



# BREWIN DOLPHIN TOUCH LEAGUE 2012

Dear Team Captain,

EDINBURGH TOUCH LEAGUES  
BROUGHTON RFC, GRANTON ROAD, EDINBURGH

WEDNESDAY 2 MAY & THURSDAY 3 MAY - WEDNESDAY 18TH JULY, THURSDAY 19TH  
JULY 2012

It's that time of year again and the Touch season is quickly approaching and it's time to register for this year's league! We have attached an entry form for you to return to us no later than **FRIDAY 16 MARCH 2012**

Please read carefully below the guidelines for registration this season, to prevent people team-swapping and for insurance purposes it is imperative to your teams registration that you fill in details of all players registered to your team.

## Player/Team Registration

You will find below a team entry form which you as captain can fill in on behalf of your team. However, there is also a section to be completed by each team member where they can fill in their details (MAX 14). It is vital to the growth of Touch communication that we have the correct information to grow our membership information and that all players are registered with us.

Therefore, we insist that each team member or you as captain take the time and small effort to fill out this form with basic details. If this information is not provided then your team will not be registered to play within the league. The information gained shall be used for Touch communication from ourselves and official partners/sponsors. You may register up to a maximum of 14 per team.

Should we feel that you have entered your team in the wrong category, we reserve the right to move your team up or down grades.

**This year we will only allow experienced players to play in the Mixed Experienced and Intermediate Grade 4 categories. However experienced players will be able to still coach lower grades. You have been warned no experienced players in the Beginners or Int 1 & 2 category!!**

Due to the popularity of the mixed league on Wednesday nights, entries will be taken on a first come, first served basis. Therefore, if your not one of the first 90 teams entered, your team will be entered into the mixed league which runs on a Thursday.

If for some reason your team is unable to play at specific times between 18.30 and 20.30 on either night (due to work commitments or team clashes), please put a note at the bottom of your entry form.

## League Standards

Your Team can enter into the following categories:

Mixed Beginners - If your team have never played in the leagues or Touch before and have no players with any Touch or Rugby Union experience.

Mixed Intermediate Grade 1 - One seasons Touch experience/my team has players with some Rugby Union experience

Mixed Intermediate Grade 2 - Two seasons experience

Mixed Intermediate Grade 3 - Three seasons +

Mixed Open – All other teams who have been playing for more than 4 seasons

Men's Beginners - If your team have never played in the leagues or Touch before and have no players with any Touch or Rugby Union experience.

Men's Intermediate Grade 1 - One/Two season's Touch experience

Men's Intermediate Grade 2 - Two/Three season's Touch experience

Men's Open - Four years plus experience

\*NOTE: Men's division will be played on a Thursday evening

Women's Beginners - If your team have never played in the leagues or Touch before and have no players with any Touch or Rugby Union experience.

Women's Open

\* NOTE: We will only run a women's league if there are min of 6 + teams entered into each category and matches shall be played on a Thur nights

We wish to create a meaningful competition where every team can enjoy the Touch experience, and we expect teams to be honest when entering their team into a league. If you won or were in the top four of your league last year, we expect you to enter your team automatically into the next grade up. There were too many teams that simply stayed in the same league last year so they could give other teams a thrashing and win – this is not the spirit of the game and at the end of the day, does not do the participants any favours. As organiser's we maintain the right to move teams between leagues should we deem it necessary and within the spirit of the league.

If you are unsure about which league your team should be entered – call us to discuss your entry before submitting your application.

## Refereeing

Edinburgh Touch are constantly recruiting referees! Although it might seem daunting at first, refereeing is really very enjoyable and rewarding. It's a great way to learn more about the game – rules and game tips you can pass on to your team-mates, see and meet players at different levels and across different divisions. Many players use it as a way of giving

something back to the game. After all one of the jobs of a referee is to help new players learn and enjoy the game.

