



# TRENT TROPHIES TUESDAY POOL LEAGUE

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## CONSTITUTION 2018

Welcome to the Trent Trophies Tuesday Pool League (hereinafter called “TTTPL”). The TTTPL is a competitive yet friendly pool league where all matches are played in a sporting and safe environment. By entering a team into the TTTPL you will be deemed to accept and be governed by our Constitution and Rules.

### THE COMMITTEE.

The Committee will be made up of three executive officers and a representative (Delegate) from each registered team.

- i. The Committee shall direct policy and the general management/running of the TTTPL.
- ii. The members of the Executive Committee shall be elected at the AGM for the following year.
- iii. No persons shall be eligible for nomination to an officer position until a minimum of 2 years has been served as a Delegate.
- iv. Any person wishing to volunteer for an Officer position must be recommended by at least 2 Committee officers or at least 50% of all registered Delegates who have been so for at least 2 consecutive years.

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Positions and Responsibilities.

The Executive Committee (hereinafter called “The Committee”) shall consist of the following officer positions:-

- i. CHAIRMAN. -responsible for the overall running of the TTTPL.
- ii. TREASURER. -will make authorised payments, maintain proper records including the taking of the minutes of all meetings, generally safeguard the funds of the TTTPL and present the annual accounts at the AGM.
- iii. SECRETARY. -will assist the Chairman and Vice Chairman, records all match results and maintain all fixtures for the season.

**2018 amendments appear in red font, as do critical notes**

### DISCIPLINE.

Disputes, complaints and appeals procedure.

1. **IGNORANCE OF THIS CONSTITUTION AND PLAYING RULES WILL NOT COUNT.**
2. The Committee have the power to ban/suspend or fine any Team/Player who brings the TTTPL into disrepute.
  - i. Any verbal abuse of another player/team £10 fine if complaint upheld.
  - ii. Any verbal abuse of any Committee member £20 fine and suspension if complaint upheld.
3. Drunkenness in any form will not be tolerated.
  - i. Delegates or bona-fide team members entering a Committee meeting who are drunk or appear to be drunk will be asked to leave immediately and fined accordingly.
  - ii. Players who are drunk or appear to be drunk, their team’s captain will be asked to substitute that player and he/she will be fined accordingly.

4. Any form of dispute will be settled by the Committee, their decision being final.
  - i. Any appeals must be made in writing (or email) to The Chairman within seven days.  
(Address on page 7 of this Constitution).
5. In the event of any dispute you **MUST** contact either the Chairman or Secretary within 48hrs to register your complaint.
  - i. This **MUST** be followed by an explanatory letter to The Committee with a £5 fee within 7 days.
  - ii. The complaint/dispute will then be reviewed at the next meeting.
  - iii. If the complaint/dispute arises close to a meeting The Committee may hold it over until the next meeting in order to give all relevant parties the opportunity to present their case.
  - iv. The £5 fee will be refunded if the complaint/dispute is proven.
6. Each team must provide a nominated Delegate to attend Committee meetings. A Delegate may only represent one team at a meeting.
  - i. Venues with multiple teams must provide a delegate for each team who must attend each meeting.
  - ii. Only the nominated Delegate may enter into discussions unless permission is first sought from The Committee.
  - iii. If the nominated Delegate cannot attend a meeting then a bona-fide member of their team must attend in proxy.
  - iv. Any Delegate who leaves any Committee meeting early (for whatever reason) will be fined £5 and will not be entered into any of that meetings monetary prize draws.
  - v. No apologies are allowed.
  - vi. Only the nominated Delegate at the start of the season may enter the Delegates and Landlord/Licenses Merits.
  - vii. If the Landlord/Licence is a non pool player then a bona-fide employee may enter on their behalf.
7. An Extraordinary General Meeting may be called by not less than 50% of the Delegates to deal with a matter of great importance.
  - i. Unless The Committee considers the matter to be trivial or adequately dealt with elsewhere The Committee must convene such a meeting giving a minimum of two weeks notice.

