

BPT PRESENTATION BOOK



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SOCIAL MIX-IN

THE ULTIMATE MIX-IN

All tournaments will kick off with a Social Event on the *Friday evening* (or Saturday morning). A round robin format open to all levels of play, for both male and female participants.

Following the Ratings System (see BPRS) players must be at least a 2.5 in order to enter the event. In order to prevent teams being too strong entries cannot exceed a Combined-Total-Rating of 7.5. [See examples >](#)

PREVIOUSLY
CATEGORY C

EXAMPLES

COMBINED-TOTAL-RATING

EXAMPLE: A player rated 4.0 can enter with a partner rated as high as a 3.5 (or below). Total = 7.5

EXAMPLE: A player with a 5.0 rating can enter with a 2.5 player. Total = 7.5

Note. Players rated 5.0 (or above) can only enter with a partner rated 2.5.

PREVIOUSLY CATEGORIES A & B

BP OPEN

COMPETE FOR A NATIONAL RANKING

Commencing Saturday there will be Qualification Round (subject to entries) for lower ranked and/or unranked players wanting to enter (previously Category B) and compete for a national ranking.

This will be followed by the main draw which will continue on to the Sunday (previously Category A).

All players must be British Padel registered members in order to accumulate ranking points.

Minimum standard for Qualifying = 4.5 BPRS.

VETS (+45)

UK VETS NATIONAL COMPETITION

An open event for anyone aged 45 and over will be played on the Sat & Sun (subject to entries). This is open to all levels of play, for both male and female participants.

British Padel Registered Members will be able to earn ranking points towards their UK VETS National Ranking.

Tournaments are categorised by **GOLD, SILVER, & BRONZE.**

These simply determine the ranking points on offer (See Ranking Points)



The categories are not gender specific, meaning both male and female competitors can enter (unless specified otherwise) – The categories are therefore simply determined by level-of-play (see Categories).

Draw formats are subject to entry size therefore it is at the discretion of The Tournament Organiser to determine the best draw format as per event/tournament.



A Consolation Draw may be scheduled for first-round losers in order to guarantee at least two matches as a minimum. The consolation draw can be played through to completion (subject to scheduling).



Each tournament will run for 1-3 days where most start on a Saturday morning (Friday afternoon in some cases) with matches running throughout the day and continuing on to the Sunday. Please check Tournament Schedules for exact dates and times, as these may vary per event.

SPECIAL EXEMPTIONS

There are two places in the main draw available as wild cards and or a Special Exemption for International Players of a high standard (See International Players), which can be awarded at the discretion of the Tournament Organiser. A wild card may be awarded to a player/s who has not entered the tournament in time. For wild card requests please contact British Padel directly or the Tournament Organiser.

SEEDINGS

Seeding's will be determined by the British Padel TOUR rankings (based on ranking points earned in a given season - BPRS). **The last publically updated rankings will be used.**

The top seeding's 1 and 2 will be positioned in opposite sides of the draw. Seeding's 3 and 4 will also be positioned in opposite sides of the draw, in random positions. All other seeding's will be positioned randomly throughout the draw.

The right to modify such seeding's accordingly for Alternative Entries and/or Wild Card & Special Exemption Entries is at the discretion of The Tournament Organiser, and can be altered at any time.

SCORING

All singles matches are the best of 3 tiebreak sets. Category finals may or may not be appointed a chair umpire to officiate the match. A referee will be on-site for the duration of the tournament – In most cases this will be the Tournament Organiser and or his/her Supervisor or Assistant.

The Tournament Organiser reserves the right to change the format at any time subject to the tournament entries i.e. a 9-game format or short sets to 4 games could be adopted. Furthermore, a Championship tiebreak (consisting of 10-points) is reserved for and may be used to replace the 3rd-set in any match, including Finals.

PENALTIES

Players should be present 30 minutes before the start of a match so as not to delay their scheduled match time. Defaults and scoring penalties are at the discretion of the Tournament Organiser, the Referee, or his/her Staff.

A leader board (race) will summarise ranking points earned by British Padel Members, only. Ranking points allocated at each tournament will be calculated at the end of each calendar month, and published at the beginning of the following month.

BPT Ranking points are valid for a 12-month period therefore players are required to defend points on an annual basis in order to maintain their British Padel TOUR ranking position. Players must be members to be included in the rankings. Their membership status must be maintained and kept up to date, otherwise the player will automatically be removed from the rankings and their ranking points may expire permanently from the database. New members/players have a grace period of 7-days following a tournament in order to complete their membership and obtain the ranking points earned, otherwise the points earned will expire.

