

BRITISH DODGEBALL

SCHOOLS

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CHAMPIONSHIPS

— 2021 - 2022 —



INTRODUCTION

WELCOME TO OUR 21/22 SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIPS GUIDE. WE ARE EXCITED TO BE ABLE TO WELCOME EVERYONE SAFELY BACK ON COURT FOR A NEW SEASON FOLLOWING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC. READ ON FOR MORE DETAILS!



EDUCATION MEMBERSHIP

British Dodgeball offers free club membership to all schools, colleges and universities. All you need to do to become a member of British Dodgeball is complete the form and submit your application as an education establishment for membership of British Dodgeball.

To compete in a Schools Championship event all schools will require a FREE [Education Membership](#).

Becoming a member of British Dodgeball provides us with the opportunity to better understand your needs for dodgeball and how we can support you. Membership is active for 365 days from registration.

SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Our ambition for the 2021/2022 academic year is to host 43 school competitions, one in each Active Partnership Area, across England.

This guide provides schools with all the information they should know about the Schools Championships Pathway. Specific information will be sent to each school regarding the competition they have entered upon receipt of a completed entry form. The event schedule and invoices will be sent once the event entry deadline has passed or when all spaces have been filled.

- Schools Championships are open to children in year 6 but children in younger years can attend at the discretion of the competing school.
- Teams can have a maximum of 10 players
- At the start of a set six players should be on court, with a minimum of two boys and two girls on court.
- Each competition will be run by British Dodgeball staff in association with the listed college, using their Sports Leaders to officiate,
- All events will be run to our Under 11's rules.
- Each Schools Championship event has space for 12 teams
- There is a £50 entry fee applicable per team entered.
- The top school from each Regional School Championship will qualify for the National Final which will be held at a centralised venue
- Those who finish in 1st, 2nd and 3rd place at each competition will receive a medal (maximum of 10 medals per place) . The 1st place team will also receive a trophy.
- At each competition we will also award a sportsmanship trophy to the team we feel has best displayed the dodgeball code throughout the competition.



SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIPS LOCATIONS



We currently have 33 Schools Championships venues and dates booked across the UK. Visit the [website](#) to explore the competition locations and find your nearest competition. These competitions are accepting entries now via the [entry form](#).

Any further competitions will be added to the website once confirmed and entries opened via the entry form.

We also have plans to introduce Schools Championships in other areas of the UK if there is demand for further competitions. If you are interested in a school competition in your region please get in touch with our Youth Development Manager, Alice via alice@britishdodgeball.com.

ENTER A SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIP

SIGN UP NOW!

You can enter a School Championship now by completing and submitting the [entry form](#), which can be used to enter up to 3 teams at once. The deadline for entering teams into a schools championship is two weeks before the event is due to take place. The event schedule will be sent to the competing teams two weeks before the event.

SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIPS COSTS

Entries are £50 per team. Schools will be invoiced for their entries once the event is full or when the event entry deadline is reached. This invoice will be sent directly to the school bursar contact provided on your entry form. If you have any questions about payment please contact alice@britishdodgeball.com.

NATIONAL FINALS

The top team from each of the regional schools championship will be invited to compete at the National Finals. The National Finals will be held at a central location with the venue and date to be confirmed as soon as possible. There will be no additional entry fee to attend the National Finals.



RULES

All Schools Championships will be run to British Dodgeballs under 11s junior rules. Teams are a maximum of 10 players, with six players on the court at any one time. A minimum of two boys and two girls must be on court at the start of each set.

TIMINGS

Set length = 2 mins, match length = 6 sets with 1 minute half time. Winning a set can be done by eliminating all opposing players or by having more players remaining on your side at the end of a set.

POINTS

Teams are awarded 2 points for a set won, 1 for a set drawn, 0 for a set lost. If a match is drawn in knockout or playoff matches, a 1-minute overtime set will be played where teams restart with 6 players. If a match is still drawn, then sudden death will be played.

START OF PLAY

3 foam balls are placed along the centre line. The ball on a team's left is their designated ball, the centre ball is the only contested ball. A ball is not live until it is passed back beyond the return line (see the court markings diagram below).

LIVE BALLS

At the start of the game a ball must go behind the ball return line before being thrown. A ball is live until it hits a floor, wall or any other surrounding surface. Multiple play is possible with a live ball (see below).

HITS

Any player struck with a live ball by an opposing player will be called out. Face shots do not count unless a player's face stops the ball from hitting their body. A player hit on the side or back of the head will be called out.

CATCHES

Any catch on a live ball will be valid. The player who threw the caught ball will be called out and the catching team will gain one player from the outbox.

BLOCKING

Players are able to use a ball in their possession to block an incoming ball. If the ball they are holding is knocked from their possession, they will be called out.

