

# WORDS OF WELCOME DUTCH JUNIOR OPEN 2025

What a great run towards this event. With again more then 500 players around the world from more then 45 different countries joining for the 37<sup>th</sup> edition of the Dutch Junior Open. Having such a big number does require support from every player, coach, referee, organization, and supporters. Let's all try to enjoy this event and support each other as much as possible.

As one of the last big tournaments off the season for some players before they take their talents to the professional level stage. For many of the younger players, it will be their first taste of such a large international event. It promises to be four days of spectacular sport for all, in an excellent venue and a wonderful city.

We would like to thank all those people and the ESF, the volunteers and the management of the Frans Otten Stadion for their help and support.

We are ready for the Dutch Junior Open. I hope that we will all make it an unforgettable time with each other. I want to wish you all, also on behalf of the Frans Otten Stadion Team and the Dutch Junior Open Team, all the best of luck and an enjoyable experience. And have fun in Amsterdam as well!

Kind Regards,

Donny van Hal Tournament Director Dutch Junior Open 2025





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#### A welcome from the Tournament Referee: Ash Patel

A very warm welcome to the Dutch Junior Open Squash 2025! My name is Ash Patel, and I am the Tournament Referee. I'm truly delighted to see all of you here.

This tournament is one of the largest and most prestigious junior squash events in the world. It's amazing to witness so many talented players from all around the globe coming together. This is not just an opportunity to compete and win, but also to make new friends, share experiences, and grow as both players and individuals.

I'd like to extend my gratitude to everyone who has contributed to this event: the organizers, sponsors, volunteers, and of course, all of you – the players and coaches. Together, we're making this a fair and sportsmanlike tournament.

As the refereeing team, we'll do our utmost to ensure that all matches are conducted according to the rules and in the spirit of fair play. Please feel free to approach us with any questions or concerns – we're here to support you and make sure you feel welcome and respected. Remember: squash is not only about winning, but also about respect and good sportsmanship.

#### Code of Conduct

I would also like to emphasize the importance of following the Code of Conduct, which applies to all players, coaches, and parents:

Players: You are expected to compete fairly and play within the rules at all times. Respect for your opponent, the referees, and the tournament staff is essential.

Bad behavior will not be tolerated, including: Racket abuse,Bad language, Failing to follow the referees' instructions, Arguing with the referees, Returning late to the court after a break and Deliberately delaying play. Such behavior will be penalized and may result in disciplinary action, including possible suspension from the tournament.

Coaches: While your support and encouragement are invaluable, it is crucial that you do not interfere with the referees' decisions or attempt to influence them during matches. All coaches must respect the authority of the referees. Coaching while the match is in progress is strictly prohibited. Any interference or negative behaviour will not be tolerated and may lead to sanctions.

Parents: We encourage you to support your children and the tournament positively, showing respect to all players, referees, and officials. Let's work together to create a safe and enjoyable environment for everyone involved.

We're counting on everyone's cooperation to ensure that the Dutch Junior Open remains a positive, fair, and safe experience for all.

I wish everyone the best of luck and lots of enjoyment. Let's make this a fantastic tournament together!

ASH PATEL TOURNAMENT REFEREE DJO 2025



#### SQUASH INFORMATION

Firstly, in this section, we would like to welcome you all to this event. We hope that everything runs smoothly and that we can enjoy all aspects of this year's Dutch Junior Open.

#### TOURNAMENT SCHEDULES

You will find the complete draws on the tv's in the venue next to the tournament desk or visit <u>www.djosquash.com</u>. Please note that match times may change till the evening before your match. Players not at the court at the scheduled time for any reason their match are at large risk of being disqualified.

#### **GOGGLES & REFFEREERING**

All players must wear approved eye-guards during all play, including the warm-up. All players are required to referee after their match (either you win or lose), both report to the Tournament Desk immediately after your match. Please announce decisions and scores loudly and clearly. This makes squash more attractive to spectators. For the first round we do our best to find people who want to be a referee, after the first match both players will have to referee together the next match. New this year for the spectators to follow matches is the paper on the window for the game scores, please put this on the window as Referee and fill in the game scores after each game.

#### PHYSIOTHERAPIST

During the tournament, a physiotherapist will be available daily from 10:00 till 20:00 for massages and sporting tape.

#### STRINGING SERVICE

If you need your racket to be restringed then please go to the reception of the Frans Otten Stadion and ask about the prices and possibilities.

#### PRACTISE COURTS

There are practice courts available before the start of the tournament (when available) trough <u>Kevin@fransottenstadion.nl</u>. During the tournament, there are NO practice courts available at the Frans Otten Stadion.

