



ENGLISH MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIPS 2015

VENUE & DATES

Venue: Sir David Wallace Hall, Loughborough University (East Entrance), Towers Way, Loughborough LE11 3TU

Competition Dates: Friday 13th March – Boys Championships
Saturday 14th March – Senior Championships
Sunday 15th March – Junior Championships
(Senior and Junior Championships combined with Women's Championships)

Entry Opening Date: Thursday 20th November 2014

Entry Closing Date: Monday 2nd February 2015 (late, incorrect or incomplete Entries will NOT be accepted)

Organisers: **Competition Director:** Sue James - southeast@british-gymnastics.org
Telephone (Mobile): 07595 902240
Competition Controller: Barry McLaughlin - barry1mclaughlin@aol.com
Telephone (Mobile): 07805 066023

Competition Sections: **Note that the age groups used here are generic and apply to the English Championships, but do not necessarily match those listed in the British MTC Handbook. Please refer to YEAR BORN description contained in the following Rules.**

BOYS: Age 2003 and 2004 born. FIG Junior Code + all BG amendments and exceptions (was previously Under 12 Code)

JUNIORS: Age 2000 / 2001 / 2002 born. FIG Junior Code throughout (no exceptions or amendments)

SENIORS: There will be two age groupings:-
Competition A – Age 1997 / 1998 / 1999 born (FIG Senior Code)
Competition B – Age 1996 born or earlier (FIG Senior Code)

- All Sections will be judged using FIG Competition 1 (Cycle 13) Rules.
- Competing gymnasts will qualify for awards, as long as they hold a valid British Passport, are **normally*** resident in the UK and are eligible to compete for Great Britain under FIG Rules. Gymnasts that fulfil this criteria, but have represented another Home Country (Northern Ireland, Scotland or Wales) at a previous Commonwealth Games or 2014 Commonwealth Games Trial (for one of the aforementioned), are excluded from obtaining awards unless permission has been obtained from the Home Country in question for a Gymnast to be eligible.
- All competing Gymnasts & Coaches **MUST** be current members of British Gymnastics.
- Foreign Competitors & Coaches: The Host Federation and Organising Committee will not be held responsible for any liabilities in case of accidents, illness, repatriation and the like. **ALL participating**

- **foreign competitors and coaches** are, therefore, responsible for making their own arrangements to have the necessary valid Insurance coverage against illness, accidents and for repatriation. Insurance

Cover Note or photocopy of the valid Insurance Policy should be sent through to the Competition Director or Competition Controller prior to the start of the event. Delegation members with insufficient Insurance cover must inform the LOC in advance.

- Rules may be subject to change at a later date.

* ***Gymnasts who are not normally resident in the UK must request permission from the organisers prior to entry.***

COMPETITION SECTIONS

Entry Fee: £50 per Gymnast. For these Championships and with effect from 20th November 2014 to 2nd February 2015, Clubs must enter their gymnasts' entry details on-line via the British Gymnastics, GymNet Competition Entry System. To do this – please log on to: <https://memberportal.british-gymnastics.org/GymNet/>.

First time users of the system should contact the Customer Service Department at British Gymnastics on Tel: 0845 1297129 Ext 2395 to enable event entry permission to be added.

Any problems/queries relating to the on-line entry process, please contact Jan Charlton, the EGA Admin Manager on Tel: 0845 1297129 Ext 2640 or via email at jan.charlton@englishgymnastics.org.uk.

Coaches

- **One (1)** Coach per Gymnast from **two (2)** nominated will be permitted on the Competition area at any one time.
- All Coaches should be qualified and experienced to the level of the participant's performance (ie hold a current award appropriate to the skills being performed by the gymnast). The Coach also has a duty to ensure that the participant is adequately prepared for the event.
- All Coaches **MUST** be current full Members of British Gymnastics.

Order of Rotation

The draw will be included with your Competition Programme, which will be sent to you in advance. Where possible, we will endeavour to keep Gymnasts from the same Club together.

