

School Sports Programme
2019 Easy Sport Competition – Fujifilm Mini Squash Competition

【Prospectus】

1. **Objective:** To offer participants of the “Easy Sport Programme – Squash” training course under the School Sports Programme (SSP) an opportunity for exchange, to develop their interest in squash, enhance their skills and gain experience in competitions.
2. **Eligibility:** The Competition is only opened for those primary schools which participated in the “Easy Sport Programme – Squash” between 1 September 2017 and 31 December 2018.

3. **Date, Time and Venue:**

	Date	Time	Venue
Preliminary Round	4 May 2019 (Saturday)	9:30am – 6:30pm	Hong Kong Squash Centre
	5 May 2019 (Sunday)		
Final Round	11 May 2019 (Saturday)		

4. **Division and Quota:**

Division (Age as at 2019)			Quota
Boys’ Single	A	10-12 (2007-2009)	56
	B	9 or below (2010 or onwards)	56
Girls’ Single	A	10-12 (2007-2009)	56
	B	9 or below (2010 or onwards)	56

- a. Each school may enrol a maximum of 8 students in each division. The priority of these students should be marked on the application form. All teams must meet the condition stated in paragraph 2 above.
 - b. For efficient use of resources, the Organiser may adjust the quota for each division in the light of application response. The quota of each division will be finalised on the ballot date. Participating schools/students shall raise no objection.
5. **Notes on application:**
 - a. Places will be evenly distributed to the schools from each group of quota in first round. If there are remaining places, a ballot will be conducted.
 - b. Each student may only represent one team from his/her school. Participants must be current students of their school during the Competition. If a participant is found representing more than one team, the teams concerned may be disqualified and the entry fee will not be refunded.
 - c. Participants may only enrol in the division appropriate to their age.
 - d. Please submit completed application forms by hand or by fax (Fax number: 2684 9076 or

2697 5087) to the School Sports Programme Unit.

- e. Confirmation letters with payment details will be sent to successful applications and successful waiting list applicants in due course.
 - f. The list of participants is not subject to change after payment has been completed.
 - g. The organiser has the right to disqualify a member of his/her team if he/she is found taking part in the Competition without prior application.
6. Fee: \$18 dollars per person (The fee covers both the preliminary and final competitions.)
7. Application submission period:
7 January 2019 (Monday) to 25 January 2019 (Friday)(The postmark date will be deemed the date of submission.)
8. Enrolment ballot:
The ballot will be held at the Leisure and Cultural Services Headquarters (Conference Room G02) at 11:00 am on 4 February 2019 (Monday). Representatives of schools are welcome to attend. School allocated with places will be informed by post, while unsuccessful ones will not be notified. The ballot result will be posted on the LCSD website on 25 February 2019 (Monday). Please access to our website:
http://www.lcsd.gov.hk/en/ssp/competition_info/competition_info.html
If an Acknowledgement Receipt is not received within two working days before the ballot date (i.e. 31 January 2019(Thursday)), please contact our staff at 2601 7952 or 2601 7602. Otherwise, we may not be able to process your application.
9. Payment period for successful applicants: 25 February 2019 (Monday) to 8 March 2019(Friday)
10. Payment period for successful waiting list applicants: 18 March 2019 (Monday) to 22 March 2019 (Friday)
11. Transportation:
Schools are required to arrange their own transport to and from the competition venue. No parking arrangement will be made by the Organiser.
12. Fixture Draw:
The fixture draw will be held at the Leisure and Cultural Services Headquarters (Conference Room 403), at 3:00 pm on 3 April 2019 (Wednesday). Representatives of schools are welcome to attend. Schools will be notified of the result of the fixture draw and reporting time in writing. The result will be uploaded in our website on 18 April 2019 (Monday):
http://www.lcsd.gov.hk/en/ssp/competition_info/competition_info.html
13. Format:
- a. A straight knock-out system will be adopted in the Competition. A match will be played to the best of 3 games. Point-a-rally (PAR) scoring system up to 9 points (No set).
 - b. The Competition will be held in standard squash courts where the short lines will be moved towards the front wall by **1 metre** for Group A and **1.5 metres** for Group B respectively.

- c. Pink and green mini-squash balls will be used in Group A and B respectively.
- d. Participants may serve anywhere inside the own back half of the court but not necessarily inside the service box.
- e. Unless otherwise stipulated in this prospectus, the existing rules employed by the Hong Kong Squash will be adopted.
- f. The Organiser has the right to change the format as necessary.

14. Reporting on Arrival:

- a. Participants shall report to the staff of the Organiser 15 minutes before the scheduled time of the match. Those who fail to show up within five minutes after the staff of the Organiser's roll call will be deemed to have waived their right to participate.
- b. Participants shall produce unambiguous proof of identity bearing photos, e.g. student handbooks, student cards, etc. to the staff of the Organiser on the competition day for verification.
- c. The competition schedule shall be as announced on-site.

15. Inclement Weather Arrangements

- a. In case the Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 8 or above, or Rainstorm Signal Red / Black is issued by the Hong Kong Observatory two hours before the reporting time for the first round of events on the competition day; or the Environmental Protection Department has announced that the Air Quality Health Index (AQHI) recorded at its general monitoring stations reaches 10+ ("Serious" health risk category) in the competition area; or the Education Bureau has announced the closure of schools, all events on the day will be cancelled. Participants will be notified of the corresponding arrangements. Under other weather conditions, all participants are required to report to the Organiser as scheduled. The referees on the site shall decide whether the Competition should proceed or not.
- b. If the AQHI recorded at the general monitoring stations in the competition area reaches 10+ ("Serious" health risk category) during the Competition, all events in progress shall be **terminated immediately**.

16. Remarks:

- a. All participants should wear proper sports wear and non-marking rubber-soled shoes during the competition.
- b. Participants shall bring their own mini-squash rackets. According to the guideline of the Hong Kong Squash, the length of a racket shall not exceed 63.5cm. Balls to be used in the Competition shall be provided by the organiser. (Remark: All modified racket is not allowed to use during the competition.)
- c. Participants who play in consecutive matches may take a break of 5 to 10 minutes between each match. The Organiser reserves the right to determine on such issues in consideration of the actual situation. The participants should not request for postponing any matches on the grounds of fatigue.
- d. Schools should remind their students to bring along their own food and drinks for the competition.
- e. In case of a breach of the rules or regulations of the Competition or display of unsporting

behaviour by a participant and teacher-in-charge, the referee shall have the right to disqualify the participant from the Competition.

17. Awards:

- a. Each participant will receive a commemorative certificate.
- b. Certificate and trophy will be awarded to the Champion, first, second, third runners-up and four merit award winners in each division. The champion, first, second and third runners-up in each group will also obtain a prize from Fujifilm individually. The prizes will be presented to the winners on the spot after the finals are completed.
- c. If any participants withdrawn or fail to complete all matches, they will be disqualified. Competition results and awards will be cancelled.

18. Appeal:

No appeal will be accepted. The referees' decision on the result made on the competition day shall be final. Participants shall raise no objection.

19. Enquiries:

School Sports Programme Unit, 1/F, Leisure and Cultural Services Headquarters, 1-3, Pai Tau Street, Sha Tin. (Telephone number: 2601 7952)

~In case of any inadequacy in this Prospectus, the Organiser reserves the right to amend it at any time without further notice.~