Teams must be willing to help out with refereeing this year. Each team must nominate one person to referee a couple of matches during the season. Don't worry if your nominated referee is brand new to refereeing, they will not be thrown into a game by themselves. Edinburgh Touch will run a basic entry level courses for new referees on a weekday evening before and during the season so you know what to do. The nominated Ref must try to attend one of these sessions.

If in the unfortunate situation of not having any referees available, then and only then would we ask a nominated Ref to help out – you would never be asked to Ref a game on your own unless you felt able to do so. While this is unlikely – it can happen so please note the above and try to help us – help you!

We will not ask Beginners teams to nominate a Referee and your nominated Ref would only ever be asked max 2 times during a 12 week season.

#### Weather

In the event of postponed weeks due to the weather, as long as the ground is available we shall always endeavour to fulfil all fixtures. There will be no refund on weeks missed.

#### Team Wear

We will be forwarding a PDF file for Kukri our official partners who are offering fantastic kit which can be standard or bespoke. All teams must be correctly attired during the season with properly number t-shirts i.e. 1-14 (either front or back) plus the team name on the front middle of the shirt. Please do not choose yellow or gold as your team colours as this clashes with the referees shirts!

We would also advise that players wear moulded sole boots and NOT trainers as at times the surfaces can be slippery if it has been raining.

Please note any team not correctly attired after week two of the competition may be subject to disqualification.

#### Cost

Team entry for your squad is £290. £35 for individual entry.

Please note that payment can **ONLY** be made by bank transfer. The account details are: **Touch Scotland Sort 832002 Acct No: 00178683 YOU MUST USE YOUR TEAM NAME AS A REFERENCE**. If you do not it will be extremely difficult to keep track of who has paid. Any payment which does not have a reference is likely to be refunded immediately which means your entry will not be processed and you will have to apply again.

Please email back your entry form to : [info@touch-scotland.com](mailto:info@touch-scotland.com)

#### Insurance

It is up to the individual/or the team to acquire personal accident insurance and is at the discretion of the player to complete in the event. The organiser is in no way liable for any injury whilst playing Touch.

Note:

1. Team Captains are responsible for communicating insurance issues to their squad members.
2. Team Captains must register all Team members' details
3. In submitting this form the team captain confirms to Big Blue that he/she has (a) authority from every team member to include his/her name on the registration forms and application form, (b) made every team member aware of the conditions of entry and (c) provided every team member with a copy of the terms and conditions of the league.

Deadline for Entry

Once we have received your team payment and registered your entry you will receive further detailed information.

#### ENTRY FORM - EDINBURGH

**DEADLINE : FRIDAY 19 MARCH 2012**

Following payment by bank transfer for team \_\_\_\_\_  
for entry into the following division (circle/mark as appropriate)

Please find details

Mixed Beginners  
Mixed Intermediate Grade 1  
Mixed Intermediate Grade 2  
Mixed Intermediate Grade 3  
Mixed Intermediate Grade 4  
Mixed Experienced

Men's Beginners  
Men's Intermediate Grade 1  
Men's Intermediate Grade 2  
Men's Experienced

Women's Beginners  
Women's Open

Confirm divisional entry in writing i.e. mixed grade 1 etc:

Team Name:

Captain Name:

Address:

Email:

Tel Day:

Tel Evening:

Mobile:

2nd Contact Name:

Address:

Email:

Tel Day:

Tel Evening:

Mobile:

Nominated Referee: .....

Nominated Referee's email: .....

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If you are entering as an individual please fill in your details above – cost is £35 for the season

**As soon as payment has been made please send completed registration forms and application form as soon as possible to:**

**Touch Co-ordinator, Big Blue, 11 Stanley Road, Edinburgh, EH6 4SE.**

This will help us to match your payment with your application in order for your team entry to be processed. You will not receive a written confirmation of your entry until after the closing deadline.

**Team Registration Form (must be completed and returned with application)**

This data will be used for the purposes of the Brewin Dolphin Touch League and players will only receive information re the League and from its Official Partners. If you do not wish to receive information please inform your team captain and state below if you do not wish to receive offers etc :

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