



# ENGLISH WOMEN'S ARTISTIC CHAMPIONSHIPS 2017

## VENUE & DATES

- Venue:** Sir David Wallace Hall, Loughborough University, East Entrance, LE11 3TU.
- Competition Dates:** The dates for each competition shown below are provisional and will be confirmed once entries have closed and we have the numbers in each category.  
Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April – Espoir Championships  
Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> April – Senior Championships  
Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April – Junior Championships  
(All Women's Championships will be combined with the Men's Championships)
- Entry Opening Date:** Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2017
- Entry Closing Date:** Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2017 (late, incorrect or incomplete Entries will NOT be accepted)
- Organisers:** **Competition Director:** Sue James – [sue.james@englishgymnastics.org.uk](mailto:sue.james@englishgymnastics.org.uk)  
**Competition Controller:** Barry McLaughlin - [barry1mclaughlin@aol.com](mailto:barry1mclaughlin@aol.com)
- Competition Criteria:** Women's Espoir: Aged 12-13 during 2017 (Min DOB 2005 / Max DOB 2004)  
Women's Junior: Aged 14-15 during 2017 (Min DOB 2003 / Max DOB 2002)  
Women's Senior: Aged 16+ during 2017 (Born 2001 or older)

- All Sections will be judged using FIG Competition 1 (Cycle 14) 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 SECTION

### **Entry Fee:**

- £55 per Gymnast. For these Championships and with effect from 6th January 2017 to 17th February 2017, 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 Dept at British Gymnastics on Tel: 0345 1297129 Ext 2395 to enable event entry permission to be added. Any problems/queries relating to the on-line entry process, please contact the EGA Admin Manager, Jan Charlton, on Tel: 0345 1297129 Ext 2640.

## 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 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 Espoir, Junior & Senior Champions will be awarded salvers, along with an AA Gold Medal and £150. The Personal Coach of the Overall Espoir, Junior & Senior Champions will receive £50.

## Apparatus Medals

- Apparatus Winners, within each Competition / Piece, will be determined by the scores from the main competition. Medals will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup>.

## Vault Apparatus Scoring

- Gymnasts attempting to win a medal on Vault will be expected to show two Vaults as per FIG Rules. The first Vault performed will count towards the Gymnast's AA Total, whilst the second Vault score will be averaged with the first to determine a ranking for the Vault Medals.

## Espoir and Junior Vaults

- Will be able to do two Vaults from the same category.

## 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 3<sup>rd</sup> piece). The Fee will be returned if the Protest is successful or retained if the Protest is denied.

## EQUIPMENT

- Equipment for the 2017 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 at the time of making the Entry 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 on the ENTRY form if you intend to perform 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 [sue.james@englishgymnastics.org.uk](mailto:sue.james@englishgymnastics.org.uk) (up to 48 hours before the event starts) or let the EGA Admin Manager, Jan Charlton, know (Email: [jan.charlton@englishgymnastics.org.uk](mailto:jan.charlton@englishgymnastics.org.uk) / Tel: 0345 1297120 Ext 2640).
6. **ALL** Gymnasts, Coaches & Judges will be issued with Entry Passes in advance. The Registration Point will be clearly signposted.

7. **MUSIC** may be uploaded to the Gymdata or BG Online Entry System before the event, as a .wav or mp3 file. Please ensure you bring a backup CD to the event, which should be clearly labelled with the Gymnast's Number, Name and Club on CD's **ONLY**. Please hand in at Registration, if required, and ensure that the Gymnast's Number is shown to the Announcer prior to their Floor Routine.
8. If a Gymnast fails to compete on any piece, please inform the Judges in order that a zero score can be entered.
9. The British Gymnastics Jewellery Policy will be enforced for both Gymnasts and Coaches.
10. Any Gymnast who is injured in this 4 piece event, and is withdrawn from the competition by the Medical Commission, will still be eligible for individual apparatus medals.

## SPECTATOR TICKETS

Applications for tickets are always heavy, so please advise members of your Club to apply online before the event. Tickets for Spectators (per day) will cost:

- £12.00 per Adult
- £9.00 for Children Under 12 & OAPs

Discounted tickets may be purchased prior to the event online via [www.gymdata.co.uk/events/tickets-buy.aspx?eid=715](http://www.gymdata.co.uk/events/tickets-buy.aspx?eid=715)

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

**ALL online ticket orders will incur a charge of £2.00 (per order NOT per ticket) for Handling and postage.**

**Please Note:** We cannot guarantee that any tickets will be available to purchase on the door each day so would advise everyone to purchase tickets in advance of the Championships.

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