal representative(s)</li> </ol> <p>On successful completion of your application you will receive a report including your <b>CyprusFlightPass</b> and all relevant information</p>



which you will be asked to present prior to boarding and on arrival at immigration.

It is strongly recommended that a copy of the Cyprus Flight Pass (digital or physical), is carried by travellers at all times.

### **Country Categories**

Cyprus is following a colour-coded system harmonized with ECDC evaluation standards.

The categorisation of Countries is updated weekly by the Ministry of Health.

<https://cyprusflightpass.gov.cy/en/country-categories>

Below are the entry requirements when somebody is travelling to Cyprus

Entry requirement	Green	Orange	Red	Grey
Cyprus Flight Pass completion 24h prior to departure	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
PCR test 72h prior to departure (traveler-paid)	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
PCR test upon arrival to Cyprus (traveler-paid)	No	No	Yes	No
Mandatory self-isolation upon arrival	No	No	No	Yes

Persons traveling from **GREEN** countries will not need to demonstrate a negative PCR test for COVID-19 when traveling to Cyprus; they only need to provide certain information and solemn declarations.

Persons traveling from **ORANGE** countries are required to undergo a molecular test at a certified lab, with the sample taken during the last 72 hours prior to flight departure and upload a certificate that demonstrates a negative PCR for COVID-19, on the Cyprus Flight Pass Platform.

Persons travelling from **RED** countries are required to undergo molecular test at a certified lab, with the sample taken during the last 72 hours prior to flight departure and upload a certificate that demonstrated a negative PCR for COVID-19, on the Cyprus Flight Pass Platform. They will also need to pay for and undergo a molecular PCR test upon arrival to Cyprus, the cost of which is €30 at Larnaca Airport; results of the test will be available within 3 hours and will be shared with the traveller by SMS.

### **Vaccinated Persons**

Travelers who can prove that they have received all necessary doses of an authorized vaccine, will not be required to undergo any tests to visit Cyprus, irrespective of colour-categorization of their country of departure. Moreover, they will not be placed in quarantine, even in the case when they are close contacts of a positive COVID-19 case. The above facilitation will be valid from the date that a vaccine has been fully administered, with the exception of Johnson and Johnson, where the facilitation will be valid two weeks after vaccination.

Prior to travel, a copy of the vaccination certificate must be uploaded onto the Cyprus Flight Pass platform and certain vaccination details must also be provided.

It should be noted that the Republic of Cyprus still reserves the right to randomly test any arriving flight.

**Nicosia – The Capital**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
<b>Avg. Temperature</b>	12	13	16	21	27	30	33	32	29	24	18	14
<b>Avg. Max Temperature</b>	14	16	18	23	29	33	36	36	32	28	21	17
<b>Avg. Min Temperature</b>	6	5	7	10	16	19	22	22	19	15	10	7
<b>Avg. Rain Days</b>	5	3	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	3	3



**30-45 minutes excursions from Nicosia**



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