

BUCS

WHAT

BUCS is the governing body for university sport, over 100,000 students regularly compete in BUCS competitions, leagues and events with 4800 teams and over 100 team and individual championships events every year. All the info about BUCS is on their website. Register to get weekly updates and info on your specific sport. Make sure you are familiar with the rules and regulations, but if you are unsure ask Beth (there is a cheat sheet in this tool kit)!

It is expensive! £7710 to affiliate and a further £3425 for team entries! Not to mention individual entries...All entries have to be made by Sport Brighton, please do not contact BUCS directly, always go via the Sport Brighton office.

BUCS Website- www.BUCS.org.uk

Many Institutions put on the website start times and venues of fixtures. However there have been many occasions where these are wrong and have resulted in a team missing a fixture. Please do not rely on the BUCS website for this always go by the confirmation given to you by the Sports Club Co-Ordinator.

WHO

Sports Club Co-Ordinator:

- Provide admin support for all Sports Fed clubs (ie. Fixtures, transport, referees...).
- Communication (with BUCS/Opposition).
- Here to help (facilities, fixtures, general queries)
- Keep track of overall standings.
- Move fixtures as and when needed/possible.

Committees (Captains/Team Leads)

- Look at their fixture or individual event calendar (available on [BUCS](http://www.BUCS.org.uk) or from Beth).
- Communicate with members to check we will have enough participants.
- Communicate with Beth with issues (both on a weekly basis and if you have fixtures during exams ect.)
- Check the 'weekly jobs' page for details of how to run a smooth week.

WHEN

The bulk to BUCS takes place weekly every Wednesday, there are also Individual Entries which get announced through-out the year.

Weekly:

- Fixtures go up on the BUCS website over the Summer, but need to be moved by institutions to fit when we can get facilities and referees. By the beginning of September the dates for

the season should be pretty much in place. At this point it is a great idea for clubs to look ahead and compare the list with term dates and exam weeks (don't forget about your cup run!), then of there are weeks during which a team will struggle, Beth has time to try and move the fixture. The more time she has the better her chances!

- Match paperwork can be found in our pigeon hole or blanks will be at reception. The Sports Club Co-Ordinator will send out confirmations on a Thursday and Monday, make sure you check, understand and relay these to your teams. These are very important as they contain all of your fixture details!
- Normal weekly confirmation will consist of start time, venue, transport arrangements and information on opposition teams such as kit clash and captains contact details.

Individuals:

- Take responsibility, look ahead at the BUCS pages for your sport and get in contact with events you think your club will be interested in.
- Whenever possible Beth will also be in touch around entry openings and deadlines to support.

WHY

BUCS is the largest sporting offer of its kind in Europe and offer our members regular and competitive completion against other universities. League and cup finishing places, as well as individual rankings, get turned into 'BUCS Points'. These BUCS points are then used to rank the university against other universities. See where Brighton are [here](#).

HOW

Weekly BUCS teams get entered in May for the following BUCS season, it's the clubs role to make sure they work alongside the Sports Club Co-Ordinator to get their fixtures played!

Individual entries open throughout the year, make sure you are in contact with Beth about deadlines! You cannot enter yourselves.

All fixtures should be played with a high level of sportsmanship and anyone found disobeying BUCS regulations or University etiquette will be subject to a disciplinary. Ultimately just make some sport happen!

LINKED SECTIONS

BUCS Regs

Weekly Checklist

FAQs