



33rd Iran Fajr International Challenge 2025

28th January – 2nd February 2025

**Alghadir Sports Hall
Semnan, Iran**

Email: info@iranbadminton.org

Prize money: US\$ 17,500

Prospectus

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Organizer	I.R. of Iran Badminton Federation Address: No. 12, Hejab St, Keshavarz Blvd, Tehran, Iran Mobile phone: 00989359682224 Tel: 0098 21 8898 4439-41 Fax: 0098 21 8898 4438 Email: info@iranbadminton.org
Sanctioned by	Badminton World Federation (BWF) & Badminton Asia
Date	28th January (Tuesday) – 2nd February (Sunday) 2025
Venue	Alghadir Sports Hall Basij blvd., Semnan, Iran
Media Links	Website: www.iranbadminton.org Facebook & Telegram & Instagram: @iranbadmintonfederation
Referee	Ms. Hutham Ismail Hamood (IRQ) Email: huthamhamood@gmail.com
Deputy Referee	Ms. Fariba Madadi (IRI) Email: madadi_fariba@yahoo.com
Entries	<p>Member Associations are advised to submit their entries ONLINE at the link provided: https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/tournament/A5BA086B-31E4-4158-A816-02846C466F30</p> <p>Entry Deadline: Tuesday, 31st December 2024</p> <p>Kindly contact Mr. Shanmugam at s.ramachandran@bwf.sport for the username and password if required. The online entry page will close immediately on the entry closing date at 23:59 p.m. Badminton Asia Headquarters time (+08:00h GMT).</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All late submissions including technical error will not be accepted. 2. All entries MUST be submitted by ranking order 3. No changes to the entries is allowed except for withdrawal after the release of the M&Q Report. 4. All entries MUST only be submitted through your Members Association. <p>For members who are having technical difficulties, kindly contact Mr. Haziq at haziq@badmintonasia.org before the Entry Deadline provided above.</p> <p>After the closing date, the BWF Online Entry System will send notification to all participating Member Associations confirming receipt of final entries. Receipt of this notification is the conclusive evidence of receipt of entries before the deadline. The Member Associations should contact BWF immediately if such notice is not received by the Wednesday (next day of the entries closing date) by noon BWF Headquarters time (+08.00h GMT) following close of entries.</p> <p>If no objection is received by BWF by Thursday (second day after the entries closing day) 23.59 hours BWF Headquarters time (+08.00h GMT) following the close of entries, the entries shall be deemed to be correct. No complaints / objections shall be entertained after this point.</p>



Entry Fee	Singles: US \$ 100.00 per player Doubles: US \$ 80.00 per player per event (Total: US \$160.00 per pair)																																																	
	<p>Note: Entry fees must be paid in cash at the tournament before the first scheduled match.</p> <p>The Member Association that enters a player into the 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 passes. The entry fees will not be refunded in the case of a withdrawal.</p> <p>Failing which may result in the players being removed from participation.</p>																																																	
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Important Note	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Men and Women events will be held separately and men are not allowed in the venue during the women's event session, except in Mixed Doubles events. Non-Iranian Women players are required to wear a shawl or hat during prize presentation. 																																				
Format of Play	Rally point system: 3 x 21 points Play will be in accordance with the Laws of badminton as mentioned on the web site of BWF.																																				
Competition Rules & Regulation	Relevant Badminton World Federation Regulations shall be applicable to this competition.																																				
Prize Money & Medals	<p>Total Prize Money of US\$ 17,500 (tax free) will be distributed at the Prize Giving Ceremony, copy of passport are required for verifications purposes.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse; text-align: center;"> <thead> <tr style="background-color: #FFD700;"> <th></th> <th>Event</th> <th>Champion</th> <th>Runner-up</th> <th>Semi-finalists</th> <th>Quarter-finalists</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>*</td> <td>Men's Singles</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>*</td> <td>Women's Singles</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>**</td> <td>Men's Doubles</td> <td>US\$ 1,400</td> <td>US\$ 840</td> <td>US\$ 350</td> <td>US\$ 140</td> </tr> <tr> <td>**</td> <td>Women's Doubles</td> <td></td> <td>US\$ 870</td> <td>US\$ 400</td> <td>US\$ 170</td> </tr> <tr> <td>**</td> <td>Mixed Doubles</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>* - Per Player, ** - Per Pair The organizer will pay the prize money in cash in the closing Ceremony which will be held after MD's Final for WS/WD/MS/MD and after XD's Final for XD. Medals will be awarded to all winners, runners-up and 2 semi-finalists in the closing Ceremony.</p>		Event	Champion	Runner-up	Semi-finalists	Quarter-finalists	*	Men's Singles					*	Women's Singles					**	Men's Doubles	US\$ 1,400	US\$ 840	US\$ 350	US\$ 140	**	Women's Doubles		US\$ 870	US\$ 400	US\$ 170	**	Mixed Doubles				
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Prize Presentation Ceremony	<p>The Medal & Prize presenting Ceremony of XD will take place on Saturday, 1 February 2025, immediately after the conclusion of the final match, and the Medal & Prize presenting Ceremony of Men/ Women Singles/ Doubles will take place on Sunday 2 February 2025 immediately after the conclusion of Women's/ Men's Finals.</p> <p>Medals/ Prize/ trophies/ other will be presented to all champions, runners-up & semi-finalists. In accordance with Player Commitment Regulations (BWF Statue 5.3.6), all players participating in the finals of a tournament must attend the final ceremonies and must follow the instructions given by the organizers regarding ceremony protocols.</p> <p>Only Finalists, Prize presenters and authorized persons are allowed on the field of play during the medal & prize presentation ceremony. No equipment, including rackets and flags, are allowed to be brought onto the podium.</p> <p>Clothing worn during the ceremony must be in accordance with the BWF GCR 24.3</p>																																				
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Withdrawals	<p>The management of withdrawals will be run in accordance with BWF GCR 13 and 14. Member Associations can withdraw their entries through the BWF Online Group Entry system until the last date of withdrawal without penalty (see Key Dates Section)</p> <p>Withdrawals made after this date will incur a penalty in accordance with the BWF Table of Offences and Penalties (BWF Statute 2.5).</p> <p>Please ensure that the Tournament Referee and Host Organiser are notified immediately in writing, clearly stating the reason for the withdrawal.</p>																																				



