

WSO Player Rules Course

Know the Rules, Know the Game

WSO is committed to improving squash for everyone involved in the game by providing greater clarity around the rules. In addition to the range of refereeing qualifications, WSO has developed rules courses that are designed specifically for the non-referee to help enhance the general understanding of the game and improve every individuals experience of squash. We need to achieve global consistency of how the rules are interpreted and implemented by players and referees alike. Standardising and introducing individuals to the same information works towards this goal.

Why bring in a Mandatory Officiating Course for Players?

There are many reasons why taking a mandatory squash rules course offers significant benefits for players, federations, events, and the game as a whole. Below is a brief overview of some of those benefits:

Improved understanding of the game: Players who take the mandatory squash rules course will have a more comprehensive understanding of the regulations and rules of the sport, this will help to promote fair play and prevent disputes on the court. It will also assist in bridging the gap of understanding between players and officials.

Enhanced sportsmanship: By encouraging players to study the rules and regulations of the game, we are encouraging players to develop a stronger sense of sportsmanship and respect for their opponents and the officials.

Improved performance: A deeper understanding of the rules can help players to improve their own performance by understanding movement, lines of thinking, and situational examples involving decisions or rulings. All of these help to further improve a player's knowledge of the strategies and tactics involved in the game.

Provide clarity and continuity: Taking the rules test will help to reduce some of the grey areas involved in squash by providing the player with the same instructions that officials are receiving. They will gain a direct insight into the line of thinking that a referee is encouraged to take.

Increased confidence: By gaining a comprehensive knowledge of the rules and regulations, players will feel more confident and capable when playing in matches.

Better representation of the sport: As knowledgeable and certified players, we are empowering them to serve as ambassadors for squash and help to promote it to others.

In conclusion, it is important that we all do our part in helping to improve the watchability and general experience for every individual involved in squash. Taking a mandatory squash rules course is an excellent investment for players looking to enhance their understanding of the sport, improve their performance, and contribute to the overall growth and development of the game.