**EVENT INFORMATION**

# WELCOME

Birmingham, England Squash and the four host clubs are very much looking forward to welcoming you to the Dunlop British Junior Open in January 2019

Individuals wishing to enter should register online through the European Squash Tournament Software website - <http://esf.tournamentsoftware.com/sport/tournament.aspx?id=797FCFBB-8A2C-45C4-A6A1-EA56FC394969>

Nations wishing to enter and pay for a group of players need to download and enter through the National Group Entry Form.

We hope this document gives you a lot more information on the event with some key information on certain areas

Designated event website – <http://www.britishjunioropen.com/>

# ENTRY FEE AND CLOSING DATE

Entry fee is £60 – this will include the welcome pack

Closing date is 12th November at midnight. Entries will only be accepted if a valid SPIN number is associated to the player and payment is received

# CATEGORIES

Boys + Girls under 19 / 17 / 15 / 13 / U11\* Championships (Players may only enter one category)

All matches will be played as best of 5 games

All matches will be played PAR (point a rally) to 11. Should the score reach 10 all a player needs to win by 2 points

\*U11 is not a recognised category for rankings

# VENUES

**Edgbaston Priory Club**, Sir Harrys Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham, B15 2UZ - [www.edgbastonpriory.com](http://www.edgbastonpriory.com)

**University of Birmingham Sport and Fitness**, Birmingham, B15 2TT - [www.sportandfitness.bham.ac.uk](http://www.sportandfitness.bham.ac.uk)

**Solihull Arden Club**, Sharmans Cross Road, Solihull, B91 1RG - [www.solihullarden.co.uk](http://www.solihullarden.co.uk)

**West Warwickshire Sports Club**, Grange Road, Solihull, B91 1DA - [www.westwarwicks.co.uk](http://www.westwarwicks.co.uk)

# ELIGIBILITY & MATCHES

Any player shall be entitled to enter providing:

* They are under the appropriate age on 6th January 2019
* **They have a valid SPIN Number**
* **Their entry is endorsed by their National Governing Body (appointed/approved coach/manager).**

The event is a monrad format, but due to the anticipated entry numbers, there is the possibility that not everyone will finish in a single finishing position. For example, players may have a finishing position of 33 / 34 or 93 / 96.

Any player not selected will be placed on a reserve list, unless otherwise stated on the entry form. Any player withdrawing at any time from the first round draws will be replaced, if possible, by a reserve. The right is reserved to reschedule matches at any time.

**NOTE: Non-British associations may enter up to 5 players in each category**

# HOTEL, TRANSPORT AND FOOD PACKAGES

## Hotel and Transport

We are delighted to partner with CSE to provide participants with some special package rates at the Crowne Plaza & Holiday Inn Express, Birmingham.

A special hotel deal has been arranged for players taking part in both Scottish JO and this event and they can book extra nights accommodation for the 30th and 31st at the special rates.

**Note: Transport is only provided as part of the Accommodation Package(s).**

Further information, please contact: Mandy Bateman - Mandy.Bateman@cseplc.com

**Transportation is provided free of charge as part of the hotel packages**. Return airport transfers from Birmingham airport and transport to and from all training and competition venues is included.

Note: Transport is only provided as part of the Accommodation Package(s). If you don’t take the Accommodation Packages but need to use the transport there is a premium to do this, and you should contact Mandy directly to arrange this

## Food packages

Food tokens need to be purchased through Tournament Software at a cost of £80 (5 lunches, 4 dinners) - Please note evening meal will only be valid at Edgbaston Priory Club

# STREAMING AND SOCIAL MEDIA

We are delighted to announce that Squash TV will be covering the all glass court and 3 other courts at University of Birmingham

Please follow our Facebook page leading up to the event which will have lots of information on daily (Dunlop British Junior Open) @bjosquash

By entering this event you agree to appear in images and social media posts as well as being streamed by SquashTV

# RULES

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| **Refereeing** | As an event we will have over 20 referees but all players will be expected to mark and referee some matches (at the direction of the Tournament Organisers at each venue) |
| **Squash Ball** | The Dunlop Pro XX will be the official match squash ball |
| **Insurance** | Players enter and play in the Dunlop British Junior Open at their own risk. England Squash and ESF will not accept responsibility for any injury arising from participating in the tournament. Competitors must arrange their own insurance cover |
| **Eye Protection** | Under WSF and England Squash rules, all players must wear approved eye protection when competing during the event, this includes during the warm up. Players will not be allowed to compete without approved eye protection and checks may be made  **British Standard BS7930** |
| **Draw** | Draws will be released on 19th December. We anticipate the following draw sizes:  Gu11 – 48. Gu13 – 48. Gu15 – 64. Gu17 – 64. Gu19 – 64  Bu11 – 48. Bu13 – 64. Bu15 – 96. Bu17 – 96. Bu19 – 96 |

# SEEDING

Seeding will be conducted by a panel. The panel will be chaired by the host nation and made up of further representatives from each continent. The panel will be chaired by Josh Taylor (England).

