

## **SUSSEX COUNTY POOL ASSOCIATION**

**THESE RULES ARE TO BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ENCLOSED INTERLEAGUE RULES ISSUED AT NATIONAL LEVEL WHICH ARE ENCLOSED.**

### **INTER-LEAGUE RULES 2007**

1. World Rules apply in all matches.
2. Teams to be 9 a side
3. Players once registered for an Inter-League team are not allowed to transfer to another Inter-League team for that year regardless of whether they have played any frames or not. They are deemed as registered for the team they initially registered for in 2007.
4. New players can be accepted providing that the Inter-League Secretary receives all relevant registration form(s) for that/those players within 7 days of a match they are registered in playing. Failure to do so will result in that/those player(s) forfeiting all frames they have played and these frames awarded to their opponents.
5. Matches will consist 3 sessions of 9 frames – 27 frame matches in total.
6. Team Captains will and are responsible for the behaviour and conduct for the players and supporters of their teams.
7. Teams must be at the venue by 7.00pm with matches scheduled to commence at 7.15pm latest. Captains will determine frame break off by the spin of a coin at the start of the match and this will then work with alternate breaks thereafter e.g A team will either have odd frame break offs or even.
8. Team Captains will select 9 players to play in the first session; they can then change 2 players for the second session. They can again change 2 players for the third session however once a player is substituted they cannot return to play again in that match.
9. A minimum of 7 players must be present to start the match. Any team turning up with less than 7 players will be deemed to have lost the match by an average percentage calculated by the Inter-League Secretary.
10. Any team playing with less than 9 players the following rules apply. If a home team has only 8 players, player 9 games are walkovers. If the away team has only 8 players than player 9 games are walkovers. If the home team has only 7 players than players 5 and 9 are walkover games. If the away team has only 7 players than player 2 and 3 are walkover games.
11. Team Captains must agree prior to the match with regards to Referees and timekeeping. All Inter-League/County Semi-Finals and Finals must be supervised by a referee and timekeeper.
12. Matches are to be played at venues with 2 tables the same size. Team Captains are responsible for ensuring that the tables are in a satisfactory playing condition e.g clean and level.

- 13.** Teams failing to appear for matches will be deemed to have forfeited that match and this will result in them losing their £50 bond. If a team fails to appear on a second occasion they will be deemed to have withdrawn from the league. All previous results may then be declared void and their record expunged. The Inter-League Secretary and appointed sub-committee will determine any further action to be taken which could be no entry to the following years competition. The match score will be determined on a seasonal (mean) average for those teams with 5 points for the win awarded to the team present.
- 14.** Teams will receive 1 point for each frame won plus 5 points bonus for a win.
- 15.** All players must be registered in the league they represent having played a minimum of 50% of their teams local league fixtures (proof will be required if they qualify for National Inter-League finals). In addition they will have been required to play in (or as a signed reserve) a minimum of 50% of the County Inter-League fixtures that season to qualify to play in the finals. If this criteria is not met by a player then dispensation may be given by the National Inter-League Tournament Director/EPA National Secretary on request. Any player found not to have met the 50% rule or have been granted dispensation will not be allowed to play in the finals.
- 16.** All fixtures must be played on the dates published. Postponements can only be agreed with the Inter-League Secretary and the consent of both Captains in exceptional circumstances. A period of 48 hours notice is required as a minimum. The Inter-League Secretary's decision is final in these matters.
- 17.** In the event of a dispute, this must be placed in writing detailing the full circumstances and sent to the Inter-League Secretary. The Inter-League Secretary and the appointed sub-committee will investigate and advise of a decision. The decision of the committee is final.
- 18.** Match results sheets are to be fully completed and must be received by the Inter-League Secretary within 7 days of the match played date. Failure to do so will result in a penalty of 5 points being deducted from that team.
- 19.** In the event of a one group format then the top two teams will be deemed as eligible to attend National Finals, subject to the county being successful in securing this amount of places. In the event of a two group format then it will be the top team in each group eligible, again subject to 2 places being secured. The county will bid for 4 places as a minimum however there is no guarantee we will secure this amount.