

# 2018 PENNANT SEASON RULES

**A Grade Billiards:** Teams shall consist of four (4) players each contesting a game of 90 minutes duration. A team may compete with three (3) players however thereby forfeiting the fourth position player to the other team

## **B Grade:**

Billiards- 2 players contesting one game of 90 minutes of billiards and 2 players contesting 3 frames of snooker.

A team may compete with three (3) players, however they will forfeit the lower ranked snooker game and those 3 frames.

## **C Grade:**

Billiards- 2 players contesting 3 x 30 minute frames of billiards and 2 players contesting best of 3 frames of snooker.

A team may compete with three (3) players, however they will forfeit the lower ranked snooker game and those 2 frames.

- 1) Should a match be drawn, the Game Points will be 1 point to each team.
- 2) To be eligible for finals, a player must play 1/4 of the season for that team, with the number being rounded up to the next whole number if not a whole number.

## **Billiards Barrier and Bonus Points**

**A Grade:** 300

**B Grade:** 250

**C Grade:** No Barrier

One bonus point will be awarded should a player beat an opponent by 100 points or more and if the aggregate score of the two players is twice the grade barrier points plus 100 points.

There is no longer two or more bonus points available.

## **Snooker:**

One point will be awarded for each frame won

## **Dress Requirements**

- 1) The minimum standard of dress required for InterClub Competition round play is a collared shirt, dress trousers with long socks and enclosed shoes. Jeans, joggers or runners are not acceptable. However should a host club have a dress minimum of higher standard then it shall be the minimum on that occasion.
- 2) For Finals:

Each team can wear their club shirts, but all team members must be wearing the same club shirt.

Otherwise the dress requirements are: dress trousers and a long-sleeved shirt, both of conservative colours. A long or bow tie must be worn and the collar not noticeably unbuttoned; sleeves shall remain buttoned to the wrist.

## **Commencement Time**

Matches are scheduled to commence at 7:00pm (1900hrs) but can commence earlier by mutual consent.

A team which fails to have three (3) players in attendance at the venue and available to play and referee by 7:15pm (1915hrs) is liable to forfeit the match if claimed by the non-offending team.

Furthermore, a team's fourth player should be in attendance no later than 8:00pm (2000hrs) or is liable to forfeit that game if claimed by the non-offending team. If the offending Team is not in attendance and no previous arrangements have been made to postpone the match, the non-offending Team shall be awarded the match in accordance with the Rule 'Forfeits' Section 2.

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## Order of Play

Games are to be played in reverse order.

## A Grade Billiards:

During "round matches" the No 3 & No 1 players will play on a designated table and the No 4 & No 2 players on a different designated table.

Should a player who is due to play first be unable to be in attendance for the scheduled commencement or alternatively if a player who is due to play later needs to leave early, then that game may be re-scheduled with the approval of the other team captain.

## Order of Players

- 1) During the home and away season, Team Captains may place their players in any order other than having their highest Elo rated player playing in position four (4), nor have the lowest Elo rated player playing in position one (1).
- 2) During Finals- Closed Order of play will be used, with teams being able to swap 1 position up or down.

## Combined Billiards and Snooker B and C Grade:

Both games of billiards will be played on one table and both games of snooker will be played on the other table

## Refereeing

Refereeing during normal round matches is the responsibility of both teams and must be share equally.

Referees for finals matches will normally be provided by the QBSA.  
However circumstances may arise such that players from either or both teams may be called upon to assist.

## Filling Out the Results Card

The two (2) captains should fill out one card prior to the match.

Players' full names shall be clearly printed in their respective positions.

In addition each player's seeding position should be shown adjacent to the name to confirm to the Registrar.  
As frames/games are completed, the scores will be placed on the scorecard.

In addition any notable high breaks by any player can also be listed.  
Both scores and high breaks must at the end of the night be witnessed and verified by both team captains.

As a guide the minimum high breaks accepted by the QBSA are:-

A Grade 50  
B Grade 40  
C Grade 30

Any high breaks made during an incomplete frame/game shall stand.

## Forwarding Results

Team captains should email the scoresheet to the registrar within 48 hours after the completion of the match.

Match results not received by the Registrar within forty eight hours (48 hrs) of the match conclusion maybe liable to forfeiture by defaulting team.