If you would like to book a practice court during the tournament you should contact Sportsclub Match. There is no shuttle service to this venue. As this venue is not an official DJO venue. Sint Gilleshof 5, Amsterdam Tel: +31 20 3010700



### VENUE

The Frans Otten Stadion is one of the most modern accommodations in Europe. Besides the 21 squash courts there is also the opportunity to play tennis, play padel, to use the fitness accommodation and congress facilities.

Squash Bond Nederland has organized various championships, such as the Dutch Nationals, European (Team) Championships and World Championships.

Where is what at the Frans Otten Stadion?

- Ground Floor: court 11 to 21, Centre Court (21)
- First Floor: changing rooms and toilet
- Second Floor: court 1 to 10, restaurant, physio, Tournament and info desk.

Lunch and dinner will take place on the upper floor on the right side near the view on the Centre Court.

#### Wi-Fi

There is free Wi-Fi in the stadium.

• WIFI: FOS Gasten

#### **IMPORTANT INFO**

All participants who have booked a hotel package receive a badge for entrance to the lunch and dining hall to get their meals. If you lose your badge, you must buy tokens.

The badge gives entry to the following meals:

- Lunch and dinner on Thursday
- Lunch and dinner on Friday
- Lunch and dinner on Saturday
- Lunch on Sunday

#### LUNCH & DINNER TIMES

Lunch will be served in the dining hall at the Frans Otten Stadion between 12:00h and 14:30h, dinner will be served between 18:00h and 20:30h.

MEALS WILL ONLY BE SERVED BETWEEN THESE TIMES



### HOTEL

Van Der Valk Hotel and Olympic Hotel:

When expected to make extra expenses at the hotel, you must deposit a credit card at the hotel check-in desk. It is possible to have multiple rooms on one credit card, but only when the owner of the credit card agrees.

At the hotel there is a fitness, sauna and swimming pool. You can make use of these facilities, but ONLY with supervision of a coach or staff member. On every five players there must be at least one supervisor.

The hotel packages are including breakfast, which is served between 05:00h and 11:00h.

IT IS NOT ALLOWED TO TAKE TOWELS FROM THE HOTEL TO VENUE.



### BUS SCHEDULE VAN DER VALK HOTEL AND SCHIPHOL AIRPORT

For transport from the Airport to the Hotel or from the Hotel to the Airport please visit this link: <a href="https://www.hotelschiphol.com/park-sleep-fly/shuttle-service/">https://www.hotelschiphol.com/park-sleep-fly/shuttle-service/</a> This is only for Hotel VD Valk, if you booked The Olympic Hotel please take the train or Uber/Taxi to the Hotel.

Departure from Schiphol airport is at bus stop A9 - A13 in front of the arrival hall.

#### DEPARTURE TIMES FROM HOTEL TO SCHIPHOL AIRPORT

05.00 hrs	11.20 hrs	18.00 hrs
05.30 hrs	12.00 hrs	18.40 hrs
06:00 hrs	12.40 hrs	19:20 hrs
06.40 hrs	13.20 hrs	20.00 hrs
07.20 hrs	14.00 hrs	20.40 hrs
08.00 hrs	14.40 hrs	21.20 hrs
08.40 hrs	15.20 hrs	22.00 hrs
09.20 hrs	16.00 hrs	22.40 hrs
10.00 hrs	16.40 hrs	23.20 hrs
10.40 hrs	17.20 hrs	

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05.10 hrs	11.40 hrs	18.20 hrs
05.40 hrs	12.20 hrs	19.00 hrs
06.20 hrs	13.00 hrs	19.40 hrs
07.00 hrs	13.40 hrs	20.20 hrs
07.40 hrs	14.20 hrs	21.00 hrs
08.20 hrs	15.00 hrs	21.40 hrs
09.00 hrs	15.40 hrs	22.20 hrs
09.40 hrs	16.20 hrs	23.00 hrs
10.20 hrs	17.00 hrs	23.40 hrs
11.00 hrs	17.40 hrs	



### LOCAL TRAVEL

There are excellent connections to the city centre. Several buses and trams leave from the stop IJsbaanpad, 8 minutes' walk from the venue (Turn right out of the venue, and the tram stop is 750 m. down the road). Tram 16 goes to Amsterdam Central Station.

