



ASTANA INTERNATIONAL CHALLENGE 2025

17th to 21st December 2025

Astana city,
Republic of Kazakhstan

Prospectus

Astana International Challenge 2025

Organizer	Kazakhstan Badminton Federation Address: Republic of Kazakhstan, Astana city, Kabanbay Batyr Avenue 19, apt 42 Tel: +7 701 641 91 33 Email: office@kbf.kz
Host Organizer	Kazakhstan Badminton Federation Address: Republic of Kazakhstan, Astana city, Kabanbay Batyr Avenue 19, apt 42 Tel: +7 701 641 91 33 Email: office@kbf.kz
Main Contact Person / Tournament Manager	Mr. Balykov Beket Email: astana.challenge@kbf.kz Phone No: +7 701 641 91 33
Referee	Ms. Fariba Madadi (IRN) Email: madadi_fariba@yahoo.com
Deputy Referee	Mr. Askar Ormanov (KAZ) Email: oaskar@bk.ru
Sanctioned by	Badminton World Federation & Badminton Asia
Date	17 th (Wednesday) – 21 th (Sunday) December 2025
Venue	Beeline Arena Republic of Kazakhstan, Astana city, Turan Avenue 4/2
Entry Fee	<p>Singles: US\$ 70 Per Player Doubles: US\$ 50 Per Player (US\$ 100 Per Pair) Online transfer /cash upon arrival.</p> <p><u>Bank Transfer Details</u></p> <p>Bank Name : JSC Halyk Bank Address of Bank : 40 Al-Farabi ave., A26M3K5, Almaty, Kazakhstan Bank SWIFT Code : HSBKZZKX Beneficiary Account Name : Kazakhstan Badminton Federation Beneficiary Address : Kazakhstan, Astana, Kabanbai Batyr Ave., 19, apt. 42 Account Number : KZ76 601 A871 041704 991 Correspondent Bank in USD : The Bank of New York Mellon Correspondent account : № 8900372605 held with The Bank of New York Mellon, New York, USA, SWIFT/BIC: IRVTUS3N Correspondent Bank in USD : JPMorgan Chase Bank NA Correspondent account : № 387222281 held with JPMorgan Chase Bank NA, New York, USA, SWIFT/BIC: CHASUS33</p> <p>Note: Entry fees must be transferred online / 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 The entry fees become due if a player is entered and has not been withdrawn when the entry deadline passes.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> <p>Kindly send by email: office@kbf.kz for more information for online payment procedures or invoices.</p>

Member Associations are advised to submit your entries **ONLINE** at the link provided:
<https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/tournament/1A4E4E97-7A9A-4FE7-95F8-824B0379A2F5>

Entry Deadline: Tuesday, 18th November 2025

Kindly contact **BWF** at technicalevents@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).

1. All late submissions including technical errors will **not be accepted**.
2. All entries **MUST** be submitted by ranking order
3. **No changes** to the entries are allowed except for withdrawal after the release of the M&Q Report.
4. All entries **MUST** only be submitted through your Members Association.

For members who are having technical difficulties, kindly contact **Mr. Haziq** at haziq@badmintonasia.org before the Entry deadline provided above.

After the closing date, the BWF Online Entry System will send a 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 (the next day of the entries closing date) by noon BWF Headquarters time (+08.00h GMT) following close of entries.

If no objection is received by BWF by Thursday (the 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.

Entries

Tentative Timetable

Day	Date	Start Time	Court/s	Program
Tuesday	16 th December 2025	16:00 Hours	-	Technical Officials Briefing
		17:00 Hours	-	Team Managers Meeting
Wednesday	17 th December 2025	09:00 Hours	4	Preliminary Rounds
Thursday	18 th December 2025	09:00 Hours	4	Preliminary Rounds
Friday	19 th December 2025	09:00 Hours	4	Quarter Finals
Saturday	20 th December 2025	09:00 Hours	2	All Semi Finals
Sunday	21 th December 2025	09:00 Hours	1	All Finals

*Alterations due to TV coverage or any other reasons to the order of play is possible at the discretion of the **Referee**.