#### **FINANCE.**

8. All TTTPL monies will be placed into a bank account:
  - i. Any two signatories of The Committee will be required to make a withdrawal.
9. Any team owing our League £30 (or more) or missing two meetings in succession will be automatically suspended until the matter has been resolved.
10. Any team owing our League any money at the end of a meeting although present will not be eligible to be entered into any of the draws.
11. Entry for League/Merits will be decided by the Committee. Our League entry fee for the 2018 season is £80 per team (minimum £40 to be paid at the AGM (Acceptance Meeting)).
  - i. A monthly subscription of £5 (to be paid at each monthly meeting, see FINES AND PENALTIES
  - ii. Plus £2 per signed player which must be paid on registration.
  - iii. All Merits fees must be paid in full when each Merits entry sheet is returned to The Committee.

#### **TROPHIES.**

12. As TTTPL is a sponsored Trophy League there will be no monetary prizes in lieu of trophies, monetary prizes are awarded only in competitions where a prize pot is expressly stated.

## MERITS.

13. All Teams/Players Delegates and Landlords/Licence's entering any Merits competitions must be made aware that their phone numbers will be made freely available to all TTTPL Teams and Players only.
14. Each team in the League is required to enter TWO pairs in the Doubles Merits Competition, as agreed and passed at the 2017 A.G.M. , no exceptions are allowed ( if a team cannot fulfil the Doubles Merits fixtures they must still pay the registration fee ).
15. Rounds of Singles/Doubles Merits to reach the last sixteen of the competitions will be played at venues that have entered players in to the competitions. Last sixteen to/and including the Finals will be played at League Sponsors venues,
16. The Landlords&Delegates Competition will be played at a League Sponsors venue as a 'One Night' event.

Entry fees for the 2018 season.

17. Charges for the merits knockout competitions as follows:-
  - i. Singles Merits £3.
  - ii. Doubles Merits £5.
  - iii. Delegates and Landlords/Licences Merits £1 each.

## CHARITY.

18. The entry fee for the Les Taft Memorial Trophy is £5, if you lose in the first round then you will be automatically entered into the Charity 4's knockout competition, money raised through entry fees and the League's donation will be split accordingly:-
  - i. 60% to the Les Taft Memorial Trophy winners registered charity.
  - ii. 40% to the Charity 4's winners registered charity.
  - iii. Only the winner of both knockout competitions will receive a trophy, ensuring that the charities receive all entry fees and donations.

## ELEGIBILITY.

19. Failure to meet the following requirements will prevent any team from entering the TTTPL.
  - i. Any team owing any money from previous seasons.
  - ii. A minimum of 50% of the League fees must be paid at the Acceptance Meeting (AGM).
  - iii. In line with the E.P.A. World 8 Ball Playing Rules, Home teams are expected to provide the correct set of 'pro' balls ( i.e. spotted whiteball and striped 8 ball ) . **'Old' balls ( i.e. plain white ball and plain 8 ball ) will not be permitted for use in this League after the start of the 2018 Season.**
20. Staffordshire County Team players are allowed to play in the TTTPL under the following conditions:-
  - i. **Men's County players are only allowed to play two frames per match. Ladies, Juniors or Seniors are allowed to play three frames per match ( i.e. normal League player rules ).**
  - ii. The Committee retain the right to exclude any player the Committee deems to be a professional pool player.
  - iii. **Definition of a county player is: - A County player is deemed so if they have played a County frame at any point during last season, or any point this season, seasons are based on EPA County calendar.**
  - iv. **Each team may use up to 2 County players (Men only restricted by this rule), both must play at separate venues ( one at Home, one Away ), and may play a maximum of 2 frames in all League or Cup competitions unless playing a Captain's/playoff frame**

