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| Competition framework descriptor | Recommended competition | Level and location | Scheduling | Next steps in competition |
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| <p>Key Stage 2: 7-9 years</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Multi-skill festivals (termly) Off school site Theme based Possible early specialisation in some sports through NGB and club structure | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Racket skills festivals Mini-squash festivals using stations of activity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Between primary school cluster based at large primary or high school Between primary cluster at large primary or high school | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Three times a year | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Individual competitions based on box league principles using mini-squash rebound wall |
| <p>Key Stage 2: 9-11 years</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Multi-sport competition (six-week block rotation) Central venue leagues Coaching and competition based on primary, secondary or club sites | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Multi-racket competition using box leagues – mixed using mini-squash templates Team challenge competition using a mix of skills circuits and 1v1 competitions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> At primary school base with mini-squash wall, secondary school sports hall or club where a link set up | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Autumn term Continuous throughout activity At end of autumn term | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5–8 person, mixed gender team League based on primary cluster |
| <p>Key Stage 3: 11-12 years</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Multi-sport competition (monthly, three sports) E.g. central venue, leagues in a range of sports coaching and competition at secondary, hub or club sites | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Box league competition with coaching session running in tandem Mixed team challenge either multi-racket or single sport at all ability levels graded to suit 5/team – no limit on who plays, e.g. could be 3b +2g or reverse or 4g +1b | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Central club or leisure centre venue Central club venue where all schools in partnership involved, to a maximum of eight schools on a league basis | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Autumn term Continuous throughout activity Possible end of session tournament | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> District knock out involving secondary schools in adjacent partnerships using winners of partnership leagues either in league format (dependant on number of partnerships to a district) or in a knock out form |

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| <p>Key Stage 3 and 4: 12-16 years</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inter-school leagues and cup competitions within SSPs (year group teams) • NGBs would have to have an integrated competitive structure including School Sport Associations accepted as core | <p>Year 8</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mixed box league competition running alongside coaching using Development Player Awards 2. Inter-school mixed competition (partnership schools) four – six teams, mixed teams of five – eight players at all ability levels <p>Year 9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As above <p>Year 10</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mixed box leagues at Year 8 and 9 2. Inter-school league played on traditional rules, mixed teams of five of which two are boys and two are girls <p>Year 11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As above | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Host club/leisure centre • Host club/leisure centre • Host club/leisure centre • Played at participating clubs/leisure centres or schools with courts • Based around a gold charter club in partnership • As above | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spring term Continuous throughout session • Continuous – every two weeks for six – ten weeks in spring term • As above • As above | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Winners of each tournament to play in a CSP based tournament using Schools' National Framework with material to support • U15 age group to enter national schools competition • Inter-partnership competition, with possible lead to a county level tournament, leading to national schools championships • As above |
| <p>16-19 years</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Not</u> for talented already identified as part of NGB talent programmes • 'Junior Varsity' to give this group an identity • Intra-mural competition within the learning community, e.g. schools, PE, sixth forms • Organised sport in core sports that match the secondary programmes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subject to on-going discussion | | | |

- E.g. single venue festivals for a number of institutions during ring fenced time (Wednesday pm)

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