*All events are on a strict timetable system, match will be forfeited if the player is not present during the time of play when their match is scheduled.

Events & Draw Size

Event	Entries - Main Draw		No. of Entries - Qualifying draw
	Direct	Qualifiers	
Men's Singles	24	8	32
Women's Singles	24	8	32
Men's Doubles	24	8	16
Women's Doubles	24	8	16
Mixed Doubles	24	8	16

Format of Play

Rally Point System: 3 x 21 points,
 Play will be in accordance to the Laws of Badminton as mentioned on the web site of BWF

Prize Money & Medals	The total amount of the prize money will be US\$ 17,500 (including taxes for citizens of the Republic of Kazakhstan – in the amount of 10%, for non-residents 20% according to the Tax Code of the Republic of Kazakhstan, which will be transferred to the budget of the Republic of Kazakhstan), which will be distributed at the specified price after the winners submit a copy of their passport.					
		Event	Champion	Runner-up	Semi-finalists	Quarter-finalists
	*	Men's Singles				
	*	Women's Singles				
	**	Men's Doubles	US\$ 1400	US\$ 840	US\$ 350	US\$ 140
**	Women's Doubles					
**	Mixed Doubles					
<p>A player may only participate in a maximum of 3 Events (1 Singles, 1 Doubles & 1 Mixed Doubles)</p> <p>* - Per Player, ** - Per Pair</p> <p>The organizer will pay the prize money in cash during the prize giving Ceremony to the Finalists Medals will be rewarded to all winners & runners up.</p>						
Key Dates	Entry closing Main and Qualifying List – World Ranking date				Tuesday, 18th November 2025	
	M & Q Publish Date				Tuesday, 21st November 2025	
	Last date for Withdrawals Without Penalty				Tuesday, 08th December 2025	
	Seeding Report – World Ranking date Draw				Friday, 09th December 2025	
<p>* All Documents can be found in Badminton Asia Website</p> <p>Badminton Asia Website: https://badmintonasia.org/calendar/astana-international-challenge-2025/</p> <p>BWF Fansite (Schedule & Results): https://bwfbadminton.com/tournament/5533/astana-international-challenge-2025</p>						
Shuttles	LING-MEI 90					
Withdrawals	<p>The management of withdrawals will be run in accordance with BWF GCR 13 and 14.</p> <p>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:</p> <p>Referee: Fariba Madadi (IRN) Email: madadi_fariba@yahoo.com</p> <p>Deputy Referee: Askar Ormanov (KAZ) Email: oaskar@bk.ru</p>					

Competition Rules & Regulation	<p>Relevant Badminton World Federation Regulations shall be applicable to this competition.</p> <p>Update Seed Withdrawal Movement will be implemented in this tournament You may refer to BWF STATUTES General Competition Regulation 11.3</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 the player is MANDATORY from the first day of the event. 2. From Quarter Final onwards, doubles partners must wear clothing of the same colour and similar design. 3. From Quarter Final onwards, opposing players must wear clothing of significantly different colours.
On Court Doctor	<p>On Court Doctor will be on duty throughout the competition at the tournament Venue.</p>
Doping Control	<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: 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.</p> <p>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>16th December 2025 (Tuesday) at 16:00 Hours Venue: Beeline Arena, Republic of Kazakhstan, Astana city, Turan Avenue 4/2</p>
Team Managers Meeting	<p>16th December 2025 (Tuesday) at 17:00 Hours Venue: Beeline Arena, Republic of Kazakhstan, Astana city, Turan Avenue 4/2</p>
Visa Application	<p>Important for all players who need visa for Kazakhstan. All players and officials who require visa to enter Kazakhstan and needed assistance, kindly submit full scanned passport/ names/ passport no/ date of issue & expiry, date & place of birth to Badminton Association of Kazakhstan by e-mail astana.challenge@kbf.kz no later than Saturday, 01st November 2025.</p>