**v. County players can not play together with another county player in any doubles, 3s or 4s tournaments.**

21. No person may play in the TTTPL if banned/suspended from any other League or the SCPA unless the TTTPL Chairman/Committee are fully aware of the details of the ban, and agree to allow the player entry into the League.
22. Juniors are allowed to sign but are requested to play at their home venue unless permission has first been granted by the Landlord/Licensee of the away venue.
  - i. No guarantees can be given by The Committee in the Nines, Charity "4's", Champion of Champions, or when entering any Merits Competitions.
23. All teams entering the TTTPL must meet the following requirements:
  - i. Their venue where home team matches are to be played must hold Full Liability Insurance.
  - ii. Must hold a Full Liquor License.
  - iii. Must have access to enable players to have a pre-match practice at another time other than on the night of the match.
  - i. The **PLAYER REGISTRATION SHEET** and **DELEGATES QUESTIONNAIRE** must be completed and submitted to The Committee by the league meeting dated **24<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2018**
  - ii. Failure to return the player Registration Sheet and Delegates Questionnaire by this date will result in an immediate £10 fine (for each sheet), and a further £10 for every month either are outstanding thereafter.
24. Players are only allowed to sign for one team per season. Should a team be found to have played an unregistered player:
  - i. A £10 fine per unregistered player per match.
  - ii. Each result will be amended accordingly.
  - iii. You may still sign players after the registration date but you must inform The Committee before they pick up a cue for your team. This must then be followed by their details and £2 being handed in at the next meeting.
  - iv. New player signings after the half way point of the League will be scrutinised by the Committee to prevent any team unfairly strengthening their team.
25. No Team/Player may put any other leagues activities before ours.
  - i. Failure to comply will result in immediate expulsion from that Competition and a suspension/fine by the Committee.
26. In the event of a points tie at the end of the season the league will be decided on the head to head results of the teams involved ( i.e. if team A won both league fixtures they would win the league ). If the teams are level on points and equal on the head to head ( i.e. both teams won one fixture each ) then there will be a play-off match using the Superleague format - using two tables at stated venue, lag for break ( see addendum ).
27. Teams may only register a maximum of fifteen players.

**PLAYING FORMAT.**

28. None playing Captains are allowed in all competitions.
29. We are playing under World 8 Ball Playing Rules. Any amendments must be agreed between the two Captains prior to the match commencing.
  - i. Amendment to World 8 Ball Pool Rule Z. (7) only one referee required. Unless the proviso of Rule no 27 (ii.) of this Constitution is enforced.
  - ii. **ONE MINUTE PLAYING TIME RULE (WORLD 8 BALL PLAYING RULE (I)).** The one minute playing time rule cannot be implemented at any time during the match unless it has been agreed by

the Captains prior to the commencement of the match. Proviso:- However if one captain wishes to play the time rule and one does not, then the time rule must be implemented and adhered to by all parties throughout the match.

