



WELSH POOL ASSOCIATION

Rules for Interleague 2010

Mens

1. The match will commence at 12.30pm
2. One frame every 5 minutes can be claimed if a team has not arrived. This may be the home team or away team. It will be your decision whether to impose this rule from 12.30pm exactly, do not phone any committee member asking what you should do
3. At least one team must have 9 players at the venue by 1.15pm or the game will be forfeited. The team with less than 9 players will lose the frames for the amount of players they are short. These blanks will be at the bottom of each session on the result sheet. The team with 9 players or more will receive the highest points on the day in their division including any bonus points should the opposition fail to have at least 7 players.
4. If a team fails to turn up they will be receive no points for the game and a 10 points deduction. If they fail to turn up for 2 matches they will be expelled from the Interleague Program. If they wished to join again the following season then they may have to pay a bond and would be placed in the bottom division
5. The non offending team will receive the highest points on the day in their division including the bonus points. If no game played in a division on a specified match day then the offended team will be awarded the highest points including bonus points in the next division up. In the case of the Premier Division points will be taken from Division 1
6. If a team drops out at any stage of the season all points conceded by that team will be deducted from the appropriate teams.
7. The match will consist of 36 frames
8. This will be made up of 4 sessions of 9 frames
9. Both teams will write down their first session names and then lag for break for each frame
10. Two volunteers from the Home Team will referee the first 2 games. After that the losing player will referee
11. You are encouraged to implement the one minute rule to avoid games finishing late.
12. Any team playing a player on the banned list will be fined, and any points won by that player will be deducted, and awarded to the opposition
13. Players will remain on the banned players list until the committee decide to remove them from the list and a new list has been sent out to everyone

14. In the first half of the season games can be re-arranged at any time, provided the Fixture's Secretary is informed by the Wednesday prior to the original scheduled date. He will then contact the opposing side and report back with three alternate dates on which to play the match. If the cancelling team cannot agree to any of those dates, then the highest points, on the scheduled date of the match, will be awarded to the other team, including bonus points. Failure to inform the Fixture's Secretary will result in the cancelling team incurring a 10 point deduction. Cancellation after the "Wednesday Prior" will be at the discretion of the Opponents, but the Fixtures Secretary again needs to be informed, and he will contact the opponents.
15. In the second half of the season any re-arranged games must be played prior to the scheduled date. Opponents must be given at least one months notice, but they are not obliged to change the date. Once again the Fixture's Secretary must be informed of any changed dates or both teams will incur a 10 point deduction.
16. The final match of the season **MUST** be played. Failure to play may result in expulsion for the cancelling team.
17. No team shall be more than 1 game in advance of the scheduled date
18. The bonus points system will be:
 - 2 Bonus Points for a Home win
 - 3 Bonus Points for an Away win
 - 1 Bonus Point each if the game ends in a draw

Ladies

1. If 4 players from each team are not at the venue by 1.00pm then the game will be forfeited. The team with less than 4 players will receive no points. The team with 4 players or more will receive the highest points on the day in their division including any bonus points
2. The match will consist of 25 frames
3. This will be made up of 5 sessions of 5 frames
4. All the other rules as above

NOTES FOR ALL TEAMS

1. Both teams to post, or preferably email, match results to the Fixture's Secretary by the 8th day following the game. Penalty for not sending in the result or an uncompleted result sheet is a 10 point deduction as player's statistics may be affected, and this could affect selection for Wales etc.
2. Please make sure all the details are entered on the result sheet including which TEAM WHICH SENDS in the result. Names should be in BLOCK CAPITALS on all sheets otherwise this could result in merit points not being allocated to the correct player.
3. Managers are responsible for bringing to the attention of players the WPA policy on drug abuse.
4. Random drug test at Interleague matches are possible.
5. The Rules will be the European Blackball Rules
6. Tables must be 7 x 4 wherever possible and situated with ample cueing space. 2 tables are required
7. Promotion and Relegation
 - Where possible 2 teams will be promoted and relegated from each division, apart from East Division 1 and West Division 1 where only the top team will be promoted to Division 1. If the 2 teams relegated from Division 1 are both from the same region, only one team will be promoted, and two relegated from each Division in that Region.
 - For teams that have equal points at the end of the season affecting promotion and relegation the following rules in order will be applied until the issue is decided
 - A most matches won
 - B most frames won
 - C points won in both matches between the teams
 - D a one match play-off at a neutral venue
8. Light refreshments should be available at the venue
9. A dress code of trousers, shoes and Polo shirts is encouraged although it is not obligatory. Players however, must be dressed smartly.
10. Transfers are allowed in the first half of the season at a cost of £25 And the player cannot play until the treasurer has received the money and confirmation is given by text, or on the internet, by the Fixture's secretary, Mike Dunn
11. If a player wishes to transfer in the second half of the season then a letter stating the reasons for the request for the transfer must be sent to the secretary along with the transfer fee and the matter will be decided at an executive or full committee meeting. If the request is turned down the money will be refunded.
12. Foul and abusive behavior will not be tolerated by the WPA and could result in the player being fined or banned.

If you have any queries then please contact **Mike Dunn on 07852 948495**