To schedule your journey to your destination you can use the link below. Please make sure you use IJsbaanpad 43, Amsterdam as location of the Frans Otten Stadion. https://9292.nl/en



Tickets should be bought when starting the journey, the tickets lasts for one hour. The trams stop running at midnight. Everywhere in the city, you must pay to park your car. If you fail to pay and display a ticket, you risk a large fine or your car will be towed.



## **BUS SHUTTLE SERVICE**

During the tournament, we are providing a shuttle bus service between the Frans Otten Stadion and the Van der Valk Hotel for package players and coaches only. Be sharp that the pick up location is at the parking place in front of Sporthallen Zuid.

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At the hotel the bus will stop in front!



### BUS SCHEDULE: VAN DER VALK – FRANS OTTEN STADION

There will be a bus driving from hotel Van der Valk to the Frans Otten Stadion, below you will find the days, times and the frequency of the bus.

Note: Please be aware that yellow times are normally busy times and the bus may take longer than normal due to traffic jam. It's a player's responsibility to make sure they are at the venue on time to play their matches. Please take the yellow times into account.

# THURSDAY / FRIDAY / SATURDAY

FOS - Hotel Valk

Thursday, Friday and Saturday

Hotel Valk - FOS

<mark>07:30</mark> 08:30	
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	22:00
	23:00



# SUNDAY

Hotel Valk - FOS	FOS - Hotel Valk
07:30	
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12:30	13:00
	15:00
	17:00
	19:00



### EMERGENCIES

In case of emergency always inform the tournament organization at the infodesk. They can offer support if necessary. Depending on the emergency, they can call the central emergency number 112 or take the victim to the A&E department, a nearby hospital, or to a general practitioner (GP)

May there be a small injury during the tournament, you can visit the tournament physical therapist at the second floor on specific amount of times.

What to do in case of emergency?

In case of a situation or accident requiring emergency help, there are various options:

- Report a emergency as quicly as possible at Ash Patel (TR) or Donny van Hal (TD) or the Info Desk.
- Telephone the emergency number 112.
- Take the victim to the Accident and Emergency (A&E) department or a nearby hospital.

The nearest hospital to the squash centre is: VU Academic Medisch Centrum De Boelelaan 1117 1081 HZ Amsterdam Tel: +31 20 444 44 44

This can be reached by turning right out of the venue and right again at the traffic lights. Go under the motorway bridge and turn left at the 2nd traffic lights. It is a 3-minute drive.

THINGS TO BRING TO FIRST AID/HOSPITAL Bring your identification, cash/credit card and insurance card if possible to the emergency



### GENERAL INFORMATION

Any questions which you have, should be asked at the Info Desk. Please do not ask questions at the Tournament Desk. They are busy with the playing schedule.

Many participants have travelled a long way to be here – not turning up for a match is letting them down. Apart from disappointing your opponent, the ESF has penalties for not completing the event.

All sports bags should be kept in the 'Bag Area'. When you have to play your match, you can take your bag to the court, but after your match you have to put your bag in the 'Bag Area'.

We must include a word of warning. Dutch law is that nobody under the age of 18 may purchase or drink alcohol. You may be required to supply proof of your age when you are under 25 to purchase alcohol.

Your behavior is expected to be excellent throughout this tournament, aswell for players, coaches and travelling staff. Any bad behavior will be treated very seriously.

Everybody is expected to attend the prize ceremony on Sunday afternoon, after the finals at around 17:00h.



## CITY OF AMSTERDAM

Let us welcome you to Amsterdam, a place of many inspiring and surprising faces. No other city mixes cosmopolitan style and relaxed atmosphere quite like Amsterdam, where our hospitable nature attracts an excitingly diverse population. We invite you to join us and make our metropolis your own during your stay.

Whether admiring the Golden Age gabled merchants' houses of the old city center or marveling at the sleek skylines of the new Zuid as and harbor areas, you will see that the people of Amsterdam pride themselves on the city's rich history while keeping focused on the future. Creative energy and innovation abound, strengthening and inspiring the established international business community.

Amsterdam has a long and impressive sporting tradition. In 1928 the city hosted the Olympic Games. The recently renovated Olympic stadium is the legacy of this event. During this Olympics, it has been the first time where the Olympic fire got lighted.

More recently the city has hosted numerous major sporting events. In 2010 Amsterdam hosted the start of the Giro d'Italia. With 35,000 participants, the annual Amsterdam marathon is one of the largest marathons in Europe. In 2016 Amsterdam organized the European Athletics Championships. In addition, the city has witnessed the many successes of Amsterdam-based football club Ajax, both nationally and internationally.

Do you want discover Amsterdam? Trough <u>this link</u> you can find activities, sports, musea and food and drinks.







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