
Invitation to

FZ FORZA FINNISH YOUTH 2022

Categories U9, U11, U13, U15 & U17
played alongside the Finnish Junior (U19) tournament

DATES OF THE TOURNAMENT

Friday to Sunday, 28-30 October 2022

ORGANIZER

Espoon Sulkapallo-Badminton (ESB) & Badminton Finland
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VENUE

Otahalli, Otaranta 6, 02150 Espoo, Finland / [Google-map](#)
Tournament will be played on 13 courts

EVENTS

Boys' (BS) and girls' (GS) singles, boys' (BD) and girls' (GD) doubles and mixed doubles (XD) in each age category.

U17: players born in 2006 or later
U15: players born in 2008 or later
U13: players born in 2010 or later
U11: players born in 2012 or later
U9: players born in 2014 or later

A player can participate in maximum in three events: one singles, one doubles and one mixed double.

In case the player also participates in the Finnish Junior tournament for some event, the player cannot play in the same event in the Youth tournament. For example, it is possible to play singles in Youth, and then doubles and mixed doubles in the Junior tournament, but it is not possible to play singles in both tournaments.

The organizer has the right to cancel an event with too few entries, or to combine such an event with the same type of event of an older age group.

DRAW

In the singles events, preliminary pools of 3 or 4 players will be played. The two best players of each pool will continue to the main draw and the other players will continue to the consolation draw except in U15 and U17 where only main draw will be played. The main and consolation draws will be played in a knock-out system.

The doubles events will be played in a knock-out system.

In all U9, U11 and U13 events, a bronze-medal match will be played only in the main draw.

The seeding and draw will be done by the organizers and the referee, according to Finnish Junior Elite tour regulations.

ENTRIES

Foreign entries:

Please fill the Tournament Entry Form available at the [Tournament Website](#) and send it via email to finnishjunior@gmail.com

Entry closing date: **Friday, October 7th, 2021** 23:59 local time (=GMT +03:00)

Finnish entries:

Through Badminton Finland entry system.

ENTRY FEES AND PAYMENT

Entry fees for the tournament are (shuttles included):

EUR 37 per player in singles events.

EUR 22 per player in doubles events.

The Member Association is responsible for paying the entry fees. The entry fee becomes due if a player is entered and has not been withdrawn when the entry deadline passes.

The entry fees are invoiced and must be paid by bank transfer before the tournament. If the entry fee is not paid in time, the player may not be allowed to start the match.

Organizers are allowed to refuse entries if players have outstanding fees from a previous year(s).

The bank transfer information for paying the entry fees:

Account owner: Suomen Sulkapalloliitto ry

Bank: Nordea

IBAN: FI48 1454 3000 1022 05

BIC: NDEAFIHH

CLOTHING

Acceptable badminton clothing.

PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE

The tournament provisional schedule is as follows:

Day	First round to start	Last round to start
Friday 28 th Oct	11:00	21:00
Saturday 29 th Oct	09:00	20:00
Sunday 30 st Oct	09:00	

REFEREES

Referee: TBC

BRAND OF SHUTTLECOCKS

FZ FORZA.

INSURANCE

The organizer declines any responsibility and covering of costs for possible injuries or other damages. It is up to all participants to insure themselves.

VISAS

Important for all players who need visa for Finland. Please contact as soon as possible but **latest on 29.9.2022** finnishjunior@gmail.com for arrangements. Visa Application Form can be downloaded from the [Tournament Website](#).

ACCOMMODATION

The official tournament hotel is the brand-new Hotel Matts (<https://www.hotelmatts.fi/en/>) offering you either the standard double room option or spacious apartments with kitchens and perks like laundry and drying machines. Both options include the hotel breakfast. There's room up to five persons in one apartment.

Besides being next to the second biggest shopping mall in Finland, the hotel is next to the Matinkylä metro station, 7 minutes from the Otaniemi station. In addition, the tournament shuttle bus will transport you during the peak hours between the sports arena and the hotel.

We have a very good deal with Hotel Matts. Please email finnishjunior@gmail.com to get the tournament pricing deal, booking code and instructions.

To ensure your stay at the official tournament hotel, please book your accommodation already by Fri 23.9.2022.

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation is provided by the organizer from the [Helsinki Vantaa Airport](#), Helsinki harbor or Helsinki railway station to the tournament hotel and back.

Fee for the transportation is EUR 25 per person for return ticket. One-way tickets are *not* available.

Teams or players arriving by plane, ferry or train:

Please contact finnishjunior@gmail.com to organize your transportation. Transport Request Form can be downloaded from the [Tournament Website](#).

Deadline for bookings is Friday 14.10.2022.

MEALS

Pre-booked hot meals are available on each tournament day at the venue. Meals have to be reserved Friday 21.10.2022 at the latest.

The reservation is done with a separate Meals Reservation Form which can be downloaded from the [Tournament Website](#). Pre-order price for a meal is 11 EUR. Meals are guaranteed to be available for pre-orders only. Walk-in purchases are subject to availability.

Pre-ordered meals will be invoiced in advance and made payable to ESB bank account. Team leaders pick up the meal coupons for whole team from tournament info.

The bank transfer information for paying the meal coupons:

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PRACTICE

If requested, we will organize you practice courts during the tournament week (Mon 24. – Sat 29.10.).

Please be early with your practice requests, as the times are sold out fast. Place your request latest on Sun 16.10. by email to finnishjunior@gmail.com with a title "Practice request / [name]".

Provisional availability of the practice courts:

Location, Forever Matinkylä, 13 courts in total – paid at cashier in Forever:

Mon 8:00 – 15:30
Tue 8:00 – 15:30
Wed 8:00 – 15:30
Thu 8:00 – 15:30
Fri 8:00 – 15:30
Sat 9:00 – 20:00

Location, Otahalli (the tournament venue) – included in the tournament fee:

Thu 8:00 – 20:00, 8 courts, before the hall is transformed to the tournament setup

For Mon-Wed times in Otahalli, you may reserve the courts yourself directly from their sales service: +358 294 122 151

OTHER INFORMATION

Shuttles and other badminton equipment are sold at the tournament hall.

KEY DATES

Deadline for	Date
Tournament hotel booking	September 23, 2022
Visa Applications	September 29, 2022
Entries	October 7, 2022
Withdrawals	October 10, 2022
Draw	October 11, 2022
Transportation reservations	October 14, 2022
Meals reservations	October 21, 2022