British Elimination Scrabble Tournament (BEST) 2027

Format:
Players will be placed in regional groups and will play 5 games against each member of their group. The top two in each group will then progress to knockout stages of increasing numbers of matches, with the final being best of 17.
All matches shall be played to the most current WESPA rules active at the time of the fixture with 5 point per word challenge.

Schedule:
Jan-Apr: Group Fixtures – up to 3 x 5 games
May-June: 2nd round fixtures – Best of 9
Jul-Aug: 3rd Round fixtures – Best of 11
Sep-Oct: Quarter-finals – Best of 13
Nov: Semi-finals – Best of 15
Dec: Streamed Final – Best of 17

Expected Regional Structure:
A Island of Ireland
B Scotland
C Northeast England and Yorkshire
D Northwest England and North Wales.
E West and East Midlands
F Southwest England and South Wales
G London, the South and South East
H Home Counties and East Anglia

Prizes
Prizes for the all group winners, the overall winner, runner-up and semi-finalists. There will also be at least one prize for the greatest ratings upset within a single game. Prizes will be determined by your highest finishing position (i.e. if someone wins a group and reaches the semi-finals, they will win a semi-finalists prize.

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To enter please provide:
Name, contact email, contact phone number, postcode*region/s you would like to be placed in.
*These will be kept confidentially by the ABSP and used to determine the final group structure.

Payments
Entry cost of £30 to be paid either:
• By bank transfer to: ASSN of British Scrabble players, Sort Code, 777625 Account no. 75279668
• by cheque to: Mr. Ross Mackenzie: 39c, Dumbarton Road, Stirling, FK8 2QJ
Deadline for payments is Monday December 21st 2026.

Disclaimer:
The organiser reserves the right to refuse entry, to adjust the group sizes or geographical distributions and to alter the overall tournament rules as outlined above, however utmost effort will be taken to ensure players are placed within one of the region/s they have indicated on their entry form.