

ESSENTIAL REQUIREMENTS

Facilities and Balls

- The host venue must be an LTA Registered Venue in the calendar year that the competition will take place.
- The host venue to provide the use of a minimum of 3x Padel Courts (Indoor/Covered), however 6 courts are ideal, and preference will be given to those venues who meet the ideal court requirements. The court surface of **all** courts to be used for the competition must be consistent.
- The host venue to provide a suitable space for the Referee & Tournament Director to operate in.
- The host venue must have toilet, shower and changing facilities on site and available.
- The host venue should provide catering facilities available throughout the duration of the tournament.
- The host venue must use the Official LTA Padel Tour ball for all matches – this is provided by the LTA (please see LTA support).

Personnel

- The competition must appoint an LTA Licensed Official (Grade R5 or above) who is specified at the time of application and they:
 - Must have passed the LTA Referee Course (Tennis or Padel).
 - If tennis, must have passed the LTA Padel Referee Conversion Course.
 - Must have delivered a minimum of a 1x completed Grade 3 or above padel event.
 - Must be an LTA Licensed Official in the year that the event is due to take place.
- The competition must appoint a Tournament Director to oversee logistics and to plan and deliver the competition.
- The host venue must have an established female player base (must be able to demonstrate the ability to fill a 12 pair women's draw).

Categories

- The competition must run the following events:
 - Open Men's Doubles
 - Open Women's Doubles

If the host wishes to also offer junior and senior category events alongside the open categories, this must be specified on application, and additional courts are required.

Prize Money and Prizes

- This will be made up from **both** the venue and the LTA (see LTA support below).
- The venue must contribute a minimum of £2,000 towards the total prize money pot.
- Prize money must be split evenly between men's and women's draws.
- The venue must provide prizes and trophies for the winners and finalists.

Partners and Promotions

- The host venue must include LTA Padel logo on all tournament artwork and promotional material.
- The host venue may have partners that are different to the LTA partners, as long as they ensure all other mandatory requirements are met. (for example; Official LTA Padel Tour ball for all matches).
- The host venue must display all provided LTA branded assets (for example LTA Padel banners).
- If the host venue develops their own promotional material, they must seek approval from the LTA Padel team prior to publication.
- The venue must promote the tournament locally and to their membership base.

Pre-Tournament Set Up

- The host venue must use Tournament Planner to manage the event, manage entries and submit results to the LTA.
- The host venue must follow all planning procedures and deadlines in the LTA Padel Competition Referee and Organiser Guide. This will be provided following confirmation.
- The host venue must complete a risk assessment for the tournament.
- The Tournament Director must complete the tournament fact sheet on the Competition Management System to communicate all key event information to players entering the competition.

LTA PADEL BRITISH TOUR GRADE 1

Tournament Delivery

- The tournament will be delivered in accordance with the the LTA Competition Regulations including the LTA Code of Conduct.
- The referee must be onsite and present for the whole competition.
- The referee must submit results within 48 hours post event.

OPTIONAL ELEMENTS

- The host venue to provide a suitable space for the Control Desk.
- The host venue should have viewing facilities available for spectators.
- The competition should include the following components, that run on the specified days:
 - Qualification: Thursday & Friday (dependent on entries)
 - Main Draw: Friday – Sunday (dependent on entries)
- The venue should consider offering a training opportunity, camp, competition or some type of promotional activity in the lead up to the competition to provide the opportunity and awareness for players (in particular this could target your junior players) to prepare for the competition.
- The venue should consider providing a welcome pack to each player, to include:
 - Tournament T-shirt
 - Re-usable water bottle
 - Small gift
 - Other items from LTA partners if provided by the LTA (see LTA support below).
- The venue should consider whether it would be helpful to have an Assistant Referee– especially for bigger draw sizes and to support player experience.
- The venue should consider requesting court supervisors to help with scoring issues and potential player disputes.
- The venue could consider providing discounts to local hotels.
- The venue could consider providing transfers: Airport – Hotel – Airport, Hotel – Venue – Hotel
- The venue could consider booking a Photographer as long as there is adherence to the LTA Photography & Filming Policy.
- The venue could consider providing a player area for time between matches to relax.
- The host venue could agree to streaming to broadcast matches from ¼ finals (at least one court) and share images to the LTA's YouTube channel.

The LTA Padel Competition Referee and Organiser Guide provides further details and support about how to prepare and deliver Padel events, and this information should be followed and adhered to.

LTA SUPPORT

- The LTA will provide a named point of support to answer any questions and to ensure everything in this agreement is understood and in place accordingly,
- The LTA will provide insurance cover for the event through the LTA Registered Venue cover.
- The LTA will allow use of the LTA Padel logo on all tournament marketing material and assets.
- The LTA will promote the event on the LTA Padel [website](#).
- The LTA will provide LTA Padel British Tour 2025 branding to the host venue.
- The LTA will provide a contribution of £2,000 towards the total prize money pot.
- The LTA will provide Official LTA Padel Tour balls for all matches.
- If the host venue wishes to use Court Supervisors for the tournament – the LTA will select and confirm LTA Court Supervisors, who are Licensed Officials.
- The LTA will award the relevant ranking points to the players following the conclusion of the competition as set out in the the LTA Padel Competition Referee and Organiser Guide.
- The LTA will provide an LTA Padel British Tour 2025 asset pack to all host venue

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- The host venue must have an established female player base (must be able to demonstrate the ability to fill an 8 pair women's draw).

Categories

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- The referee must submit results with 48 hours post event.

LTA PADEL BRITISH TOUR GRADE 2

OPTIONAL ELEMENTS

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- The competition should include the following components, that run on the specified days:
 - Qualification: Thursday & Friday (dependent on entries)
 - Main Draw: Friday – Sunday (dependent on entries)
- The venue should consider awarding Prize Money equal to £1000 across the tournament.
- If prize money is available, then it should be split evenly between Men and Women's draws.
- The venue should provide player prizes and trophies for the winners and finalists.
- The venue should consider providing a welcome pack to each player, to include:
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