



## EMAP BRITISH OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026

# Competition Policy

Competition groups may be amended, merged, or cancelled if there are insufficient competitors in any category.

All competitors must wear **approved protective equipment** for sparring: head guard, enclosed finger gloves or boxing gloves (maximum 12oz), shin guards, foot guards, mouth guard, and **groin guard for male competitors**. Failure to comply may result in disqualification.

Late or incomplete entries may be rejected. All entries are accepted on the basis that the event is adequately funded. **No refunds will be issued**, except in the event of full event cancellation.

Participation in the event is **entirely at the competitor's own risk**. Competitors are responsible for ensuring they have appropriate insurance to cover injury, loss, or damage arising from participation.

Any competitor found to have provided **incorrect or false entry information** may be disqualified.

All competitors, coaches, and spectators must accept **all decisions made by officials**. Any concerns must be raised by the registered club coach with an EMAP Event Organiser. Decisions made by officials and organisers are final.

**Photography and filming will take place** during the event and may be used for future EMAP and club promotional purposes, including websites and social media. Attendance at the event constitutes consent unless raised in advance.

Unacceptable behaviour, including swearing, aggression, or disrespect towards officials, competitors, coaches, or spectators, will result in **immediate removal from the venue**. No refunds will be given.

EMAP reserves the right to **refuse entry or remove any individual** at its discretion. EMAP-appointed medical staff may stop a competitor from continuing if this is deemed necessary for safety.

The **running order and timings of categories may change** throughout the day. EMAP cannot guarantee start or finish times for any category.

EMAP accepts **no responsibility for lost or stolen personal belongings**.

By registering, competitors agree that **Elite Martial Arts Professionals (EMAP)** cannot be held liable for any injury, loss, or damage arising from participation in the event.