

School Sports Programme
Outreach Coaching Squash Team Competition 2025
【Prospectus】

1. Objective : To offer participants of the “Outreach Coaching 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 : Priority will be given to schools which have participated in the Squash training course under the Outreach Coaching Programme between 1/9/2023 and 31/12/2024 to take part in the Competition. If the quota is not filled, other schools which have participated in the above programme on or before 31/8/2023 are welcome.

3. Time and Venue :

	Date	Time	Venue
Preliminary Round	9 March 2025 (Sunday)	9:00am – 6:00pm	Hong Kong Squash Centre
	15 March 2025 (Saturday)		
Final Round	16 March 2025 (Sunday)		

4. Division and Quota :

Division			Quota
	Group	Class	
Boys	Junior Primary	Primary 1-3	10 teams
	Senior Primary	Primary 4-6	10 teams
	Junior Secondary	Secondary 1-3	8 teams
	Senior Secondary	Secondary 4-6	8 teams
Girls	Junior Primary	Primary 1-3	8 teams
	Senior Primary	Primary 4-6	10 teams
	Junior Secondary	Secondary 1-3	8 teams
	Senior Secondary	Secondary 4-6	8 teams

- a. Each team is composed of **2-3 students**. 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. If the number of applications exceeds the quota, places will be allocated by ballot. Each school may submit applications for a maximum of **4 teams**. Team A of each school will be allocated first and Team B will have chance to be accepted if there are remaining places.
 - 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.
 - c. Participants may only enrol in the division appropriate to their age.
 - d. Confirmation letters with payment details will be sent to successful applicants and successful waiting list applicants in due course.
 - e. The list of participants is not subject to change after payment has been completed.
 - f. The Organiser has the right to disqualify a member or his/ her team if he/ she is found taking part in the Competition without prior application.

6. Submission of Enrolment Form:

Each school should send the completed application form(s) together with a crossed cheque (payable to “**Squash Association of Hong Kong, China**”) for payment of the application fee(s) (**HK\$140 per team**) to the Squash Association of Hong Kong, China Office (Address: **G/F, Hong Kong Squash Centre, 23 Cotton Tree Drive, Hong Kong**) by post. Please mark “**Outreach Coaching Squash Team Competition 2025**” on the envelope.

7. Application Fee: HK\$140 per team

8. Deadline for Application:

22 January 2025 (Wed) (The postmark date will be deemed the date of submission)

9. Important date:

a. The quota ballot will be held at Hong Kong Squash Centre at **11:30 am on 27 January 2025 (Mon)**. School representatives are welcomed. The balloting result will also be posted on the SAHKC’s webpage on **3 February 2025 (Mon)**. Please visit: www.hksquash.org.hk. Unsuccessful applicant will be returned cheque later.

b. The open ballot of draw fixture will be held at Hong Kong Squash Centre at **11:30 am on 20 February 2025 (Thu)**. School representatives are welcomed. The fixtures will be sent to schools informing them of the reporting time on the competition day by email, or you may visit the following webpage on or before **25 February 2025 (Tue)**.

SAHKC website: www.hksquash.org.hk

LCSO website: www.lcsd.gov.hk/en/ssp/download_info/download.html#2

10. Transport:

Schools are required to arrange their own transport to and from the competition venue. No parking arrangement will be made by the Organiser.

11. Format:

a. An individual, single knock-out system or ranking matches (for groups with fewer than 8 participants) 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 11 points. In the case of a 10:10 tie, the player who first achieves a 2-point lead will be the winner.

b. The total score of each team will be the sum of the ranking scores of its players. (Results will be calculated on a team basis.)

c. Unless otherwise stipulated in this prospectus, the existing rules employed by the Squash Association of Hong Kong, China will be adopted.

d. The Organiser has the right to change the format as necessary.

12. Reporting on Arrival:

a. Participants shall **report to the staff of the Organiser 15 minutes before the scheduled reporting time**. Those who fail to show up **within five minutes** after the scheduled match time 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.