LINES

Primary dodgeball is played using a badminton court, players are encouraged to stay inside the court markings and not necessarily called out for stepping over the side/back lines. Players may leave the court to collect balls by putting their hand up, players must return to court from behind the back line.

STALLING

Players should not intentionally stall the game. Once a team has possession of 2 or 3 balls, they should look to make an attempt with at least one of those balls. When a referee calls 'play ball', a team has 5 seconds to throw. If they do not then players holding balls will be called out, teams can keep one ball after 'play ball' has been called, and must throw the rest.

RULES

MULTIPLE PLAY

The following are examples of multiple play: a player will be called out if they are hit by a ball that has deflected off a teammate whilst it is still live, a catch is valid if it has deflected off a teammate whilst it is still live – in this circumstance the hit player plus the thrower will be called out – if the hit player is the first one out, then they will immediately return to the court.

OUTBOXES AND SUBSTITUTES

When out players must stand in the designated out box area. Any substitutes must sit in the designated out box area.

Please remember that referees are human and cannot see everything that happens on court, please do not argue or dispute decisions, and encourage children to show them respect in line with our dodgeball code below.



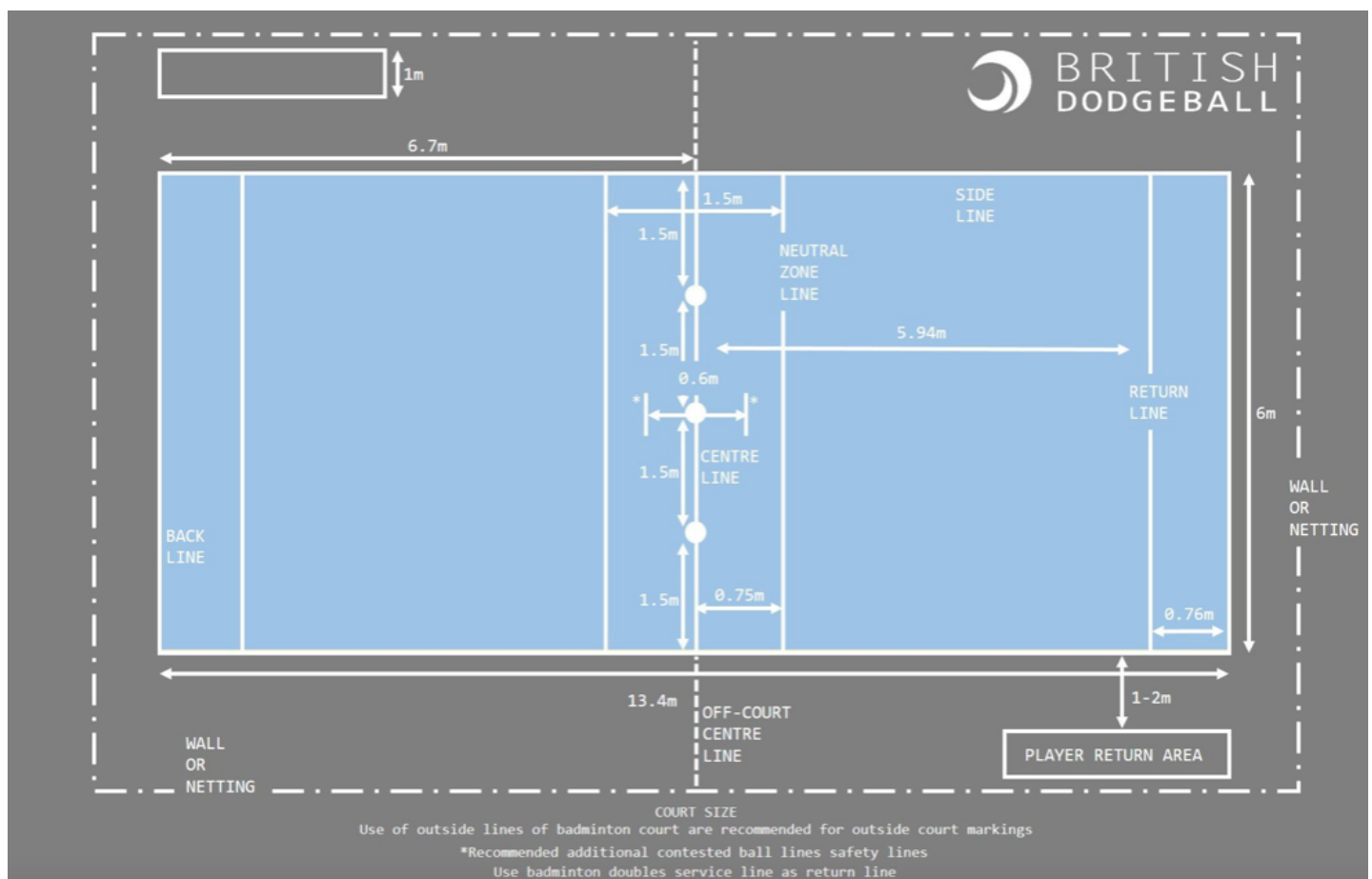
THE COURT

For under 11's, the recommended court size is equivalent to a standard badminton court, and therefore the outside badminton lines should be used as outside court lines. A standard badminton court is approximately 13.4m x 6m.