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## Uncompleted Matches

Should a match not be completed due to insufficient time pertaining to an Affiliation's closing time, all ladder points shall stand prior to the expiration of time. Incomplete frames of snooker or games in billiards will not count towards the points earned.

## Interrupted Matches

Should a match not be complete due to unforeseen circumstances arising out of the boundaries of control of either teams playing then incomplete frame/games will be abandoned and the completed frames/games will stand and incomplete frame/game will be replayed.

The teams will notify the QBSA through the Registrar and the match will be completed at a date and time agreed to by the teams. If such an agreement cannot be reached the QBSA shall fix the date and time.

## Forfeits

If a team fails to play a scheduled match during the regular season, for what ever reason (the offending Team Captain should inform the non offending Team Captain prior to the scheduled date commencing time (preferably 24 hours).

The non-offending Team shall have two (2) choices:

1. The QBSA preferred choice is that the match should be rescheduled as early as possible and played at a mutually agreed time & place.
2. If a reschedule can not be organised, then the match will be declared a forfeit and the result will be 2 match points to the non forfeiting team and 8 game points to the non forfeiting team. The forfeiting team will receiving no points at all.

## Withdrawals

Should a Team withdraw **during a round**, if the withdrawal occurred before 50% of that teams matches were played in that round, then those results will be declared null and void and no points recorded 'for' or 'against' in the ladder for the entire rest of the competition.

If the withdrawal occurred after 50% of that team's matches were played, then the previous results will stand and the remaining matches will be scored as two match points to the non-offending team and 8-0 in game points to the non-offending team.

Individual results will stand for the purpose of calculation of seeding positions of individual players. Fees will be charged for completed matches only.

## Finals Ranking:

- 1) **Ladder Points:** Matches won plus matches drawn. Each teams receive 2 points for a win, 1 point for a draw and 0 points for a loss. If Ladder Points at the completion of the season are equal, then-
- 2) **Points Differential:** Points won minus Points lost across the whole season. This includes frames won, games won, games drawn, barrier points and bonus points.
- 3) **Games Points For:** The number of individual games won by team players throughout the season will be used to determine ladder standing. This total is inclusive of frames won in snooker plus points scored in billiards.
- 4) **Results between the tied teams:** a) Matches won against each other. If this is still tied. Matches won can be tied, regardless of the number of matches if say there are three rounds and it is one win each and one draw. Then we move to criteria b) Points differential across each of the matches played between the tied teams.

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## Finals:

- 1) At the start of the season, the format for the finals will be announced.
- 2) Play for each night will start at 7pm
- 3) In A Grade Billiards- Closed Order of play will be used, with teams being able to swap 1 position up or down.
- 4) In Combined Billiards and Snooker, B and C Grade, The snooker player placed in the number 2 position will start first on one table and the billiard player placed in the number 2 position will start on the other table.

## Determination of tables

- 1) During "home and away matches" table designation is made by the Home Team.
- 2) During "finals matches" the Highest Ranked team has the choice of the tables that the match will be played on. The tables on which games are to be played will be determined by the toss of a coin by the referee. For example, heads may determine game two (2) and four (4) are to be played on the far table; and if tails, game two (2) and four (4) are played on the near table.

## Format

- 3) Finals will normally be conducted over the two (2) week period immediately following the conclusion of the regular season.
- 4) The nights of play may be conducted from the Monday through Thursday of each week.
- 5) A four team finals is as follows:-
- 6) The minor premiers play the second placed team of the regular season with the winner going straight to the grand final; (Major Semi Final)
- 7) The third and fourth placed teams shall play with the winner playing on the third night; (Minor Semi Final)
- 8) The loser from the first night of play (Major Semi Final) shall play the winner from the second night of play (Minor Semi Final) at the home venue of Major Semi Final (Preliminary Final)
- 9) The winner of the Major Semi Final then plays the winner of the Preliminary Final in the grand final
- 10) During the finals, a match is concluded as soon as one team has won the night. This means that not all 'games' will be played in some circumstances.
- 11) Playoffs:

**A Grade:** 3 x 30 minutes of Billiards. Should one or more games be tied, the aggregate totals of the remaining games will decide the winner.

- 12) Players must maintain their respective positions on that night of play.
- 13) In the 'Billiards Season' finals for B and C Grade, two billiards players and one snooker frame shall be played. Billiards will be 30 minutes and one frame of snooker.
- 14) Players must maintain their respective positions on that night of play.