

Mixed/Women's/Seniors Olympiad Trials 2020

The recent Europeans Trials were shortened due to receiving fewer entries than anticipated. The Selection Committee have decided to shorten the Olympiad Trials pre-emptively to allow players to make appropriate arrangements.

In all cases, the trial will start on the Saturday; assuming entries of between four and eight teams, the event will start with a two-day round-robin, with a final to take place on the Monday and Tuesday.

Revised dates:

Mixed: 4th-7th April. Entries close 19th March at 5pm.

Seniors: 25th-28th April. Entries close 9th April at 5pm.

Women's: 23rd-26th May. Entries close 1st May at 5pm.

Timings:

Two teams:

Saturday 1030-2010, 4x16 boards

Sunday 1030-1740, 3x16 boards

Three teams: Sets will be played in pairs, with no line-up changes between paired sets. Sets will not be converted to VPs. A team who beats both opponents over the course of the three days will win the event regardless of the margin.

Saturday 1200-1955, 6x8 boards

Sunday 1100-1855, 6x8 boards

Monday 1030-1825, 6x8 boards

Four teams:

Saturday 1130-2010, 3x20 boards

Sunday 1030-1910, 3x20 boards

Final Monday and Tuesday - same timings as for two teams (i.e. finishing 1740 on the Tuesday).

Five or six teams:

Saturday 1030-2010, 5x12 boards

Sunday 1000-1940, 5x12 boards

Final as above

Seven or eight teams:

Saturday 1030-2010, 4x16 boards

Sunday 1030-1740, 3x16 boards

Final as above

Nine or more teams:

Round-robin schedules in line with the above, followed by a 64b semi-final on the Monday and a 64b final on the Tuesday.