30. Should a team not be able to field a full side ( with a minimum of three players at home and three players away ) then the fixture must take place with a minimum of three players who must attend the away venue.
- i. As much notice as possible must be given to The Committee prior to a change of venue.
    1. ~~NO MATCHES ARE TO BE CANCELLED. FAILURE TO COMPLY WILL RESULT IN THE INNOCENT TEAM BEING AWARDED THE MATCH 14-4, TWO POINTS DEDUCTED AND A FINE OF £15.00.~~ **Amended at E.G.M. 25/6/17 – See Addendum on last page.**
    2. If the Committee has indicated special circumstances and a match MUST be rearranged, the Committee will set a date ( before the match was due to be played ) when the fixture MUST be played. Failure of fulfilment of a fixture set by the Committee under the special circumstances will result in point 1 above being implemented immediately.
31. All League/Cup matches will be played on Tuesday evenings wherever possible. The Committee may need to schedule some Merits or Les Taft Memorial Trophy/Charity “4’s” matches to a Thursday evening.
- i. All matches are to be started by 8-00pm; our league deadline is 8-15pm.
  - ii. If you arrive after this time the innocent team may claim the first frame for you being late at that venue only. (Names to be written down in the normal way and the first frame forfeited).
  - iii. If you arrive after 8-30pm the innocent team (at that venue only) may claim the Match.
  - iv. You may have a player arriving late but he/she must be there to play the fourth (third when playing the minimum number of players) frame. If not in attendance by this time then that frame and any subsequent frames that player would have played are forfeited.
  - v. Visiting players in attendance by 8-10pm are to be allowed one knock-up frame.
32. **In all League games, the away team breaks the first frame, in any other competitions such as a Cup’s, Merits, Les Taft & C4’s the first frame will be lagged for, with following frame breaks being alternate.** In the event of a side consisting of three players only, the playing order as indicated on the Result Sheet MUST be followed.
- i. Each frame should be refereed alternatively.
  - ii. Should a dispute arise then only the named Captains may confer with the Referee.
  - iii. The Referee’s decision is deemed to be final.
33. All results are to be phoned through to the Secretary no later than 8-00pm on the evening following the Match.
- i. **Both** teams are obliged to phone the result through.
  - ii. A sent text/Email does not constitute a received text.
  - iii. Failure to phone/text a result through will result in a £10 phone fine.
34. All Result Sheets must be handed in at every meeting or posted to the Secretary within 3 days of the meeting. (Address listed at end of this constitution).
- i. Failure to do so will result in a £4 fine per sheet.
  - ii. A further £4 fine for every month they remain outstanding.
35. The playing format will be as follows: -
- i. **LEAGUE MATCHES**, 9 single frames played at each venue on the same night (minimum 3 (three) players maximum 9 (nine) players per team).
- If a team has more than 3 players their Captain may write down the first 4 names and choose the remaining players after the fourth frame. No player to play more than three times. No player to play consecutive frames. Playing the same opponent more than once per match is allowed as long as the frames are not consecutive .

- i. KNOCKOUT CUP AND SUBSIDIARY CUP MATCHES, in rounds up to the final as (i.) with a Captain's frame (if stipulated) to be played at the venue of the first team drawn out. ~~Names to be drawn out at start~~ -The match is to be played over eighteen frames (nine home – nine away) with a Captain's frame at the venue stipulated by the Committee.
- ii. The Captain's frame must be played first.
- iii. A minimum of three players must play at each venue (home and away).
- iv. The player nominated to play the Captain's Frame is allowed to also play Frame One of the match.
- v. No player may play two consecutive frames, with the exception of a player playing the Captain's Frame and Frame one of the match.
- vi. Players may play the same player twice, as long as the frames are not consecutive.
- vii. At venue with Captain's Frame, lag for Break of the Captain's Frame, then Breaks alternate thereafter.
- viii. At venue without Captain's Frame, players playing Frame One lag for Break, then Breaks alternate thereafter. The Finals of both the main and Sub Cups to be played under 'Superleague' format, using two tables at stated venue, lag for break ( see addendum ), if scores are equal after eighteen frames the two Captains nominate three players each to play a three frame decider.
- i. LES TAFT MEMORIAL TROPHY AND CHARITY "4'S", Names to be drawn out first. First player drawn for each team then 'lags' for choice of opening break ( **SEE ADDENDUM ON LAST PAGE FOR DEFINITION OF THE LAG**). Frame one is a team game of Scotch Doubles with all 4 players of each team playing sequentially in the order of the original draw, usual Scotch Doubles rules apply, no talking whilst in visit. The next frames to be 4 singles and 2 doubles, as set out by the draw. The eighth frame to be a Scotch Doubles team game ( as detailed for frame one) **and if there is a drawn position after eight frames a blackball shootout will ensue, with each player from each team attempting to pot a black off its spot from behind the line, just like a penalty shootout in football, if it goes to sudden death, the shootout continues with both the cue ball and black played from the spot. Maximum of 5 registered players per team with the Captains able to substitute their fifth player into the match.** The Committee may sanction additions to the 5 man teams under agreed special circumstances only.
- i. SECRETARY'S CUP AND SUB SECRETARY'S CUP MATCHES, six single frames and 3 "scotch doubles" frames played at the Venue of the first team drawn out. Six names to be drawn out before the commencement of the match for the singles, the Scotch Doubles pairings are players 1&2, 3&4 and 5&6 as determined by the singles draw. Substitutions may be made to the Scotch Doubles pairs.
- ii. The Finals of both the main and Sub Cups to be played under 'Superleague' format, using two tables at stated venue, lag for break ( see addendum ), if scores are equal after eighteen frames the two Captains nominate three players each to play a three frame decider.
- iii. Finals venues for all merits competitions and Cups will be arranged at the start of the Season by the Committee. In the event that a player/team contesting a Final is playing at their Home venue that player/team **MUST** play on a neutral table ( i.e. not a table they would usually play on ).