Awards, Prizes & Presentations

- The Overall Boys, Youth & Senior Champions will be awarded salvers, along with an AA Gold Medal and £150. The Personal Coach of the Overall Youth & Senior Champions will receive £50.
- Apparatus Winners, within each Section / Piece, will be determined by the AA scores. Medals will be awarded for 1st to 3rd.

SPECIAL NOTE FOR VAULT

The following Rules apply for eligibility for a Vault ranking and medal. All gymnasts performing 2 Vaults must indicate so on their Entry Form.

Seniors & Juniors	FIG Rules apply
Boys	A single Vault to count

PROTESTS

Protests are permitted and should be forwarded to the Competition Director (Sue James) along with a £15 Protest Fee. Protests will be accepted within **ONE** rotation of the performance being questioned (eg if you are protesting a gymnast's performance on the first apparatus, an official Application must be received before the gymnast rotates to the 3rd piece. The Fee will be returned if the Protest is successful or retained if the Protest is denied).

EQUIPMENT

- Equipment for the 2015 Championships will be Gymnova.
- In accordance with the current FIG Rules, certain apparatus may be raised in order to cater for taller Gymnasts. Please indicate on the Entry Form if this will be required for any of your Gymnasts.
- Spring Boards: Super and Sprung boards will be provided. Gymnasts will not be permitted to bring their own Spring Boards.

VERY IMPORTANT NOTES – PLEASE READ!

1. Please advise at Registration if you intend to perform x 2 Vaults for Apparatus Awards.
2. Please endeavour to have your gymnasts registered at the time stated.
3. Gymnasts are to provide their own chalk.
4. Numbers for Gymnasts will be provided at Registration.
5. If you have any withdrawals – please email these to southeast@british-gymnastics.org (up to 48 hours before the event starts) or let the Competition Director, Sue James, know (Mobile Tel: 07595 902240).
6. **ALL** Gymnasts, Coaches & Judges will be issued with Entry Passes in advance. The Registration Point will be clearly signposted. Entry Passes will be sent out with Competition Start Lists before the competition.
7. Spectator Tickets can be purchased by using the Order Form enclosed with the Information Pack or by sending a Stamp Addressed Envelope (SAE), along with the number of tickets required and cheque for the appropriate amount (Cheques payable to English Gymnastics Association).
8. Video & Photography Registration will be available on the relevant day of competition. **NO** charge will be made to Spectators registering, but **ANY** Spectator wishing to register **MUST** provide Official ID upon Registration, as well as state whom they are videoing/photographing.
9. If a Gymnast fails to compete on any piece, please inform the Judges in order that a zero score can be entered.
10. The British Gymnastics Jewellery Policy will be enforced for both Gymnasts and Coaches.
11. Any Gymnast who is injured in this 6 piece event, and is withdrawn from the competition by the Medical Commission, will still be eligible for individual Apparatus medals.

SPECTATOR TICKETS

Tickets for Spectators (per day) will cost:

- £10.00 per Adult
- £7.00 for Children Under 12 & Seniors

Spectator Ticket Order Forms are enclosed and are also available from the English Gymnastics website www.englishgymnastics.org.uk. Tickets can now also be ordered either by email at tickets@englishgymnaswtics.org.uk or online via www.gymdata.co.uk / Future Events / 2015 English Championships.

Please Note: Applications for tickets for the Senior event are always heavy, so please advise members of your Club to apply early. Tickets may also be available on entry at the venue. Cheques should be made payable to the **English Gymnastics Association**.

FILMING & PHOTOGRAPHY

Registration will be required for Spectators at this Competition and can be completed at the Spectator Entrance. However, please inform your parents that official photographic Proof of Identity will be required (ie Passport or Driving License).

VENUE LOCATION

**Sir David Wallace Hall, Loughborough University
(East Entrance), Towers Way, Loughborough LE11 3TU**