Hotel / Accommodation Reservation	<p>Reikartz Park Astana (4 Star) Address: 18 Kerey-Zhanibek khandar street, 010000 Astana, Kazakhstan</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Room type</th> <th>Single occupancy with breakfast</th> <th>Double occupancy with breakfast</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>standard Twin Economy</td> <td>18 000 KZT</td> <td>23 000 KZT</td> </tr> <tr> <td>standard Twin</td> <td>22 500 KZT</td> <td>29 700 KZT</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Standard Twin Superior</td> <td>31 500 KZT</td> <td>38 700 KZT</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Superior Double Economy (one King size bed)</td> <td>23 000 KZT</td> <td>28 000 KZT</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Superior Double (one King size bed)</td> <td>27 000 KZT</td> <td>34 200 KZT</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Booking rooms through the booking service by WhatsApp number: +7 702 51 51 849 (Zarina)</p> <p>King Hotel Astana (4 Star) Address: 7 Valikhanov street, 010000 Astana, Kazakhstan</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Room type</th> <th>Price per room with breakfast</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Standard single room (Quine size bed)</td> <td>22 500 KZT</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Business Double room (Two separate single beds)</td> <td>27 000 KZT</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Business single room (One King size bed)</td> <td>27 000 KZT</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Prestige single room (One King size bed)</td> <td>30 000 KZT</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Booking rooms through the booking service by WhatsApp number: +7 705 740 43 95 (Aygul)</p>	Room type	Single occupancy with breakfast	Double occupancy with breakfast	standard Twin Economy	18 000 KZT	23 000 KZT	standard Twin	22 500 KZT	29 700 KZT	Standard Twin Superior	31 500 KZT	38 700 KZT	Superior Double Economy (one King size bed)	23 000 KZT	28 000 KZT	Superior Double (one King size bed)	27 000 KZT	34 200 KZT	Room type	Price per room with breakfast	Standard single room (Quine size bed)	22 500 KZT	Business Double room (Two separate single beds)	27 000 KZT	Business single room (One King size bed)	27 000 KZT	Prestige single room (One King size bed)	30 000 KZT
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Transportation	<p>Airport transport to be provided from International Airport Astana (NQZ) for players that booked and stay at the official hotel upon request only. Please complete the Transportation Form to email: astana.challenge@kbf.kz, no later than Monday, 01st December 2025 No transportation will be provided if the form is submitted after the due date.</p>																												
Practice Sessions	<p>TEST COURT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Date: 16th December 2025 • Time: 12:00 - 20:00 hours • Venue: Beeline Arena • Address: Republic of Kazakhstan, Astana city, Turan Avenue 4/2 <p>Booking/Reservation information: Please complete and return the Test Request Form by email: office@kbf.kz not later than Monday, 01st December 2025</p> <p>Test Court requests are subject to the discretion and approval of Tournament Referee.</p>																												
Accreditation	<p>Please submit your Accreditation Forms to astana.challenge@kbf.kz not later than Monday, 01st December 2025</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>																												

All Teams are to check and ensure their players & Officials are medically fit to participate in this tournament.

Important Deadlines	Items	Deadline	Useful Contacts/Links
	Entry Deadline M&Q Ranking Date	Tuesday 18th November 2025	Online Entry Link: https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/tournament/1A4E4E97-7A9A-4FE7-95F8-824B0379A2F5
	M&Q Publish Date	Friday 21st November 2025	Badminton Asia Website & BWF Fan site
	Visa Invitation Letter	Saturday 01st November 2025	astana.challenge@kbf.kz
	Accreditation	Monday	
	Flight Details	01st December 2025	
	Hotel Reservation	<i>first-come, first-served</i>	Reikartz Park Astana (4 Star) Booking service by WhatsApp number: +7 702 51 51 849 (Zarina) King Hotel Astana (4 Star) Booking service by WhatsApp number: +7 705 740 43 95 (Aygul)
Last Date of Withdrawal without Penalty	Monday 08th December 2025	Badminton Asia Website & BWF Fan site	
Seeding Ranking Date & Draw's Report	Tuesday 09th December 2025		

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