

**An ESF Junior Circuit Tournament**

**Dear Squash players,**

**The Finnish Squash Association hereby invites you to the Finnish Junior Open 2018, taking place from Friday 14th to Sunday 16th of September 2018 in Helsinki, Finland.**

* Only entries made by or endorsed by the player’s national associations can be accepted. All MNAs must provide an official contact person from the Federation who will be responsible for all entries from that country.
* Entries should be sent ONLY by e-mail.
* **Closing date is Friday the 31st of August 2018.**
* The tournament will start at 15.00 hrs on Friday, 14th of September and all participants must be prepared to play at this time.
* **Boys and girls u19 are registered as a PSA Closed satellite-event.**
* The Finnish Junior Open is part of the European Junior Circuit.

We hope to see you and your players in Helsinki!

**Kind regards,**

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The Finnish Squash Association and Talihalli, Helsinki proudly presents the

***FINNISH JUNIOR OPEN 2018***

as part of the **EUROPEAN JUNIOR CIRCUIT 2018/2019.**

**DATES**

From Friday September 14th to Sunday September 16th.

Matches are expected to commence on Friday at 15:00 hrs and the prize giving ceremony will be on Sunday at appr. 16:00 hrs.

**VENUE**

Talihalli, Huopalahdentie 28, Helsinki, Finland

**CLOSING DATE**

The closing date for entries is Friday, **August 31st 2018.** The official entry form must be **sent by email** to the **Finnish Squash Association**, squash.office@squash.fi.

**CATEGORIES**

# BU 19 max. 32 players GU 19 max. 32 players

(Both U19 classes are PSA Closed Satellite events)

BU 17 max. 32 players GU 17 max. 32 players

BU 15 max. 32 players GU 15 max. 32 players

BU 13 max. 32 players GU 13 max. 32 players

Players are allowed to enter only **one** category. All players are guaranteed three scheduled rounds.

**ELIGIBILITY**

The Finnish Junior Open is open to all players under the age of 13, 15, 17 or 19 on the 16th of September 2018.

All players must have an active, paid-for SPIN (squash player identification number) to participate. To register please visit www.worldsquash.org/spin.

**SEEDING**

The seeding will be carried out using the ESF Junior Rankings valid at the closing date and in accordance with ESF Junior Circuit Guidelines.

**MATCHES**

All matches will be played as best of five games (PAR 11 to 2 clear points), under the rules of the WSF.

**REFEREEING**

All players will be expected to mark and referee matches. Organizers will be prepared to help inexperienced players to referee.

**BALL**

The Dunlop Pro ball will be used. (White ball on the glass court)

**PRIZES**

Prize money in the U19 Boys/Girls categories 1st 150€, 2nd 100€ and 3rd 75€

Trophies will be awarded in all categories.

**EYE GUARDS**

According to ESF rules, all players must wear approved Eye Guards when entering a court either for practice or a match during the event.

**INSURANCE**

Players enter and play in the tournament at their own risk. Neither the organisers nor the ESF accept any responsibility for injury arising from participating in the event. Players must arrange their own insurance.

**TOURNAMENT HOTEL**

Cumulus City Kallio

Läntinen Brahenkatu 2

00510 Helsinki Finland

<https://www.cumulus.fi/en/hotels/helsinki/cumulus-city-kallio-helsinki>

**All enquiries regarding accommodation must be addressed to the Finnish Squash Association.**

**ENTRIES**

Only entries made by or endorsed by the player’s national association will be accepted.

All entries must provide the name of a contact person from the official federation. The named responsible person must be an official representative of the association and will be responsible for all entries from that country. The organisation is allowed to restrict entries according to ESF guidelines.

**Finnish Squash Association.** Valimotie 10 00380 HELSINKI, Finland

**Phone**: +358 50 5839531 **(**Mika Monto) **Email: squash.office@squash.fi**

**PAYMENT**

The package fee must be paid by bank transfer (net of bank charges), no later than the closing date.

**Please mark payment clearly with: FJO2018 and include your association’s name.**

**Payment details**:

**Bank:** Nordea Bank

Paasivuorenkatu 3, 00020 NORDEA, Finland

**Account holder:** Finnish Squash Association

 Valimotie 10, 00380 Helsinki Finland

**SWIFT/BIC Code:** NDEAFIHH

**IBAN:** FI31 1426 3000 1226 04

**Address:** Finnish Squash Association

Valimotie 10, 00380 Helsinki FINLAND

**DRAWS**

The seeding and times of first matches will be sent to national associations. The finalised draws will be published at the venue and put on the internet at the start of the event.

**ENTRY FEE**

The entry fee is 55€. including one tournament T-shirt:

**Please give the size**: XS, S, M, L, XL, XXL

Hotel packages and prices including the entry fee are as follows:

**FINNISH JUNIOR OPEN HOTEL PACKAGE**

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| **Friday 14.9.** | **Saturday 15.9.** | **Sunday 16.9.** |
|  | Hotel Breakfast | Hotel Breakfast |
|  | Lunch | Lunch |
| Dinner | Dinner |  |

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| **PACKAGE A** | 2 nights hotel (twin room), 2x lunch, 2x dinner 215€  |
| **Single Room** | Extra charge / day 20€ |
| **Tournament entry fee** | without accommodation 55€ |
| **Extra nights** | twin room/single room 85€/75€ |

**A person not participating in the event but wishes to take the package, will pay 155€.**

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

**CANCELLATIONS**

The costs for hotel packages cannot be refunded for any cancellations received on or after 13th of September. For cancellations between 2nd – 12th of September, only a 50% refund will be made (less all bank charges).

**TRANSPORT**

The transportation from / to the Helsinki-Vantaa Airport is included in the package fees. The flight schedule should be informed at the latest on the 7th of September to the Finnish Squash Association by e-mail.

**Please note** that the transportation service is only available to those players who have bought the Hotel Package.

**WITHDRAWALS** / ***ESF PENALTIES***

E4.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 within two days after the final day of the tournament (email: esf@europeansquash.com; fax +44 1424 774879). 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 final day of the tournament.

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 final day of the tournament. 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.

# **FINNISH JUNIOR OPEN 2018 ENTRY FORM**

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| Name & SPIN | Country | Event | Date of Birth | ESF Ranking | Hotel Package | Extra Night | T-shirt |
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| Signature of responsible official |

Send this Entry form before the **31st of August** **2018** to:

Finnish Squash Association, Valimotie 10, 00380 Helsinki, Finland

**Email:** **squash.office@squash.fi**

**Phone +358 50 5839531 (Mika Monto)**

**Tournament website:** [**http://www.squash.fi/?page\_id=19891**](http://www.squash.fi/finnishjunioropen)

Note: Entry form and travel details form will be separate excel forms.