**N.B. - SEE ADDENDUM AT END OF DOCUMENT FOR 3 MAN COMPETITION.**

36. Committee members are not bound to referee any matches unless agreed, the exception being Merits finals.
37. **EIGHTBALL RULE AND TROPHY.** To count on a players first visit to the table providing all fifteen balls are on the table.
  - i. Eight balls do not count in merits (except Refereed finals).
  - ii. Trophies will not be allocated for less than three clearances, unless rule 35 iii is applied by The Committee.
  - iii. If a player achieves their first ever eight ball clearance then they may ask their Delegate to request (in writing) consideration for a trophy under the special circumstances rule (rule 35 iii.) The Committee will then review and consider the claim.
38. **Doubles Merits playing time rule.** At the commencement of each teams turn the player has a maximum of 2 minutes to play a shot with a "30 seconds" warning being called by the referee after 1 ½ minutes has elapsed. Thereby allowing "discussion time" between the team. After the initial shot of the visit where

no discussions are permitted the player has 1 minute to play a shot with a “30 seconds” warning being called by the referee after ½ a minute has elapsed.

- i. Doubles Merits. **Double Merits are played under ‘Scotch Doubles’ rules.** Players may confer with each other after the break and before the next shot of the frame. Thereafter players may only confer between visits,
  - ii. **World 8 Ball Playing rule (K10).** In doubles talking between partners is allowed from the point the balls stop moving at the end of a partner’s turn (throughout the opponent’s turn), and until the cue ball is struck at the beginning of the other partner’s turn. However, only the player whose turn it is is allowed to touch the table.
39. All Merits Matches must take place at the stipulated venue on the allotted date. If the Committee discover that a match has been played at a different venue or on a different date a severe fine will be imposed on the players concerned.
- i. All players must be playing in our League on a regular basis (50% of the season) up to the quarter final stage of any Merits Competition or that player will be excluded from it.
  - ii. All winners must phone their result through to the Secretary/Chairman no later than 8-00pm on the evening following their match. Failure to do so will result in a £5 in the first instance. (Note a sent text is not confirmation of a received text).
  - iii. Failure to phone a result through a second time will result in immediate expulsion from that Merits Competition.
  - iv. Failure to attend a Merits Match without informing both your opponent(s) and the Chairman at least 24 hours in advance will result in a £10 fine and immediate expulsion from that Merits Competition.
  - v. Failure to attend a League/Merits finals night a £10 fine. (Unless agreed with The Committee in advance).
40. All Teams/Individuals will be required to sign: -  
**A Receipt and Acceptance of Terms for all returnable League Trophies.** If they choose to keep Trophies until the TTTPL requests that the Trophies are to be returned.
- i. All returnable Trophies are to be returned to the Executive Committee by that year’s January League meeting, failure to return the trophies at this meeting will incur a £10 fine.
  - ii. No returnable League Trophy will be issued to Teams/Players if they are known not be entering the TTTPL for the following season.
  - iii. The Committee reserves the right to refuse to issue any returnable Trophy to any Club/Pub if they have held any Trophy in previous seasons and returned them in what is considered to be ‘an inappropriate condition’, i.e. excessively dirty or damaged.
41. If a Club/Pub is named under Rule n<sup>o</sup> (38 iii), then only the players’ non-returnable Merits Trophies will be issued.
42. Any Team entitled to receive any Trophy must have a minimum of 5 representatives (signed players) in attendance at the Presentation Evening to receive any Trophy they may be entitled to.
43. Any Player entitled to receive any trophy must be in attendance in person at the Presentation Evening to receive any trophy they may be entitled to.
41. Any ceding of teams in Cups & Competitions, and any Handicapping systems used during events, will be at the discretion of the Committee and passed by the Delegates prior to enforcement.
42. In Competition Finals played under ‘Interleague Format’ the order of breaks will be selected by ‘blind’ draw at the League Meeting prior to the Final, as discussed and finalised by the Committee/Delegates at the 2017 A.G.M.

