

# SCUNTHORPE & DISTRICT SNOOKER LEAGUE RULES.

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## 1.) **Annual General Meeting.**

- 1.1) The Annual General Meeting will be held on the Third Friday in July at the Scunthorpe Conservative Club commencing at 7.30 p.m.
- 1.2) The AGM agenda will be sent to each team 2/3 weeks before the AGM including final tables, winners of trophies and the date of the AGM.
- 1.3) A list of Clubs addresses and telephone numbers will be sent to each team for the forthcoming season.
- 1.4) Committee meetings to be held on the last Friday in each month at the Scunthorpe Conservative Club starting at 7.30 p.m. General meeting to commence at 8.00 pm.
- 1.5) Non appearance of committeemen for 3 meetings in one season (apologies accepted) will mean elimination from the committee.
- 1.6) As of the 1999/2000 season there will be a weekly fee paid to the fixture secretary and the minute's secretary, the amount to be £30 & £ 12 respectively. An appointed person will be nominated to ensure that £25 is collected from each team prior to the start of the season.

## 2.) **Registration**

- 2.1) Registration night for the forthcoming season will be integrated into the AGM proceedings. New teams to be entered in writing to the fixture secretary by the 1st Friday of July complete with a list of intended player's names. The committee will consider each application with the final decision of acceptance being made at the relevant AGM.
- 2.2) New teams league positions to be determined by the League Committee.
- 2.1) Each team must supply a contact name and telephone number to assist in the arrangement of knockout matches (Club telephone not suitable). Telephone number to be confirmed on registration night.

## 3.) **League matches**

- 3.1.) Each team to choose a fixed night for all home league games to be played during the coming season, Saturdays and Sundays excluded. Teams not complying with the chosen nights will be automatically deducted 2 penalty points on each occasion this offence is committed.

3.2) Players should be available to play their respective frames at a 'reasonable' time. Serious contravention to this could result in points being deducted by the committee at their discretion. The definition of 'reasonable' being that there should be no longer than a 20 min delay between consecutive frames. (Applicable also to the Premier League)

3.3) No player will be allowed to play for more than one team during the course of the season, except in the event of a team resigning from the league, when transfers will be allowed in the first half of the season. Request for transfers must be made in writing to the Secretary and confirmation must be obtained before the transfer becomes valid.

Penalty - A point will be deducted for each occasion a player is found to be playing for another team during the same season unless previously written permission is granted for transfer.

3.4.) Players above the age of 14 years old to be allowed to play league matches at any venue where the host club allows. Team captains to confirm with clubs that this is permissible prior to attending matches.

3.5.) All clubs with players less than 18 yrs old to inform the Fixture Secretary prior to the start of the season.

3.6.) Any team playing under age players or non members of the club will automatically be deducted one point for each non member playing a frame, plus lose a penalty point for each frame this occurs.

3.7.) Failure to field a full side in league matches will lead to points being deducted on a sliding scale, 1 pt for the first offence, 2 pts and so on.

3.8.) Teams to be disqualified for failing to fulfil fixtures on 3 occasions over 2 seasons, captains of such teams will be informed after the second occasion.

3.9.) If a team resigns from the league but have completed their first half fixtures, all points won and lost against that team will be left standing. Points played for after the half way mark will be adjusted from the league accordingly.

3.10.) All disputes should be in writing and a representative from both teams concerned should attend the next meeting, any non appearances by either party will be constructed as acceptance of the committee's decision, which will be final.

3.11.) It is requested that all clubs endeavour to play games using super crystallite balls.

3.12.) Each captain will record his order of play and marriage of these selections must be strictly adhered to.

3.13) Final score of each frame to be recorded on the result sheet provided by the home team captain and both captains must sign the sheet before sending to the fixture secretary within 7 days of the match,

Penalty

Late result sheets shall result in the home team being deducted an extra point for each occasion this occurs. E.g. 1 point for the first offence, 2 points for the second, and so on. If the result is not returned within 5 weeks a further point will be deducted and an additional point for each month thereafter.

**AMMENDMENT, Results must be supplied on the Result Sheets which are supplied at the start of the season. Failure to comply will result in a one-point deduction per rule infringement. (AGM 2003)**

3.14) All result sheets must carry the following information: Christian and Surnames of all players competing, the date that the match was played. After the first month of the season, points will be deducted for any teams not fulfilling these requirements.

3.15) Falsification of result sheets in whatever form will result in point's deductions at the committee's discretion. (Applicable also to the Premier League)

3.16) In the event of a game not being played, 4 points will be awarded to the non-offending team. 2 points will deducted from the team not appearing for the match, and a further 2 points to be deducted if no notice is given to the captain of the team available to play by 7.00 pm. on the night of the match.

3.17) All disputes / decisions regarding committee approval must be heard at the next committee meeting following request.

3.18) Teams receiving point's deductions will be listed in the Evening Telegraph each month after the appropriate committee meeting.

3.19) Teams that play from a Club that close down will be allowed to maintain their current league position providing that 4 players from the original team are registered to play from the new venue.

3.20) Teams to be allowed to change venues provided that the club is in agreement and only after they have the committee's approval. The existing team must then pay all entry fees.

3.21) Ladies to be allowed to play in the league at clubs, which allow them to play.

3.22) Teams not wishing to play in the premier division after being promoted will be stripped of their title and their position in that division they will also be suspended from the league for one season. The committee will have the final say about future participation. Teams below them will be invited to take their place in the premier league.

