



SQUASH AND RACKETBALL LEAGUES INFORMATION SHEET

If there is a Ladder, why join the Leagues?

The Leagues provide members with the chance to play regular competitive games (usually four a month) against players of a similar standard. The Leagues require members to play a minimum number of games each month and so are the best way to play regular competitive games, particularly if used alongside the Ladder.

How do the Leagues work?

The Competitions Organiser publishes the Leagues at the start of each month and circulates a notice to all members via e-mail. They will usually comprise five players per league or sometimes four depending on the numbers of participating members.

The Leagues change each month with some players being promoted or relegated depending on the number of points they gain during the month. Each match is the best of five games with each player receiving two points for playing and one further point for each game won. Additionally the winner of the match gains 1 bonus point for a 3-2 win, 2 bonus points for a 3-1 win, and 3 bonus points for a straight 3-0 win. This means a game score of 3-0 gives the winner 8 points and the loser 2 points, a 3-1 score a 7- 3 point split and a 3-2 score provides a 6-4 points allocation. A drawn match does not yield bonus points, so a 1-1 score gives 3points to each player and a 2-2 score, 4 points each.

New players joining the Leagues will be placed in a League which the Competition Organiser feels is appropriate for the player's standard and any promotions or relegations will be adjusted accordingly. It may take several months of adjustment to find a players true level. Anyone returning to the league after a lay-off may find they return in a league lower than when they left.

Applicable only to the Squash Leagues, it will be noted by hovering a mouse pointer over the name of a league player in the League Table it will reveal a Squash Level value. This is an Official Global Squash Rating and points are allocated or deducted in accordance with results logged for Club league games. At Club level these are viewed with academic interest by most players, but do serve to assess the potential standard of opponents if you are new to the leagues. The better the player, generally the higher the Squash Level point ranking.

How to Join.

Members who wish to join the Leagues need to contact the organiser by emailing tavisquash.competitions@gmail.com. You will be required to provide two contact details such as an email address and a phone number.

How to Play.

Once you are in the Leagues you will be emailed the latest Leagues at the start of the month. You can also view them on the Clubs web site. You will then need to make contact with the other players in your League to arrange your games. Of course they may also contact you first. Getting games pencilled in early in the month, even to play later in the month, is good practice to avoid a fixture pile up at month's end.

All players in the Leagues are expected to make every effort to both arrange games and agree to times which are suitable to both players. Players who fail to play at least two games in two consecutive months will be taken out of the Leagues unless there are mitigating circumstances. It is not fair on the other players if someone does not agree to play their games.

[Entering Match Results.](#)

The easiest way to enter the result of a match is via the electronic touch screen outside the court, by using the red "Enter Results" button as each game progresses and saving the score.

Alternatively the match result can be entered using the touch screen to the left of the Club entrance. Simply touch the screen, touch the "Enter Results" link, scan your fob on the scanner to the left of the screen, and enter each game result. You can also do this via the web site, but you must log-in first.

N.B. Please remember that the result will also influence the Ladder position if both players are on the Ladder. This is all taken care of automatically when the result is entered and so you do not have to do anything else.

[Forfeiting a Game.](#)

If you are unable to play or you do not want to play for any reason then you need to advise your opponents and the Competitions Organiser as soon as you can. Your opponents can claim up to eight points from the Competitions Organiser if they wish to, but this will be at the Competitions Organiser's discretion and will be based on the other games played in that league. They will not automatically count in full.

[Taking a Break!](#)

If you wish to pull out of the Leagues at any time simply advise the Competitions organiser by emailing tavisquash.competitions@gmail.com. If you are ill or injured and cannot complete your games for any particular month then please advise the Competitions Organiser ASAP and fellow members of your league.

Further Information

If you have any questions or wish to clarify anything please send an email to the Competitions Organiser at tavisquash.competitions@gmail.com