Following the panels finding the seedings will be posted on 26th November

There will then be a feedback window for evidence to be submitted to justify a change to seeding. This will need to be submitted by 2nd December, by midnight, via email - [compeitions@englandsquash.com](mailto:compeitions@englandsquash.com)

Strong justification would require the following aspects: head to head results against fellow players in the draw, tournament finishing positions, and further ranking information. Multiple aspects within all of these will help support a case. The case must suggest a change that results in a player changing seeding bracket e.g. 9/16 to 5/8 for example

Following the evidence given, the seeding panel will meet again to review. If the justification isn’t strong enough for this change the initial seeding will stand.

# CODE OF CONDUCT

All competitors denote their agreement to abide by the England Squash Code of Conduct and the ESF Junior Guidelines by entering the tournament. Parents must refrain from interference in matches. Any complaints should be addressed formally to the tournament desk.

# ANTI DOPING

By entering the tournament you agree to abide by the Rules and Regulations governing the Championship and declare that you are aware of the Anti-Doping regulations and procedures as set out in Section E and Appendix G of the WSF World Championship Regulations. You accept that you may be dope tested under these regulations at any stage of the Championship and will be subject to the penalties set out in the World Championship Regulations if the test(s) prove positive

# PLAYER WITHDRAWAL

## Tournament Specific

In the event of a withdrawal prior to the closing date, a full refund of tournament entry fees will be given less any administrative fees incurred.

In the event of a withdrawal within 2 weeks post the closing date, 50% refund of tournament entry fees will be given less any administrative fees incurred.

In the event of a withdrawal later than 2 weeks post the closing date, no refunds will be given.

## General

Withdrawal from the tournament must be notified to the Event Director as soon as possible by email with a valid reason. The reason for withdrawal should then be confirmed within 7 days and in the event of illness or injury, should be accompanied by a letter of explanation from a parent or coach.

Non-arrivals who do not notify will NOT be allowed to enter the following British Junior Open.

The event is also subject to ESF withdrawal guidelines:

E. 4.a) If a player makes a late withdrawal from a tournament (2 days or less before the start date), a doctor’s certificate confirming injury/illness must be provided to avoid penalties. The medical certificate (with a translation in English) must clearly state the player’s name, date of birth and the nature of the illness/injury; the certificate must cover the date of the relevant tournament and must be sent to the ESF office no later than two days after the final day of the tournament (email: [esf@europeansquash.com](mailto:esf@europeansquash.com)). Any player making a late withdrawal not supported by a medical certificate will receive zero points for the tournament which will count as one of their 4 best results for the rolling 12 month period and will be taken into account when dividing the points to obtain the ranking average. This penalty will be applied automatically unless the ESF office receives a doctor’s certificate within two days of the tournament finishing.

If a player commits this offence for a second time within a 12 month period, he/she will be banned from the ESF Junior Circuit for a period of 12 months.

b) If a player has entered a tournament and fails to turn up, he/she will receive zero ranking points for the tournament. These zero points will count as one of the player’s 4 best results for the rolling 12 month period and will be taken into account when dividing the points to obtain the ranking average. This penalty will be applied automatically.

If a player commits this offence for a second time within a 12 month period, he/she will be banned from the ESF Junior Circuit for a period of 12 months.

c) If a player fails to play out all scheduled matches for any reason other than illness or injury, he/she will receive zero ranking points for the tournament. Illness or injury must be verified by the tournament director and, if possible, by medical certificate sent to the ESF office within two days of the tournament finishing. If zero points are awarded, the points will count as one of the player’s 4 best results for the rolling 12 month period and will be taken into account when dividing the points to obtain the ranking average. This penalty will be applied automatically.

If a player commits this offence for a second time within a 12 month period, he/she will be banned from the ESF Junior Circuit for a period of 12 months.

PRIVACY POLICY - <http://www.europeansquash.com/file/803778/?dl=1>

# FINALLY

All partners involved in this event are very excited to welcome everyone

The event complies with the ESF Junior Circuit Guidelines, a copy of which is on [www.europeansquash.com](http://www.europeansquash.com) - all participating MNA’s should make sure that all relevant people (including coaches, managers and players) are aware of the guidelines and their requirements.

England Squash reserves the right to alter the above regulations at any time.

Good luck and enjoy the event!