

ATHLETE HANDBOOK



# **GETTING THERE**





August 25-29th, 2025



London, United Kingdom



**SportsDock**, University of East London

The city of **London**, capital of Great Britain, offers a wide range of options for visitors to get there

- By plane: London offers up to 6
  different airports (Heathrow,
  Gatwick, Stanstead, Luton, London
  City and Southend) depending on the
  origin of the visitor
- By train: Eurostar trains coming from Europe stop at St Pancras Station
- By bus: the Victoria Coach Station offers international services

As per the latest legal changes in the United Kingdom, all visitors will need either a visa or an Electronic Travel Authorisation (ETA).

Check out **page 7** of this Handbook for more details!



# ABOUT THE CITY



London, located in southeastern England, is one of the biggest, most celebrated cities in the world. Starting as a Roman settlement, London has grown throughout the ages into a bustling, modern metropolis. Iconic landmarks of the city include the historic Tower of London, the Big Ben and the towering Shard. Food lovers can enjoy a diverse culinary scene; cultural activities thrive, with world-class museums, theaters, and galleries across the city.





### Tower of London

A symbol of history and power, captivating with its ancient walls.





# Big Ben

An iconic timekeeper, steeped in history and recognised worldwide





## The Shard

A sleek glass tower that dominates London's skyline and offers stunning views



# THE VENUE





Located on the University of East London's Docklands campus, the SportsDock arena stands as one of the British capital's premier indoor sports venues. With top-tier facilities including two spacious sports arenas, modern fitness suites, and dedicated spaces for athletes and spectators alike, it offers a professional yet accessible environment - perfect for the Super Ball World Open!



**SportsDock** 



Supermarket



Bus



DLR trains



# ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS





### Ibis London ExCel Docklands

Royal Victoria Dock, 9 Western Gateway London E16 1AB

# 4km away from the venue

#### About this hotel

- Free wi-fi
- Complimentary breakfast
- Air conditioner
- Laundry service
- 300m away from the train station





### Novotel London ExCel

Royal Victoria Dock, 7 Western Gateway London E16 1AB

# 3.9km away from the venue

### About this hotel

- Free wi-fi
- Complimentary breakfast
- Air conditioner
- Fitness centre
- 300m away from the train station





### Holiday Inn Express London ExCel

1018 Dockside Rd E16 2FQ London

## 2.1km away from the venue

### About this hotel

- Free wi-fi
- Complimentary breakfast
- Air conditioner
- Laundry service
- 100m away from the train station





### Good Hotel London

Royal Victoria Dock, Western Gateway E16 1FA London

## 4.2km away from the venue

### About this hotel

- Free wi-fi
- Complimentary breakfast
- Air conditioner
- Laundry service
- 500m away from the train station



# **ELECTRONIC TRAVEL AUTHORISATION**



Since November 2023, travellers to the UK who do not hold a British or Irish passport may need to obtain an **Electronic Travel Authorisation** (ETA) before entry.

This applies to visitors from countries that do not require a visa for short stays - including all countries in the European Union!

The ETA is available only through the official UK Government website or App, and the fee is £16 (approximately 18.5€).

Applicants should beware of unofficial websites and intermediaries charging inflated fees for the same service!

# **BEWARE OF SCAMS!**

Visit only the official channels of the **British Government** to request your ETA. Click on the link below to visit the corresponding section on the <u>Gov.uk</u> website and download the **ETA App!** 

https://www.gov.uk/eta/apply

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# TRANSPORT OPTIONS



#### TRAINS

- London offers an extensive underground network (known there as Tube), surface urban trains (or DLR), and other rail lines
- SportsDock is in Zone 3, just a short walk from Cyprus station on the DLR Beckton branch
- With contactless or Oyster, a single trip from central London starts at £2.80



## **TAXIS**

- Taxis are widely available across London; you can hail a black cab on the street or find one at official taxi ranks near stations and landmarks
- Ride-hailing apps like Uber, Bolt and Free Now offer convenient alternatives, with upfront pricing, card payments and options for shared or premium rides



### **BUSES**

- London's iconic red buses run day and night, offering full city coverage and frequent service
- All buses are cashless: tap in with an Oyster or contactless card for a flat £1.75 fare, with unlimited transfers within one hour



### **OTHER OPTIONS**

- Renting a car at one of London's airports is totally possible, with plenty of different services such as **Enterprise**, **Hertz**, **Avis**, **Sixt** and many others
- However, once in the city, parking may be difficult and expensive, and many zones are subject to congestion charges: using public transport is highly recommended



# JUDGES



ADRIAN **'FRANEK'** FRANC



ILYES MEDALLEL



MICHAL **'MICHRYC'** RYCAJ



TOMMASO DAIGORO



CONOR REYNOLDS



BÁLINT **'VALENTINO'** TARCSI



PHILIP 'PWG' WARREN-GERTSSON



**ROCCO** KARÁSZI



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OF THE SPORT OF FREESTYLE FOOTBALL

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# SOCIAL MEDIA

Tompetition name: Super Ball World Open 2025

🧓 Venue: SportsDock London

Website: www.worldfreestylefootball.org/event/superball2025

Remember to add the tags and hashtags listed below to all your social posts and Stories!



# **TAGS**

@thewffa @superballlive



# **HASHTAGS**

#fslife
#superball
#FreestyleFootball
#AllYouNeedIsABall



# **USEFUL RESOURCES**

#### **WFFA**



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### **SERVICES**



#### Police & Ambulance

Emergency number



#### **Tourism Board**

Visit London

www.visitlondon.com



#### Venue

SportsDock - University of East London +44 (0)20 8223 6888



# **TOURNIFY**

During this event, the WFFA will be using **Tournify** to centralise all schedules and results. The basic details will be online on **August 26th at 10h CEST**, once the check-in is done.

www.tournify.uk/live/superball2025

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