

## Guidance Notes for Inter-County Championships (ICC) Team Managers

Yorkshire SRA aims to provide maximum opportunities for players to represent their County, by seeking to enter at least one team in each category of the Inter-County Championships run by England Squash and Racketball. These are:

**Men:** Open, O35, O45, O50, O55, O60 and O65 (all 5 a side except Over 60 and 65, which are 3 a side)

**Women:** Open and O40 (5 a side) and Over 50 (3 a side)

**Junior Boys and Girls:** U11 (Festival), U13, U15, U17 and U19 (all 5 a side except for the U11s and Girls U13 and U19, which are 3 a side)

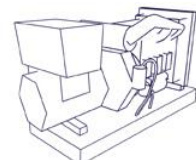
**Racketball:** Open and O40 (5 a side and 3 a side respectively)

YSRA depends entirely on volunteers to act as ICC Team Managers. This involves selecting teams for up to three days or weekends during the season and organising accommodation and travel for away matches, or a venue, courts and a meal when Yorkshire is designated as a host County. ESR may impose fines and other sanctions if we withdraw a team or fail to fulfil a fixture.

We will maintain a list of all Managers on the Yorkshire Squash web site.

### *The role of Team Managers (TM's) of YSRA teams*

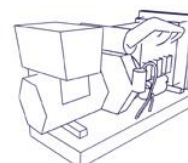
1. Make contact with potential players at an early stage. The [SquashLevels web site](#) and ESR junior ranking lists are a good start. Your YSRA Committee contact may be able to suggest further sources.
2. Provide a squad list in merit order to ESR of squad players shortly before the first round of fixtures. Players will need to supply their ESR number (available from their clubs if they don't have it). Managers will be advised when the list is required.
3. The 2015 dates can be viewed [here](#). Notify squad members to reserve those dates as soon as possible.
4. For junior managers, coaching for squads will be organised on the two weekends in September allocated by ESR for this purpose. The County Junior Championships will follow on 26-27 September. Note that all juniors wishing to be considered for selection for an ICC team are expected to play in these Championships. Contact Steve Ridge as below for details, or see them and the entry form on the YSRA website
5. Organise travel and accommodation for away matches. We pay expenses at 20p per mile for a maximum two cars per team, and up to £25 (£45 for venues in London) per person for overnight accommodation for up to 6 people (seniors) or



- 8 people (juniors). See the [Claim Form](#) for details. We do not subsidise travel or accommodation expenses for matches within the county
6. When Yorkshire is the host, organise a venue (which must be affiliated to ESR), courts and a meal for competitors. Pontefract (contact Steve Ridge on [steve@pontesquash.com](mailto:steve@pontesquash.com), 07772 593775), York (Marc Thomas, as above and 07880 746336) and Abbeydale (Peter Keen as below and 0114 236 4914) are potential venues. YSRA covers the costs of hosting (mainly court fees and a meal) up to £200 for a weekend. Managers can use other venues, but the budget must be adhered to. Venues should invoice the YSRA Treasurer Peter Keen ([peterkeen222@btinternet.com](mailto:peterkeen222@btinternet.com)) directly.
  7. Balls and match record sheets for home matches are provided by ESR
  8. County t-shirts and other clothing:
    - (a) All players representing Yorkshire in the Inter-County Championships and County Cup, are expected to wear the official Yorkshire T shirt (new design for 2015, as we have changed supplier) when playing for the county
    - (b) Our kit is available on the [iProSports website](#). To simplify the admin, and to avoid a postage charge, Team Managers should purchase kit on behalf of their team.
    - (c) Yorkshire Squash contributes towards the cost of the *first* t-shirt, so that the cost to the player is £10 adults and £5 juniors (both are priced at £16 on the iProSports site). Additional shirts or other items of clothing can be ordered directly at the full cost stated on the website.
    - (d) When TMs receive the goods from iProSports they should pay the invoice in full, then notify the YS Treasurer, Peter Keen of the refund required (which is £6 per adult and £11 per junior) or send a copy of the invoice to Peter Keen, 236, Dobcroft Road, Sheffield S11 9LJ. If you want reimbursing by bank transfer, give Peter your bank details, or, if you prefer a cheque, your address
    - (e) Allow at least two weeks from placing the order to delivery
  9. After home matches, send the results to ESR as instructed. After all matches write a report on the match for the YSRA website and send it to Marc Thomas as above, with a team photo if possible.
  10. See the detailed regulations and requirements (e.g. presence of a qualified first aider for Junior fixtures) for the Inter-County Championships on the [ESR website](#). Go to Competitions and Events – Major Events – Inter-County Championships



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### *Team selection*

1. Teams must be selected in merit order. It is vital that team selection is open and transparent. Placings on [Squashlevels](#) or the ESR (Junior) Ranking lists are not necessarily an indication of merit order.
2. To qualify to play for Yorkshire a player must reside in Yorkshire and not have played for another county.
3. When players qualify for two or more age groups, it is up to them to decide in which age group they wish to be considered for selection.
4. In general, YSRA policy is to select the strongest team available for each match from the eligible and available players. This may mean that the composition of the team may change during the season.
5. Travelling reserves should be made aware of the circumstances in which they may or may not get a game (e.g. rotational policy, cover for injury or non-availability for the second day, possibility of a friendly against the other teams reserve etc.).

Mike Clemson, Chairman, YSRA

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