



Squash Ontario Gold and Provincial Championships Policies and Draw Format

Draw Format:

For divisions where a draw is required, the top 2 seeded players will be placed in the proper positions at the top and bottom of the draw. Positions for the 5-8 seeded players will be drawn at random, as well as the 3rd and 4th seeded players. For draws with more than 16 players, players seeded 9-12 will also be drawn and placed at random. This process will be witnessed.

In the event of players having the same ratings at the time of the deadline, Squash Ontario's policy is to use head to heads from the past 12 months to break the tie. If there are not any head to heads, we will review previous rating cycles to determine who was most recently rated higher.

The remaining unseeded players will be placed at random using Club Locker. Squash Ontario reserves the right to move any same club match ups in the first round, without affecting the placed seeded players. The lower rated player will be switched with the next closest rated player from a different club to keep the integrity of the draw.

Eligibility and Moving Up:

Top ranked entrants in each division to register by the deadline will secure their spot in the main draw. Any additional registrants outside the draw sizes below will be added to a waitlist. This is NOT a first come, first serve registration process.

The Top 24 ranked players in the GU19, BU19 and BU17 draws. In addition, 4 local spots and 4 out of province spots may be awarded by the Junior Advisory Committee to round out the 32 player draws.

Top 12 ranked players in the GU17, GU15, BU15, GU13, BU13, GU11, BU11. In addition, 2 local spots and 2 out of province spots may be awarded by the Junior Advisory Committee to round out the 16 player draws.

Players must win two Gold/ Provincial/National level events in their age group to be eligible to move up a division. Out of province players must win the equivalent of two Gold/Provincial/National level events in their province or state to move up. Squash Ontario and the Junior Advisory Committee will review and vote on any petitions to this rule. Petitions can be sent to tournaments@squashontario.com prior to the event deadline.

Defaults:

Players defaulting from any Squash Ontario sanctioned event without valid reason (ie. Death in the family or injury) will be in violation of the player code of conduct and will be subject to a warning for their first offence. If a player continues to default in any future events, they will be subject to a Disciplinary Panel who will conduct a hearing. This player may be at risk of

suspension. Injured players must send a doctor's note to Squash Ontario within 72 hours of the event.