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EYE PROTECTION FOR SQUASH PLAYERS

Wales Squash & Racketball recognises that with the majority of sports there is the possibility of injury to a greater or lesser degree, subject to the nature of the sport.

The Rules of Squash are framed to assist in reducing the possibility of injury, but regrettably they do occur, of which the majority are of a minor category, bruises, sprains, etc. Of a more serious nature are torn ligaments, broken limbs and in particular, injury to the eyes. To assist in preventing the latter injury, WSRB considers it important that eye protectors that have been tested by National Standards Authorities are available to players of all ages who might wish to use them.

To meet this requirement WSRB, together with ophthalmic specialists, doctors, optical agencies and the British Standards Institution, undertook a considerable workload over a number of years to formulate the "British Standard for Eye Protectors for Racket Sports – BS7930.1 Squash. This Standard was published in 1998 and since that date, numerous manufacturers have submitted their eye protectors for testing.

Details of the eye protectors that have met the British Standard are shown on the following pages and new products are added when we are advised accordingly. WSRB maintain an updated list which is available on request.

A list of other eye protectors supplied from the USA, Canada and Australia/New Zealand which hold the National Standard of their respective countries can be obtained from the World Squash Federation at www.worldsquash.org.

Players are reminded that it is their responsibility to ensure that their eye protector has a recognised Standard – it is for your own safety.

The appropriate Standards for Eye Protection for Squash are listed below:

GB	-	BS7930:1	Canada	-	CSA P400
USA	-	ASTM F803	Aust/NZ	-	AS/NZS 4066

Should you have a query regarding an eye protector for squash or a Standard Number, please contact WSRB who will check the details for you.

Please be aware that a number of products advertised as eye protectors for squash and referencing a Standard totally unrelated to squash, are being offered for sale in the UK. These particular products are not proven suitable for squash.

The wearing of eye protectors for Doubles is mandatory, ref. Doubles Rules Appendix 10, effective 10.10.97.

Eye protection is also mandatory for specified events for junior players (i.e. up to U /19 level), please see attached list.

WSRB recommends the use of eye protection especially for beginners.

LIST OF EYE PROTECTORS CERTIFIED FOR SQUASH

All the eye protectors listed below, have been verified as tested for Squash from the relevant Report issued by the National Standards Authority or Authorised Notified Laboratory and forwarded to WSRB by the manufacturer/supplier.

<u>Brand</u>	<u>Model Name/Number</u>	<u>Specification</u>
Black Knight	Turbo	BS7930.1
	Turbo Junior	BS7930.1

UK: Ashaway tel: 01707 321397 fax: 01707 375719
email: sales@ashaway.co.uk

Dunlop	Squash Eyewear	BS7930.1
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UK: for individuals, clubs - Kingswood Leisure Services
tel: 01702 718940 fax: 01702 479559
email: sales@kingswoodleisure.co.uk

UK: for trade - Reydon Sports plc tel: 01159 002340 fax: 01159 002343
email: sales@reydonsport.com

Halo	HS-0200	BS7930.1
	HS-2800	BS7930.1
	HS-3500	BS7930.1
	HS-4500	BS7930.1
	HS-5500	BS7930.1

UK: Apollo Leisure tel: 01202 812000 fax: 01202 398329
email: sales@apolloleisure.co.uk

Hilco (Leader)	Falcon	BS7930.1
	Essex	BS7930.1

UK: Apollo Leisure - for plano lenses. tel: 01202 812000 fax: 01202 398329
email: sales@apolloleisure.co.uk

	Zoom	BS7930.1
	Sniper	BS7930.1

UK: Inland UK - for prescription lenses tel: 0208 863 9248 fax: 0208 424 0996
email: sales@inland.co.uk

Karakal UK	Pro 3000(R43)	BS7930.1
	Pro 2500 (9903Jnr)	BS7930.1

UK: Karakal UK tel: 0117 986 9057 fax: 0117 982 9004
email: sales@karakal.com

Prince	Rage (9903V)	BS7930.1
	Rage Junior (9903JR)	BS7930.1
	Prolite (RB10C)	BS7930.1
	Attitude (Pro2)	BS7930.1

UK: Solo Sports UK Ltd tel: 01539 622322 fax: 01539 622329
email: luke@solosport.co.uk

Squash Design	SDX	BS7930.1
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UK: T I B Trading tel: 02891 456582 fax: 02891 456620
email: TIBTrading@aol.co

Titan Sports Ltd	Titan Senior (9903V)	BS7930.1
	Titan Junior (9903V/Junior)	BS7930.1
	Titan Raven (R43)	BS7930.1

UK: Titan Sports Ltd tel: 01324 717631 fax: 0870 0940535
email: sales@titansport.co.uk

Unsquashable	Protective Eye Glasses	BS7930.1
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UK: Ransome Sporting Goods tel: 01642 224444 fax: 01642 226000
email: lh@rsgsport.com

Wilson	Jet	BS7930.1
	Omni	BS7930.1

UK: Amer Sports UK tel: 01294 316206 fax: 01294 316300
email: customer.service.internet@amersports.net

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Companies providing prescription lenses for protective eyewear for squash are indicated above, plus the following:

Norville Optical Co Ltd Help Line tel: 01452 528686
web: www.norville.co.uk

WSRB RULES ON WEARING EYE PROTECTION AT JUNIOR EVENTS

From 1st September 2000, the wearing eye protection, which have complies with one of the National Standards for Squash, is **MANDATORY** for all those taking part in the following JUNIOR events:-

1. Events run by WSRB under the auspices of the World Squash Federation (WSF) and the European Squash Federation (ESF).
2. Events sanctioned by WSRB, i.e. those tournaments paying a sanction fee to WSRB.
3. Events run and managed by WSRB, i.e. the Welsh Junior Open/Closed, British Junior Closed/Open, National Championships and National Schools Competition.
4. Grand Prix events.
5. All National Squads.
6. All Regional Squads.
7. All County Tournaments open to players from other counties.
8. All County Squads
9. The Inter County Championships.
10. All County Closed Tournaments.
11. All Junior Graded Tournaments
12. All Domestic League matches.

From October 1997, it has been a RULE of the game of DOUBLES that eye protection MUST be worn on court whilst the game is taking place. WSRB RECOMMENDS that if you are playing doubles and neither your partner nor opponents are wearing 'suitable eye protection', then YOU SHOULD NOT PLAY.