YORKSHIRE BILLIARDS & SNOOKER ASSOCIATION

Inter-District Snooker Rules.

- 1. All Y.B & S.A. affiliated leagues can enter Snooker and/or Billiards teams.
- **2**. All games must be played on standard tables, using approved balls and under current rules published by the W.P.B.S.A. and the I.B. & S.F.
- **3.** To be eligible to play for a team a player must be non-professional and a registered member of a club in the league or association affiliated to the Y.B. & S.A. which he/she intends to represent. He/she must be a registered member of that club on or before the start of the season.
- **4**. A player cannot play for more than one snooker team in the same season, but can represent the District Snooker and Billiards teams in the same season.
- **5**. A team wishing to postpone a fixture should notify their opponents AND Inter-District league giving at least 3 days' notice, otherwise penalties could be imposed. (see rule 10)

The team postponing the fixture will be asked to meet any reasonable expenses incurred by their opponents.

- **6**. A strict dress-code will apply to the Inter-District League and players should wear shoes, trousers, collared shirt/polo shirt. Jumpers are acceptable as long as there is a collar, or a shirt/polo shirt worn underneath. At no time will Jeans, t-shirts, trainers, tracksuits be acceptable at any time.
- 7. Snooker teams will consist of three players. Each player will play two consecutive frames per game. One point will be awarded for each frame win making six points available per match.
- **8**. Promotion and relegation will depend on the number of teams in each division, and will be at the discretion of the league committee.
- **9.** The League will be organised into an appropriate number of divisions according to the number of entries. Fixtures and contact names will be provided.
- 10. All matches <u>should</u> be played on the designated weekend and arranged well in advance. The home team has final choice of Saturday or Sunday. If exceptional circumstances prevent the match being played on time it should be re-arranged preferably for before, <u>but not more than fourteen days after</u>. Failure to comply could incur a penalty fine not less than £10 and/or loss of points in the current season or the start of the next reason.

The final round of fixtures MUST be played on the designated weekend.

- 11. Playing a fixture and then doubling points to avoid playing the return is not allowed.
- 12. Play will commence at 19:30 unless agreed otherwise by the teams involved.
- **13.** The home captain will present his team in playing order 1-2-3 to the away captain who will then have the responsibility of making the pairings. Play will then proceed on one table only unless agreed in advance by captains.
- **14**. It is the **home team's responsibility** to make contact and give details of venue and any special/helpful information to the away team. Contact must be made at least seven days before the match, but away captains must also make the effort to arrange matches.
- 15. It is the home team's responsibility to arrange referees and the Result Sheet MUST be completed and emailed, text, WhatsApp etc immediately after the match to admin@ybsa.co.uk / 07803 538829
- **16**. In the event of a tie on points for crucial positions then the following order takes place: Points, matches won; wins and draws; Head to Head. If this is also tied a neutral play-off will be arranged.
- **17.** Any player suspended from playing in their local league or association will automatically be suspended from playing in all Y.B. & S.A. leagues/tournaments for the duration of the local suspension.
- **18**. The Association both requires and expects that all playing obligations are fulfilled irrespective of league positions. This is regarded as a common courtesy to all concerned, not least our sponsor.

Please note

Although rule 3 remains the same, the Y.B. & S. A. committee strongly recommends that players in the Inter-District League participate in the league / association they are representing.

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