### **MERITS FORMAT.**

1. Any player wishing to compete in any Merits Competition **MUST** provide full contact details (current home and mobile phone n<sup>o</sup>s and address), failure to so will result in disqualification from that Competition.
2. All matches to be played on the date set by the Committee.
3. All matches to be played at the venue set by the Committee
4. The final will be held at a Venue deemed suitable by the Committee.
5. The winning team/player must notify the result to the League Secretary or League Chairman on the numbers supplied below no later than 8 o' clock on the evening following the match.
6. All table fees to be shared.
7. Players NOT available for the QUATER FINAL STAGE AND ONWARDS of all Merits will be replaced by their previous round opponent(s).
8. All merits matches will be played at the venue of the team or player first drawn out.
  - i. Singles Merits are the best of five frames, first round.
    - i. The best of seven frames thereafter, up to and including the final.
  - ii. Doubles Merits are the best of five frames **using the Scotch Doubles format**, up to and including the semi final.
    - i. The final will be the best of seven frames.
  - iii. Delegates and Landlords/Licensees Merits are the best of five frames, up to and including the semi-final.
    - i The final will be best of seven frames.
    - ii To enter the Delegates and Landlords/Licensees Merits a player must be deemed a Delegate by the Committee and must attend a minimum of 50% of League Meetings.

#### **SUBSCRIPTIONS PAID AT EACH MEETING.**

1. Rollerball £2. (50% to the winning team (represented) at the meeting, 50% to the League).
2. Annual Draw £2. (75% to the winning team (must have a minimum of five signed players in attendance at the Annual Presentation Evening), 25% to the League).
3. Delegates Draw £1. (50% to the winning Delegate (present at the meeting), 50% to the winning Delegate (present) at the Annual Presentation Evening).

#### **ANY DISPUTES OR COMPLAINTS SHOULD BE PUT IN WRITING TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE MEMBERS.**

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Secretary. Ken Waller **07745444689** [kjwaller@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:kjwaller@hotmail.co.uk)  
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#### **FINES & PENALTIES.**

1. None fulfilment of a fixture £15, loss of match 14-4 and two points deducted from League standing.  
**Amended at E.G.M. 25/6/17 – See Addendum**
2. The playing of an unregistered player £10 and loss of the frame/frames.
3. Non attendance of a league meeting £15 (£10 non-attendance £5 league subs owing), and 2 points to be deducted from “that” teams overall monthly score.
4. Results sheet not returned £4 per sheet and £4 per meeting that they are missing.
5. Results not phoned in and results phoned in late £10 per result.

6. Failure of a player to attend the League Merits Finals Night £10 (unless agreed with the committee in advance).
7. Any Delegate who leaves any Committee meeting early (for whatever reason) will be fined £5 and will not be entered into any of that meetings monetary prize draws.
8. Any verbal abuse of another player/team £10 if complaint is upheld.
9. Any verbal abuse of a committee member £20 and suspension if complaint upheld.

### **CESSATION OF THE TRENT TROPHIES TUESDAY POOL LEAGUE.**

If for any reason the 'TTTPL' ceases to operate, the last elected official will be deemed to be the trustee of the leagues finances. The trustee will have no powers of withdrawals, other than to pay legal and proven creditors of any money owing. The leagues cheque or deposit books must be returned immediately to the high street institution.