13. Inclement Weather Arrangements:

a. In case the Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 8 or above, or Rainstorm Signal Amber, Red, or 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 adverse 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**.

14. Remarks:

- a. Players' lists cannot be altered once they have been confirmed. The Organiser has the right to disqualify such player and the team concerned not complying with this requirement.
- b. All participants should bring their own racket, wear proper sportswear, non-marking sports shoes and their own protective eyewear for matches.
- c. Schools should remind their students to bring along their own food and drinks for the Competition.
- d. In case of a breach of the rules or regulations of the Competition or display of unsporting behaviour by a teacher-in-charge, leader or member of a team, the referees shall have the right to disqualify the team from the Competition.

15. Awards:

- a. Prizes will be awarded to the champion and the first, second and third runners-up of each division. Trophies and medals will be awarded to winners.
- b. Results will be calculated on a school basis. There will be an overall champion in each of the 4 divisions (Junior Primary, Senior Primary, Junior Secondary and Senior Secondary Divisions). Results will be determined by the sum of the ranking scores of each school's best 6 players in a division. If there is a tie in the numbers of champion, first, second and third runners-up titles won, the teams will share the position and the prizes will be presented later.
- c. If any participants withdrawn or fail to complete all matches, his/ her result will not be counted in the overall team score.
- d. If two or more schools have the same overall score, the best individual scores of the schools concerned will be compared, and the one with the higher ranking will be ranked first. If the results are the same again, compare the results of the next best player, and so on. If 6 players have the same ranking, the team results of the relevant schools will be tied.

Team Score

Position	Score
65 th or above	1
33 rd - 64 th	2
17 th - 32 nd	4
9 th - 16 th	8
5 th - 8 th	10
3 rd - 4 th	12
2 nd	14
1 st	16

16. Appeal:

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

17. Enquiries: Squash Association of Hong Kong, China (Telephone number: 2337 6202)

18. Squash Association of Hong Kong, China reserves the right to amend this prospectus at any time without giving any prior notice.

19. In case of discrepancy between the English and Chinese version in respect of all or any part of the contents, the Chinese version shall prevail.

20. The Organiser has the right for all decisions raised from the competition.

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

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[Application Form]

School Name: _____ Abbreviation of School Name:

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(Max. 5 letters)

Address: _____

Email Address: _____ Fax No.: _____

Name of Applicant/

Teacher-in-charge: _____ Contact Tel. No. / Mobile No.: _____ /

Name of Leader: _____ Contact Tel. No. / Mobile No.: _____ /

Division: **Boys** **Girls**

Name of Participants	Class	Name of Participants	Class
*Junior Primary (P1-P3) / Junior Secondary (S1-S3) (*Please delete if inappropriate)			
(Team A)		(Team C)	
(Team A)		(Team C)	
(Team A)		(Team C)	
(Team B)		(Team D)	
(Team B)		(Team D)	
(Team B)		(Team D)	
*Senior Primary (P4-P6) / Senior Secondary (S4-S6) (*Please delete if inappropriate)			
(Team A)		(Team C)	
(Team A)		(Team C)	
(Team A)		(Team C)	
(Team B)		(Team D)	
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3. A separate form is required for each team. Each student may only represent one team.
4. The information provided in this form will only be used for the purposes of enrolment in recreation and sports activities organised by the Organiser and the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD), future contact, statistical reviews and opinion survey. Only officers who are authorised by the Organiser or the LCSD may access such information for the aforesaid purposes. For correction of or access to personal data collected by means of this form, please contact the staff of SAHKC at 2337 6202.
5. The provision of personal data in this form is obligatory. If you do not provide the requisite personal data, the LCSD and the Organiser may not be able to process your application.

[Declaration]

I, the Applicant/ Teacher-in-charge, hereby declare that all information provided in this form is true and correct. All participants have already obtained the consent of their parent/ guardian or the person authorised by their parent/ guardian to participate in the above activity, and they do not suffer from any illness that renders them unfit for the activity.

Signature of Teacher-in-charge : _____ Date: _____

School Chop :

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