A "centre line" will be marked across the court at exactly halfway between the back lines (or walls if playing wall to wall).

Markings are recommended at 1.5m, 3m and 4.5m along the centre line to indicate where the three balls should be placed at the start of play.

"Contested ball safety lines" are recommended 0.3m either side of the centre line for the central ball, indicating to runners where it is recommended they stop for safety when contesting the middle ball. Players will not be called out for stepping on or going over the "contested ball safety lines"



THE DODGEBALL CODE

RESPECT HONESTY FAIR PLAY INTEGRITY

When I play dodgeball, I make myself proud.

I will play by the rules and be honest at all times.

I will try my best in every game and let my passion show.

I will respect my opponents, and always demonstrate fair play.

If I'm not sure what happened, I will ask referees and others around me.

I will respect their decisions.

I know that playing with integrity makes dodgeball more enjoyable for all.

This drives the sport forwards.

The future of dodgeball is here.

Come join in.

TEAM SHEET

Please complete one team sheet for each team attending the event.

School Name:	
Event:	
Event Date:	

Coach / Teacher must list all players in the team playing at this event.

	TEAM MEMBER First Name/Last Name
1	
2	
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Coach/Teachers name:	

By signing this team sheet the teacher agrees that each player in his/her team will abide by the rules and regulations of the British Dodgeball and follow all instructions from British Dodgeball officials and officers at the competition.

This form must be completed, signed and delivered to the competitions coordinator prior to the event or on the day of the event day, along with a photo consent form for each child listed.

Participation in any sporting activity is entirely at your own risk and the organisers, their agents or servants do not accept liability for any personal injury or loss/damage to property howsoever caused.

The safety and welfare of juniors at the events is the responsibility of the coach/teacher/parent or responsible adult who has brought them to the event.

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PHOTO/VIDEO/AUDIO CONSENT FORM

We would be grateful if you would fill in this form to us permission to take photos/videos/audio of your child and use these in our printed, digital and online publicity. Please get one form completed for each child, and bring these with you on the day of the event or email a copy to Alice (alice@britishdodgeball.com) before the event.

I give British Dodgeball permission to use (please tick the appropriate options):

Photographs ☐

Videos ☐

Audio ☐

I grant British Dodgeball full rights to use the images/ video/ audio resulting from the photography/ filming/ sound recording, and any reproduction or adaptations of the images for fundraising, publicity or other purposes to help achieve British Dodgeball's aims. This may include (but is not limited to), the right to use them in British Dodgeball's printed and online publicity, social media, press releases and funding applications.

Children's real names will not be used/ credited in order to protect identities.

Name of child:

Name of School:

Name of parent/guardian:

Signature of parent/guardian:

Date:

FURTHER OPPORTUNITIES

DODGEBALL IS NOT JUST ABOUT COMPETITION!



INTRODUCTORY WORKSHOP

Our [introductory workshop](#) is perfect for those wishing to refresh their knowledge of dodgeball or for those completely new to the sport. The 1-3 hour workshop is very much practical based and will be ideal for teachers, club volunteers and workplace staff. This short courses covers skills, rules and linking dodgeball in to PE lessons.

INTRODUCTION TO SCHOOL DODGEBALL - ONLINE COURSE

Our [introduction to school dogeball online course](#) is specifically aimed at those working in school environments. It gives an introduction to the correct rules, equipment and sporting code used in dodgeball. It will also help you consider how to lead safe sessions and coach the basic skills of dodgeball. Finally, this course contains school-specific pages which will help you to adapt dodgeball for PE lessons, planning and teaching effectively.

LEADERSHIP COURSE

British Dodgeball Leaders Workshop can be delivered to between 10 and 24 participants aged 7-18. The 3 hour course will teach leaders the importance of health and safety, basic dodgeball skills, an introduction to coaching and communication, and the rules of the game. The leaders will have lots of fun playing dodgeball, whilst learning lots of new and inclusive games. If you are interested in booking a leadership course contact hello@britishdodgeball.com or register your interest on our [website](#).

STARTING A NEW JUNIOR CLUB

If you are interested in setting up a new junior club, or looking to start an after school club, we have a plenty of free resources you can use. Find resources to [support club set up](#) or resources to help with [session ideas and plans](#) on our website. Our Youth Development Manager, Alice is always happy to help. Email her via alice@britishdodgeball.com.

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