

ESTUARY FRIENDLY POOL LEAGUE

LEAGUE RULES

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Winter 2024

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- 1 A.G.M. to be held at least 2 weeks prior to the start of the season.
The date of A.G.M. must be advertised at least 2 weeks before.
- 2 Chairman to be elected at A.G.M. by majority vote. The chairman only has casting vote.
- 3 Committee members will be elected at A.G.M. A minimum number of 4 and maximum number of 12.
No pub/club to have more than 3 committee members. All committee members have one vote and no proxy voting.
- 4 The secretary has no vote at committee meetings.
- 5 Committee has the right to co-opt maximum of 2 extra committee members.
- 6 At all committee meetings there must be committee members and chairman.
- 7 Pool rules to be amended at A.G.M. only and must have proposal & seconder.
- 8 An extraordinary general meeting can be called by written request to the Chairman. The written request must be signed by at least 10 pool players from at least 2 teams, a two week notice will be given before such a meeting.
- 9 Dates for semi-finals & finals to be advertised at the beginning of the season, semi-finals must be played on a neutral table.
- 10 Clubs must be given 48hrs notice of any competitions to be held there.
- 11 E.P.A. rules to be played with exceptions, refer to printed sheet.
- 12 All matches to be played as 6 singles, 3 pairs and 1 captain's nomination.
Home team to supply first referee and then alternative. Toss for break.
- 13 Partners may briefly confer and determine what colour to go for after a break.
No coaching, partners may confer in doubles only until it is their turn to play.
- 14 There is no D, play from behind the line. After any foul you can pick the white ball up & place it behind the line.
- 15 Push shots are allowed.
- 16 Any player can only play for one team in a season. Any player breaking this rule loses the games they won playing for the second team.
- 17 Home Team must enter singles players by 8.30pm. A player must be at a venue by 8:30pm. Visiting team must enter team players by 8:40pm. Play must commence or loss of frame occurs to defaulting team. A second player must be available for play at 8:45pm or a second frame may be claimed. Declared players who arrive there after 9:30pm are not eligible to play. Players who are there before 9:30pm and not listed in the singles are entitled to play in the doubles. In the event of no players being available for play by 9:00pm a result of 9-0 will be awarded against the absent team (If the same team does this again they will be automatically out of the league).
- 18 All teams to pay a £20.00 deposit when joining the league so if notification of a team not turning up at a venue the aggrieved team can fill a result sheet in, claiming £10.00 towards food. If the same team does this again they will be automatically out of the league and the aggrieved team can claim £10.00 for food.
- 19 If a team drops out of the league in the 1st half of the season all points are deducted. If a team drops out in the second half of the season points will be deducted to halfway in the season.
- 20 No matches can be cancelled except under rule 21.
A Minimum of 4 players must turn up to each game, rule 18 applies if less turn up.
If no players arrive at the venue, aggrieved team returns sheet to Fixtures Secretary and is awarded **10-0 and 3 points**. Rule 18 applies if no notification is given to home team
(If the same team does this again they will be automatically out of the league).
Postponements due to less than the minimum 4 players being available, are subject to agreement by both teams and only allowed in the first half of the season. Postponements must be played before or on the first spare week.
- 21 In the event of extreme climatic conditions or unforeseeable circumstances the committee decision will be final. If a team cannot make a fixture, 48hrs notice is to be given to the Fixtures Secretary, the Team Captain and the Pub/Club.
If the same team does this again they will be automatically out of the league.
The committee will decide dates when the fixture must be played, should any team fail to play the match on the agreed date a 9-0 result will be given to the aggrieved team. All rearranged matches will be played within the league dates.
- 22 All result sheets should be filled in properly and signed by each captain. All games that are cancelled should be confirmed with the secretary. Sheets should reach the secretary by the Wednesday 12 noon after the match.
- 23 Finals night will be held at a quality venue with enough room for players and spectators.
- 24 League Winners will be determined using the following process
Highest Total Number of Points for the Team
In the event of a tie, Highest Total Frames Won for the Team
In the event of a tie, home and away games between the tied teams will be used.
A total number of frames won for both games will be used and the team with the most frames won will be the winner.
In the event of a further tie, a playoff between the teams will be arranged.