Categories award prizes and/or prize money (if applicable). Total prize money is subject to a minimum draw size and may vary at the discretion of the Tournament Organiser at any given time. The BPT ranking system is continuously being updated for improvement purposes and is therefore subject to change at any given time. Rankings are outlined on the website.

Additionally, our OPEN events are linked to FIP (subject to each event and displayed accordingly). Note. Minimum draw sizes are required to issue FIP ranking points. Players should contact the FIP directory for specific ruling.

BPT**GOLD**

RATING: 4.5 - 7.0

SILVER

RATING: 4.0 - 7.0

BRONZE

RATING: 3.5 - 7.0

OFFICIAL TOURNAMENTS

	PRIZES	POINTS	PRIZES	POINTS	PRIZES	POINTS
Winners	PRIZES	5000	PRIZES	2500	PRIZES	1000
Finalists	PRIZES	3000	PRIZES	1500	PRIZES	750
Semi-Finals	N/A	1800	N/A	900	N/A	500
Quarter-Finals	N/A	900	N/A	450	N/A	250
1st Round	N/A	450	N/A	200	N/A	100
Qualifying round 3	N/A	250	N/A	100	N/A	75
Qualifying round 2	N/A	150	N/A	75	N/A	50
Qualifying round 1	N/A	100	N/A	50	N/A	25
Consolation Winners*	N/A	250	N/A	100	N/A	75

*Points will be earned only if Consolation Draw is played through until completion.

**OTHER
EVENTS****OPEN**

10,000 TOTAL
RANKING POINTS
(Reference: GOLD X 2)

VETS (+45)

SAME AS ABOVE

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Tournaments are open to anyone and everyone.

International players are welcome to enter any category. However to be considered for a Special Exemption in the main draw they must be of a FIP affiliated federation to be considered, and meet the requirements outlined below.

The main draw is firstly determined by BPT rankings however there are two positions arranged for Wild Cards and/or Special Exemptions.

Special Exemption requirements:

1. Federated player from an FIP affiliated nation.
2. Letter or certificate from their federation stating their standard of play, recommended category, and ranking/s.
3. World Padel Tour rankings (if applicable).

Note. Two players with rankings inside the Top-150 WPT cannot compete together.

NOTE. All requests must be received 10 days before the entry deadline, addressed to the Tournament Organiser.

Accommodation arrangements may be possible for top international players if travelling in from another country – Contact the Tournament Organiser for additional information.

Occasionally, British Padel takes photographs and videos at tournaments and other venues. We may use these pictures in our promotions, social media publications and/or other publications that we produce, as well as on our website.

It is the policy of British Padel to ensure that all event participants taking part in media activities understand what is involved and are happy to take part. **You have the choice whether or not to take part in any such media activities.**

By becoming a British Padel member and/or participating in any of our events/venues, you hereby give your informed consent for the materials to be used as set out above. You understand you will not be paid for allowing the materials to be used and you give this consent freely and without any expectation of more or better treatment from British Padel because of it.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How much does it cost to enter?

Entry-fee pricing is determined by the host club and will be communicated on the registration portal and/or advertisement.

Discounts are available to British Padel members.

How do I enter?

To enter the tournament it is necessary to correctly fill out the online registration form on the British Padel website and pay the required entry fee (if requested), before the indicated deadline date, unless otherwise communicated.

All entries will be validated via email. Entries made online via a booking platform without a corresponding payment might not be recognized (subject to each event).

When will the tournament calendar be published?

The tournament calendar will be published at the earliest convenience for each season at least 4-weeks before the first tournament/event.

Venues and/or scheduled tournament dates are subject to change at any time and will be published on the website.

Which category should I enter?

The British Padel TOUR uses the British Padel Rating System (BPRS); categorising players based on a numeric 1-7 level-of-play scale which identifies the recommended category/division for each player to enter.

The categories are not gender specific, meaning both male and female competitors can enter – The categories are therefore simply divided by level-of-play. We anticipate female participation growth therefore more and more events will begin to host specific ladies draw in 2019.

Can I enter more than one category?

Players can enter more than one category. A discount may or may not be provided however and is at the discretion of the Tournament Organiser.

Where are the tournaments hosted?

All of the tournaments are hosted at affiliated clubs throughout the UK (and a select few in Spain). Clubs can request to host official tournaments at the beginning of each season. These tournaments are then published in our annual calendar.