



ESF Masters Circuit 2018 - 2019

Oporto Squash Masters 2019 European Masters Grand Prix Event

Date:

This event will be held from 18. January – 20. January 2019. The tournament will start on Friday 18.01.2019 at 9:00 am. Prize giving ceremony on Sunday at 3:00 pm.

Closing date for entries: Friday, 28.12.2018

Late entries are only acceptable before the seeding is published at the discretion of the Tournament Director and Master Sub Committee in the interest of the tournament. Entries may be closed before this date if the maximum number of entries – 200 – is reached.

Venue:

ProRacket, Squash & Padel

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Categories

Mens: +35, +40, +45, +50, +55, +60, +65, +70, +75. Womens: +35, +40, +45, +50, +55, +60, +65, +70, +75.

The TD reserves the right to amalgamate age groups if there are insufficient entries to make a workable draw: Players are only allowed to enter one category.

Eligibility

This event is open to all players who are over 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, on the first day of the event. As specified by the European Squash Federation; to compete in all ESF registered events, all players, coaches, managers and other officials must be registered with ESF. This must be approved and validated by the relevant MNF.

The MNF is responsible for ensuring that all players, coaches, managers and other officials are registered with ESF prior to entry, and their entry is fully supported.

Players can register with ESF through the ESF tournament software website: https://esf.tournamentsoftware.com/member/createorganizationaccount.aspx?id =8B5D0106-404D-41C3-B2FB-E6FE1BCEAB52

Seeding

The seeding will be carried out by the Masters Committee using the latest available results and ESF Masters Rankings valid at the closing date and in accordance with the ESF Masters Circuit Guidelines.

Matches

All matches played will consist of the best of five games, under the rules of the WSF. All players are guaranteed a minimum of three matches. The Tournament Organization reserve the right to organize plate matches consisting of the best of five games. PAR 11 scoring (to 2 clear points) will be used.

Draws

Maximum draw size: 64 (3 day event).

Rules

The event complies with the ESF Master Circuit Guidelines; a copy of which is available on the ESF website www.europeansquash.com. All participating MNAs should make sure that the relevant people (including coaches, managers and players) are aware of the guidelines and their requirements.

Refereeing

All players will be expected to mark and referee matches. All the courts will have "scoreboards".

Ball

Dunlop pro xx

Prizes

Trophies for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each age group. Prize giving ceremony takes place at 15:00 on Sunday 20st January 2019.

Insurance

Players enter and play in the tournament at their own risk. Neither the organization nor the ESF will accept responsibility for any claims including for injury or accident. Suitable insurance must be organized by the player or the participating federation

Hotel (Official hotel for packages)

(Reservations can only be made by the tournament organization)
HOTEL BETA PORTO (1,5 Km to the Venue)
Rua do Amial 601
4200-062 Porto
Tel. +351 228 348 660
www.hotelbetaporto.belverhotels.net

Transport

Players who have paid Tournaments Package B, B1, C and C1 will be picked up and dropped at Porto International Airport (**OPO**).

On all playing days there will be a regular mini bus transfer service between Hotel Beta and the venue, between 08:30 am and 9:00 pm. Anybody who is not staying at tournament hotels will need to organize their own transport.

Entries

All entries must be made on the official entry form and sent to: proracket@proracket.pt
The European Master Circuit is open to all Masters of any nationality provided the player is not banned by MNA.

Payment

The entry fee and package fee, as detailed below, along with the ranking levy of 5€ per player must be paid to the host by the closing date.

Packages

A 57€ per person

Entry fee + t-shirt + Ranking fee levy

B 154€ per person

Entry fee + t-shirt + ESF levy + 2 nights bed and breakfast (accommodation in double rooms) + transport between airport/hotel/airport + transport between hotel/venue/hotel everyday

B1 214€ per person

Package B + 5 meals in the club

C 189€ per person

Entry fee + t-shirt + ESF levy + 3 nights bed and breakfast (accommodation in double rooms) + transport between airport/hotel/airport + transport between hotel/venue/hotel everyday

C1 249€ per person

Package C + 5 meals in the club

Accompanying person – same price minus package A

Extra charge for single room 25€ per person per night

Extra night double room 35€ per person per night

Extra night single room 60€ per person per night

Bank details:

ProRacket, Actividades Desportivas, Lda.

IBAN PT50 0010 0000 522307000018 1

BIC BBPIPTPL

Bank Adress: BANCO BPI – Rua 25 Abril, 45 – Vila do Conde - Portugal

Please mark payment clearly with name of event and name of player:

"OSM2018 / name of player"

Draws

The seeding lists and time of the first matches for specific age groups will be published 7 days prior to the start date on the ESF website.

Finalized draws for the event will be published on the ESF website at about 17:00 on the day before the tournament.

Up-to-date information about this and all other ESF Masters tournaments will be published regularly in the Facebook group "European Squash Masters". Please join up today.

ESF regulations & penalties

This event complies with the ESF Masters Circuit Guidelines, a copy of which is available on the ESF website. The tournament will be run under the term and conditions as set out in ESF Regulations: Code Conduct – appendix D. The tournament shall be run under the terms and conditions as set out in EUROPEAN SQUASH FEDERATION PRIVACY POLICY as published on the ESF website www.europeansguash.com

A late withdrawal is a withdrawal made 2 days or less before the start date of a tournament

Ranking penalties will be applied to the records of players who fail to turn up or who make a late withdrawal not supported by a medical certificate (see E4a, E4b and F2l)

Following a withdrawal, fees should be reimbursed as follows:

- a) Withdrawal up to 14 days before the start date of a tournament: fees reimbursed in full (less bank charges)
- b) Withdrawal 3-14 days before the start date of a tournament: 50% of fees reimbursed (less bank charges)
- c) Withdrawal 2 days or less before the start date of a tournament: reimbursement at the discretion of the tournament organizer.

If a player:

- a) Has entered a tournament and fails to turn up, he/she will receive zero ranking points for the tournament
- b) 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
- c) Commits either of these offence for a second time within a 12 month period, he/she will be banned from the ESF Masters Circuit foa a period of 12 months.

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