3.23) If any team amasses a total of 10 points through deductions for whatever reason during the season, their team captain will be required to attend the next meeting to explain the reason for the defaults. If the team continues to offend after this they may be liable to expulsion from the league. (Applicable also to the Premier League)

Promotion & relegation matches.

3.24) A 5th player to be nominated before the start of the match (he will play in the event of a 2-2 or 4-4 draw) he can be one of the original four players, but all players must have played for that team during the preceding season. Play off games will be held at a neutral venue.

3.25.) Excluding Premier league the last player must be in the club by 10. 15pm. or the other team can claim the frame.

3.26.) Existing teams to receive amendments to rules only prior to the season starting. A full set of rules will only be issued to new teams, but may be available on request.

3.27.) Starting 1995-96 season all players taking part in snooker/billiards finals are expected to wear clothes that befit the occasion, (no jeans, tee shirts or trainers will be allowed.)

3.28.) All new WPBSA rules to apply in all matches played from the start of the new season. See Miss rule section 'Premier league' only.

3.29.) Teams dropping out of the league after registration to take one of the relegation places.

3.30.) Two teams will be promoted and relegated from each division starting from the 99/2000 season.

3.31) If necessary the committee may have to promote more than two teams in order to keep the leagues stable.

3.32) The 'Home' side captain will present the 'Away' side captain with his order of play.

#### 4.) Premier League Only

##### AMMENDMENT

**At the 2001 AGM a vote was carried 21-20 for the Premier Division to return to playing four frames only. Consequently Rule 4.1 & 4.2 have been rendered invalid.**

~~4.1) Each match to be played over 8 frames starting at 7.30 p. m. Any teams commencing games after 11.00 pm. or playing games on more than one table, will lose all points won the night in question 4 players will play 2 frames each. Each frame won will count 1 point. The same format will apply. E.g. Player 1 v Player 1 (2 frames) – Player 2 v Player 2 (2 frames)~~

~~4.2.) Any teams not turning up by 7.50 pm. will loose the first frame and will forfeit further frames for each 20 minutes they are late.~~

4.1) The 'Miss Rule' will apply in the Premier League. A Premier division vote was taken to scrap this rule until the next AGM - **AMMENDMENT MISS RULE DOES NOT APPLY 2001 AGM**

4.2) **Miss Rule will only apply to Major KO matches where there is a Neutral Referee. (AGM 2003)**

#### 5.) K/O Competitions

5A.) All entries for the various knockout competitions to be in the fixture secretaries hands by the date set and distributed at the AGM.

52) All K/O matches must be played from either the home or away players nominated club. The home player(s) has (have) the choice of venue and must make contact offering 3 dates which are not in the same week. If the matches are not completed by the closing date the onus is on the players concerned to attend the next draw meeting. Non appearance at that meeting will mean all parties will be eliminated, unless the fixture secretary receives a letter 3 days prior to the meeting.

5.1) 24 hours notice is required for cancellations of singles, doubles and greaves cup knockout competitions by the person/ team responsible.

5.4) If a player wishes to claim any K/O match he/she must submit in writing details of his efforts to contact his/her opponent. This must be backed up if possible by an appearance at the next meeting, failure to inform the fixture secretary in writing will remove any players claim to have the match awarded in his/her favour. This letter needs to be in the fixture secretary's hand the day before the draw meeting.

5.5) Quarterfinals & Semi Finals of singles and doubles matches will be the best of 5 frames. The Final will be the best of 7 frames.

5.6) If there is representation to the committee, a substitute partner will be allowed in the Doubles K/O prior to the last 16.

5.7) Referees will be provided with Presentation night tickets for Officiating at the K/Out final stages.

5.8) Dependant on the number of entries, the top 8 or 16 players will be seeded for the Stuart Colley Memorial Handicap Singles.

5.9) New senior K/O to take place for the over 50's beginning with the 1999/2000 season.

5.10) Dates and venues for semi-finals and finals will be arranged by the committee and will be strictly adhered to.

**5.11) Handicap ceiling is set at +30 (AGM 2003)**

## **6) Greaves Cup**

6.1) Players who are not on the greaves, cup register will be allowed to play in the competition prior to the Q/F stage providing that they have not played for another team in the competition that season. But they will have to take the lowest H/Cap set for the competition.

6.2) Greaves cup team players to be Handicapped individually with each teams H/Cap to be decided by which 4 players play in each match. Matches to be played on a home and away basis.

6.3) Competition based upon aggregate scores over 8 frames and re-spotting of the black ball only occurs should the scores be level at the end of the 8th frame.

6.4) Prior to each LEG, the home captain puts his order on the sheet first, followed by the away captain (without seeing the home order) putting his order on the same sheet.

6.5) Greaves cup Handicapping is subject to review by the committee after each round.

**6.6) Greaves cup result sheets from home and away fixtures must be sent to the fixture secretary, failure to do so could lead to disqualification from the competition. [ [Back to top](#) ]**

**AMMENDMENT to Rule 6.6) Failure to comply with this rule will result in the winning teams forfeiting 5 Handicap points per team member, It is the responsibility of the successful captain to ensure this rule is complied with.(AGM 2003)**

## **7) Trophies**

7.1) All Trophies won the previous season must be returned to the Clubs Association by the 31st March in a clean and presentable condition, any damage to the same is the responsibility of the holder.

7.2) Players or teams who do not return trophies by 31st March of year of presentation will be excluded from the following years competition.