

Club Guide – How to run an EDex Event 2022/23

All the information that your club requires to run a successful EDex event in 2022/23.

Purpose

The EDex programme provides students with the opportunity to experience a range of sports, on a commitment free basis. From a club's point-of view, these events allow you to target a particular demographic, show off your club to potential members, and drive up membership numbers throughout the year, at absolutely no cost to the club.

- 1. What? First up, what type of event are you looking to run? EDex events come in various formats:
 - Taster: A one-off session open to all, and to encourage beginners to take part in
 - SportsFest: A one-off (usually lasting a day or less) tournament targeted at nonclub members.
 - LearnToPlay: This tends to be a specific offering for complete beginner to come in, take up your sport, and build up some experience over a set period of time (i.e. a 4 week block of coaching).
 - Stressbuster: usually held around exam time these are one-off sessions to give people an opportunity to de-stress and take part in some fun sport.
- 2. When? Look for dates that would be suitable for the club. You may decide to run an EDex session as part of a regular training session, or at another time.
- **3. Contact** E-mail Neil Rankin (neil.rankin@ed.ac.uk) with the following information:
 - Event type
 - Potential dates & times
 - Capacity of session
 - All costs involved with session
 - Key contact

4. Support Neil will often set-up a meeting with the club to offer support throughout the whole process. This will involve event set-up, finances, ticketing and advice on promotion. The club and members should get involved in promoting your event - ask your members to publicise on social media, they will have far greater reach that just the club account.

> Lauren Benseman, EUSU's CVA Intern, is always on-hand to support clubs with EDex sessions and happy to help advise clubs on various aspects of the programme. Lauren can be reached via eusu.cva@ed.ac.uk, or in the Sports Union office (48 Pleasance, EH8 9TJ) from 9am – 4pm on Monday, during the first semester.

5. Preparation

Ensure that you arrive before the participants, have downloaded a list of sign-ups (if required), and are ready to be as enthusiastic as possible when welcoming participants.

6. Follow-up

If there are costs involved in the session, the club should pay all these in advance. The Sports Union will then reimburse all agreed costs - receipts / proof of purchase should be provided.