

## Invitation to compete in Open Nordic Senior Championships 2011 Organizer Espoon Sulkapallo-Badminton (ESB) on behalf of Badminton Finland

<b>Venue</b>	Sportscentre "Forever" Matinkartanontie 1 02230 Espoo Finland Venue has sprung wooden floor with 13 green painted courts
<b>Dates of championships</b>	Friday, October 7th to Sunday, October 9 <sup>th</sup> 2011
<b>Entry Fee</b>	Euro 30,- per player in singles Euro 30,- per pair in doubles Entry fees are payable to Espoon Sulkapallo-Badminton after receipt of invoice.
<b>Entries</b>	<p><b>Age groups</b> All 5 events will be played at the Championships in the age groups:  35+/ 40+/ 45+/ 50+/ 55+/ 60+/ 65+/70+</p> <p><b>Number of starts</b> Player is allowed to play in 1 singles, 1 doubles and 1 mixed.</p> <p><b>Eligibility</b> A player is eligible to compete provided he or she fulfils the age requirements on 1 January of the year in which the Championships are played.</p> <p>A player is eligible to enter an event for players younger than the age group he or she qualifies to play in. He or she may, however, not play in the same event in more than one age group.</p> <p>If the event limit is not reached: For any event not having received the required minimum number of entries, organizer shall have the right to put the entered players/pairs to another age group. The entered players will be changed to the next younger age group until the required group size is reached.</p> <p><b>Member Association Quota:</b> Nordic Member Association of Denmark, Iceland, Norway and Sweden shall be entitled to enter in each age group: 4 players in men's singles 4 players in women's singles 8 players in each doubles event (men's doubles, women's doubles and mixed doubles).</p>

	<p>Host nation Finland shall be entitled to enter in each age group:          6 players in men's singles          6 players in women's singles          12 players in each doubles event (men's doubles, women's doubles and mixed doubles).</p> <p><b>Other</b>          Entries may be submitted directly by any Club that is member of Member Association. Entries must contain the date of birth of each player.          The minimum entry in each event will be 4 players/pairs.</p>
<b>Closing date</b>	<p><b>Entries must be received by Espoon Sulkapallo-Badminton not later than 9th September, 2011.</b>          Please send the entries to <a href="mailto:onsc2011@espoonsulkapallo.net">onsc2011@espoonsulkapallo.net</a>          Please use the official entry form when entering the event.</p>
<b>Tournament webpage</b>	<a href="http://www.onsc2011.net">www.onsc2011.net</a>
<b>Referee</b>	Mr. Ilkka Vainio, (FIN) tel +358 40 756 2325 email: <a href="mailto:onsc2011@espoonsulkapallo.net">onsc2011@espoonsulkapallo.net</a>
<b>Deputy referee</b>	Mr. Ari Vartiainen, (FIN) tel +358 40 760 5414 email: <a href="mailto:onsc2011@espoonsulkapallo.net">onsc2011@espoonsulkapallo.net</a>
<b>Committee of management</b>	Mr. Heimo Ilonen, email: <a href="mailto:onsc2011@espoonsulkapallo.net">onsc2011@espoonsulkapallo.net</a>
<b>Shuttles</b>	National association approved shuttles, provided by players
<b>Regulations</b>	<p>The Tournament will be played in accordance with the Laws and Regulations as adopted by the Badminton World Federation. In addition, the organizer will implement rules for accepting amount of participants and system of play. Priority is to ensure maximum number of matches possible considering available facilities. Therefore both cup system and pool system may be implemented in the beginning.</p> <p>Winners and runner ups are awarded with purpose-made ONSC medals.</p>
<b>Clothing and advertising</b>	Only acceptable badminton sports clothing will be permitted during play. BWF advertisement rules do not apply.
<b>Anti doping testing</b>	According to the existing law in Finland anti doping testing may be carried out on a random basis at any time.
<b>Insurance</b>	<p>Any medical treatment necessary away from the sports hall (e.g. at hotels or hospitalization due to serious illness or injury) is at the players or officials own expense.</p> <p>It is recommended that associations of players or individual participants cover these risks by medical insurance.</p>
<b>Visa Application</b>	<p>It is the responsibility of any nation or player needing a visa to travel to Finland to make sure that visa applications are made early enough.</p> <p>The fact that visas cannot be obtained, will NOT be accepted as an excuse for a withdrawal.</p>

<b>Accommodation info</b>	<p><b>The Championships official hotel is</b></p> <p><b>Sokos Hotel Tapiola Garden, Espoo</b> <a href="http://www.sokoshotels.fi/hotellit/espoo/">http://www.sokoshotels.fi/hotellit/espoo/</a></p> <p>It is possible to book single or double rooms.</p> <p>The prices, per room, are: Single rooms – 64€ Standard Class single occupancy room Double rooms – 74€ Standard Class double occupancy room</p> <p>Rates include breakfast buffet and VAT</p> <p>You can make hotel reservations directly to hotel: E-mail: <a href="mailto:sokos.hotels@sok.fi">sokos.hotels@sok.fi</a> Telephone: +358 20 1234 600 / individual room reservations (not later than 20 September 2011).</p> <p>Please quote name of the hotel and the allotment code <b>ONSC</b> when making a booking. Please notice that special rate is not available in the internet.</p> <p><b>Transportation</b> Transportation between hotel and venue is available by bus, taxi and shuttle. Shuttle cost is 25€ for 3 days return trip hotel-venue-hotel. Please pre-book transport in the entry form. The fee will be invoiced together with entry fee.</p> <p><b>Saturday night dinner for players</b> Organizers are arranging dinner for Saturday night October 8<sup>th</sup> at hotel. Participation fee is 30€. Please pre-book dinner in the entry form. The fee will be invoiced together with entry fee.</p> <p>For more information – please go to the official tournament webpage.</p>
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