

WSF MEMBER INFORMATION – FEBRUARY 2018

For: Regions, Nations and Commission Members

WSF AGM 2018

As notified, we are pleased to confirm that the WSF AGM this year will be held in Cairo, Egypt in October, hosted by the Egyptian Squash Federation.

Package and booking details will be circulated in due course, but for now here are the outline details:

Wed 24 October: WSF Executive Board / WSF Executive Committee meetings

Thu 25 October: various WSF Commission meetings

Fri 26 October: Conference Day

Sat 27 October: WSF AGM

WSF BOARD MEETING REPORT

The details were circulated to National federations last week, and can be viewed on the WSF website [here](#):

OLYMPIC BID

One element that the Olympic Bid Management Group are preparing is a list of celebrities who play squash, along with potential advocates for the bid.

So, if you know of celebrities who play squash in your country do let us know please. They can come from sports, business, politics, music or film – and ideally resonating with youth.

Potential advocates could include prominent business leaders that are connected to squash globally or locally through their sponsorship, technologies etc. Influencers on topics such as gender equality, community development etc. that you have interacted with.

Suggestions welcomed please.

WSF WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS 2018

Entries for the Men's and Women's World Individuals (18 – 23 July) hosted by the Indian Squash Federation in Chennai have opened, with details in the General Information circulated to all Members. Online entries close on 30 May.

WSF WOMEN'S WORLD TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP 2018

As member nations will know from the circulation of the entry form, we were delighted that the Chinese and Dalian Squash Associations were able to secure ministry approval to host the event in Dalian, China from 11 – 16 September this year. Entries close on 19 March.

A media announcement will be made after the end of the Winter Olympic Games due to officials being in Korea.

WSF WORLD COACHING CONFERENCE 2018

Registration is open for this conference at Gold Coast, Australia, being held 21 – 23 September. For details please click [here](#):

WSF WORLD DOUBLES 2019

Dates for the WSF World Doubles next year being played at Gold Coast, Australia, hosted by Squash Australia, are 18 – 22 June 2019.

PSA TOUR RULE CHANGE

PSA have confirmed new Tour event warm up timings taking effect immediately, as below.

The new timings for the referees are as follows:

- *Warm-up, as per previous trials, will consist of four minutes warm-up time followed by a one minute* interval.*
- *Game intervals will remain at two minutes as per the current PSA Tour Rule Book.*

**The warm up interval may be increased to 90 seconds if the player areas are situated in what is deemed to be an excessive distance from the court door. This determination can only be made by the PSA Representative, Tournament Promoter or Tournament Referee.*

Note: referees will be encouraged to ensure play starts immediately after the one minute post warm-up interval and after the two minute interval between games.

To place these amendments in context, they are not changes to the Rules of the Game, and are only applicable for the PSA Tour. However the maximum two minute break between games was adopted for WSF World Championships from January 2016 onwards. Whether the four minute warm-up will become used at World Championships will now be discussed following this PSA notification.

BEWARE!

Scammers are again purporting to be the Nigerian Squash Federation and requesting nations host them on training camps. The correct address for the Nigerian Federation address is **nigeriasquashfed**, NOT nigeriansquashracketsfederation

(To easily remember, if the address includes *racket*, then it is a racket!)

REMINDERS

WSF FACEBOOK PAGE

If you have any events or other interesting news that you think would be of interest to the wider squash world and would like us to share it on the WSF Facebook page, please don't hesitate to send the WSF Office the details.

CALENDAR UPLOADED

The [WSF World Calendar](#) is updated monthly; you can add your National Championships to it [here](#).

WSF COACH EDUCATION PROGRAMME

Full details can be found [here](#) along with a list of [National Course Managers](#).

WSF DIRECTORY

The current edition of the [WSF Directory](#) with updated National Federation addresses, WSF Commission details, and much more besides is on the WSF website. Please check your information and let us know of any changes for the next edition please.