



## EKUL (England Kabaddi Universities League)

### Tournament Rules 2024-2025

#### Locations:

- London: West London College, 9 Gliddon Rd, London W14 9BL
- Birmingham: Fox Hollies Leisure Centre, Shirley Road, Acocks Green, Birmingham B27 7NS

**Dates:** See schedule below.

**Organisers:** EKUL will be organised by England Kabaddi Union, EKU.

#### Tournament Rules:

1. All EKUL matches will be conducted by EKU certified referees in accordance with the latest EKU Kabaddi rules: [www.Englandkabaddi.com/rules](http://www.Englandkabaddi.com/rules)
2. A weight limit of 85 kg for Mens matches and 75 kg for Womens matches shall apply (hereinafter referred to as Prescribed Weight Limit Men's / Women's respectively). There will be a weigh in on the day of the match taking place. Anyone over the weight limit will not be allowed to participate in the match.
3. All players for a participating university club will need to carry a physical, valid, in date, student ID on the day of the match. In the absence of a valid student ID the player will not be allowed to participate in the match. This decision will be taken by the referee.
4. The tournament will consist of a league stage taking place over 6 gameweeks. The finals will be taking place on the 7th gameweek where the final positions will be determined.
5. During the league stage, for each match, the winning team will be awarded 3 points and the losing team 0 points. If there is a draw - both teams will be awarded 1 point each.
6. In the event of a tie in the league standings, the positions in the league table will be determined by the following parameters (in decreasing order of priority):
  - a. Points difference;
  - b. Total points scored;
  - c. Raid points scored; and
  - d. Head to head results.



7. You must submit your team sheet at least 24 hours prior to the match taking place. Each team will consist of up to 12 players. You must indicate the player name and player number for each player on the team sheet.
  - a. In case the team sheet is not submitted on time, the team may be disqualified from participating in that gameweek at the sole discretion of the EKU.
  - b. You must submit and have at least 6 eligible players available to play at all times during the match.
  - c. If a team is unable to field at least 6 eligible players, said team automatically forfeits the match. However, a Friendly Match may be played - as provided in these Tournament Rules.
8. Each match will last 40 minutes. There will be two halves of 20 minutes. Each team will have 2 timeouts (of 60 seconds each) per half.
9. There will be rolling substitutions, but substitutions can only be made if the captain has indicated to the referee that their team wishes to make a substitution. The referee will then stop play and allow the substitution to be made. Substitutions cannot be made during gameplay.
10. There will be no video referee or video review. The referee's decision is always final.
11. In the event of late arrival or no shows, the team not showing up / showing up late will forfeit the match, and the opponent will automatically win 50-0.
12. Friendly Matches:
  - a. If a team cannot field 6 eligible players under the Prescribed Weight Limit on the day of the match, said team forfeits the match automatically as provided.
  - b. A match (hereinafter referred to as Friendly Match) may be held between the two teams (without league points being affected), as long as:
    - i. All players playing are within **5 kgs** of the Prescribed Weight Limit (hereinafter referred to as Friendly Match Weight Limit);
    - ii. All players playing consent (orally or in writing) to playing against players within the Friendly Match Weight Limit to the referee on the day of the match.
  - c. Teams are encouraged to inform EKU about the possibility of not being able to field enough players under the Prescribed Weight Limit. Team / player consent for the Friendly match, in such a situation, can be obtained

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in writing in advance of the gameweek. This is not mandatory and may take place on the day of the match itself.

- d. No player over the Friendly Match Weight Limit shall be allowed to play in a Friendly Match under any circumstances.
- e. The referee may, at his/her sole discretion (keeping in mind player interests and fairness), decline a Friendly Match or terminate a Friendly Match.

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## **Groups**

The groups for the EKUL are given below.

<b>Women's Group 1</b>	<b>Men's Group 1</b>	<b>Men's Group 2</b>
Manchester	Manchester	LSE
KCL	KCL	Imperial
Cambridge	Cambridge	Warwick
		York

## **Schedule & Dates**

The schedule of the tournament is as given below, this is the final schedule:

Gameweek	Opponent 1	Opponent 2	Location	Date	Time
1	KCL W	Cambridge W	London	26-Oct-2024	12:30
1	KCL M	Cambridge M	London	26-Oct-2024	13:30
2	LSE	Imperial	Birmingham	16-Nov-2024	10:30
2	Warwick	York	Birmingham	16-Nov-2024	11:30
3	Cambridge W	Manchester W	Birmingham	07-Dec-2024	10:30
3	Cambridge M	Manchester M	Birmingham	07-Dec-2024	11:30
4	LSE	Warwick	London	18-Jan-2025	12:30
4	Imperial	York	London	18-Jan-2025	13:30
5	Manchester W	KCL W	Birmingham	08-Feb-2025	10:30
5	Manchester M	KCL M	Birmingham	08-Feb-2025	11:30
6	LSE	York	London	01-Mar-2025	12:30
6	Imperial	Warwick	London	01-Mar-2025	13:30
7	2nd place WG1	3rd place WG2	London	22-Mar-2025	10:30
7	3rd place MG1	3rd place MG2	London	22-Mar-2025	11:30
7	2nd place MG1	2nd place MG2	London	22-Mar-2025	12:30
7	1st place MG1	1st place MG2	London	22-Mar-2025	13:30
7	1st place WG1	Winner of Eliminator	London	22-Mar-2025	14:30

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## **Notes**

1. EKU may reschedule dates & times with reasonable notice.
2. As per the EKU rules:
  - a. Nails must be clipped.
  - b. Kabaddi shoes must be worn.
  - c. No ornaments, jewellery or accessories should be worn.
  - d. The referee will make the final decision on these matters.
3. Neither EKU nor the venue is liable for any injuries or harm caused to any participants during any matches.
4. By participating in the tournament you agree to be photographed and videoed which may or may not include live streaming of the tournament on various social media channels.
5. You agree to be in compliance with all EKU policies that can be found here: [www.englishkabaddi.com/legal](http://www.englishkabaddi.com/legal).
6. In case the tournament gets cancelled or timings get changed, we will inform you at the earliest.