	<p>If a Member Association needs to withdraw any entries once players have arrived in the host city, notification of withdrawal must be made by the Team Manager in person to the Tournament Referee, or Deputy Referee(s), and must also be confirmed in writing to: Referee: Ms. Hutham Ismail Hamood (IRQ) Email: huthamhamood@gmail.com Deputy referee: Ms. Fariba Madadi Email: Madadi_fariba@yahoo.com</p>
Clothing & Advertising	<p>Clothing and advertising will be permitted in accordance with the competition regulations of Badminton World Federation. (GCR 20 - 24)</p> <p>The player's name on the back of clothing shall be identical with the name registered as the Last Name (or an abbreviation thereof) in the BWF Player database. Last Name is defined as the family name, surname or similar name under the respective naming protocol of the Member count. (GCR 23.3)</p> <p><u>MANDATORY CLOTHING REGULATIONS</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Name of player is MANDATORY from the first day of the event. 2. From Quarter Finals onwards, doubles partners must wear clothing of the same color. 3. From Quarter Finals onwards, opposing players must wear clothing of significantly different colors.
On Court Doctor	<p>On Court Doctor will be on duty throughout the competition at the tournament Venue.</p>
Doping Control	<p>Doping Test may be conducted randomly throughout the tournament. 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: https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-doping-overview/</p>
Badminton Integrity	<p>Section 2.4 of the BWF Statutes (Code on The Prevention of The Manipulation of Competitions) relates to anti-corruption and anti-match manipulation, and this code applies to all participants at this tournament. To protect the integrity of BWF sanctioned tournaments, participants are not allowed to bet in any way on badminton matches, shall 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 match(es).</p> <p>For more information, please refer to BWF's website: https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-match-fixing-overview/</p>
Compliance with GCR 7.9	<p>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>
Technical Officials Briefing	<p>Monday, 27 January 2025 at 15:00 p.m. Venue: TBC Address: TBC</p>
Team Managers Meeting	<p>Monday, 27 January 2025 at 16:00 p.m. Venue: TBC Address: TBC</p> <p><i>* As per BWF Regulations, each Team must be represented in the Team Managers Meeting. Failing to attend may result in penalty.</i></p>



Visa Application	<p>All players and officials, who require visa to enter Iran and need a Visa Letter, must submit their full details (visa form, passport copy and personal photo) to Ms. Mina Karizi by Email: int.bad.tournaments@gmail.com no later than Tuesday, 31 December 2024.</p> <p><u>After the above-mentioned deadline, it is not guaranteed for issuing the reference number for Visa Letter.</u> Contact Number: 00989359682224 (Ms. Mina Karizi)</p> <p>Important Note:</p> <p>* Please note, the letter of invitation we provide does not guarantee issue of visa or an entry into Iran. The final decision is made by the Iran Embassy / High Commission in your country. It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that they apply for their visa sufficiently in advance. Any issues with the visa application need to be dealt directly with the Consular Officer who is dealing with your application.</p> <p>** The tournament host and hosting Member Association will only communicate with a Member Association, and the hosting Member Association will only provide a visa support letter if the form is completed accurately and comprehensively, and supporting documentation is provided, where requested.</p>
Accreditation	<p>The Accreditation Form should be filled out and mailed to Ms. Mina Karizi at int.bad.tournaments@gmail.com not later than Friday, 17 January 2025.</p>
Hotel / Accommodation Reservation	<p>To be confirmed by 1 January 2025.</p> <p>Please complete the Hotel Booking Form and return the form by email to int.bad.tournaments@gmail.com latest by Friday, 17 January 2025.</p>
Transportation	<p>Transport will be provided by the organizer ONLY from the Imam Khomeini International Airport (IKA), Tehran, for teams whom had make the hotel bookings through the organizer, the distance from Airport to Hotel is 3 Hours.</p> <p>Please complete and return the transportation form to Ms. Mina Karizi by e-mail: int.bad.tournaments@gmail.com no later than Friday, 17 January 2025.</p>
Practice Sessions	<p>Practice Schedule will be arranged according to the teams' arrival details and number of players in each team.</p>
Indemnity & Insurance	<p>Any participating associations and its delegated competitors / officials should agree to indemnity and not hold the Organizer, Host Organizer, and their respective organizing committee, officers, officials, employees, agents, and representative accountable for and against any claims for all liabilities, damage, personal injury, financial loss, death or property damage, in any form, arising out of or in any way resulting from the participation in, postponement or cancellation of the said tournament.</p> <p>The organizer will NOT be responsible for any injury sustained, at any time, by any player or official arising from his participation in these Championships. Any costs incurred for medical treatment and / or hospitalization shall be borne by the Member Association of the player / official concerned.</p> <p>Please ensure that your players & team officials possess the requisite insurance coverage to meet current requirements. All Teams are responsible for their players, coaches, official's health and fitness.</p> <p>All Teams are to check and ensure their players are medically fit to play in this tournament.</p>



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