### **DISPERSAL.**

If this executive committee was to disband and not re-start within 1 year, the trustee is charged to meet on the First anniversary and dispose of all monies to a registered charity. Any perennial trophies may be donated to another league.

### **DATA PROTECTION.**

All information supplied to the TTTPL (mobile telephone no<sup>s</sup>) for the use of **Rule n<sup>o</sup>'s 6, 20 and Merits Format** and the contacting of teams and players will not be passed on to any other body or third party. At the end of every season all details except players names will be deleted accordingly. To assist with the taking of the minutes of League Meetings all meetings are recorded. The recordings are held by the League Treasurer until one month after the Annual General Meeting ( or commencement of the following Season ) to be called upon in the event of any disputes, and are then securely overwritten and destroyed.

### **TRENT TROPHIES TUESDAY POOL LEAGUE DRUGS USE POLICY.**

Class A, B and C drugs are termed as controlled substances under the Misuse of Drugs act 1971, with Class A being those considered most harmful.

The Misuse of Drugs Act states that it is an offence to:

1. Possess a controlled substance unlawfully.
2. Possess a controlled substance with intent to supply.
3. Supply or offering to supply a controlled drug (even when no charge is made for the drug).
4. Allow premises you occupy or manage to be used for the purpose of drug taking.

Any person caught with drugs in any form will:

1. Be reported to the police.
2. Suspended immediately from taking part in any TTTPL matches.
3. If found guilty by any court will be banned from TTTPL for the maximum term under the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971.

## **ADDENDUM**

1. Additional to **Rule 33 playing format:-**

### **3 PLAYER KNOCKOUT CUP AND SUB CUP.**

TOURNAMENT OVERVIEW.

A team knockout played over one night.  
Each match will be best of three frames.  
Teams may consist of any number of players, but only 3 may play in each match.  
Each team may change their players for any subsequent round.  
The Green Baize will provide 8 nominated tables for this event.  
The draw to be made on the night of the event.

#### SUB KNOCKOUT CUP.

There will be a sub knockout cup to be run alongside the main knockout cup, this will include all players eliminated in the first round, to start at a time similar to the quarter final matches in the knockout cup.

#### BEFORE EACH FRAME COMMENCES.

Teams to write down their nominated players for that round.  
The team winning the toss will have two options  
1, choose to break in frames 1-3 or 2.

#### THE LAG

Balls should be of equal size and weight.  
Ideally use cue balls, but when unavailable use two object balls.  
With 'ball in hand' behind the baulk line, one player to the left and the other to the right of the table, balls are struck simultaneously towards the top cushion to return as close as possible to the baulk cushion. The player whose ball comes to rest closest to the edge of the baulk cushion wins the lag.  
It is automatic loss of lag if a ball ....  
(a) Crosses into the opponent's half of the table  
(b) Fails to contact the top cushion.  
(c) Drops into a pocket. (d) Jumps from the table.  
(e) Touches a side cushion.  
(f) Comes to rest within that area of a corner pocket taking it past the nose of the baulk cushion.  
Players will lag again if both players fall victim to automatic loss of lag rules or the referee is unable to determine which ball is closer.

#### **Change to Rule No. 30) Section i) Part 1) as authorised by the Committee & Delegates during the E.G.M. of 25<sup>th</sup> June 2017:-**

Original format - NO MATCHES ARE TO BE CANCELLED. FAILURE TO COMPLY WILL RESULT IN THE INNOCENT TEAM BEING AWARDED THE MATCH 14-4, TWO POINTS DEDUCTED AND A FINE OF £15.00.

Amended to –

NO MATCHES ARE TO BE CANCELLED. FAILURE TO COMPLY WILL RESULT IN THE INNOCENT TEAM BEING AWARDED THE MATCH 14-4, TWO POINTS DEDUCTED IF THE HALFWAY STAGE OF THE LEAGUE HAS BEEN REACHED AND A FINE OF £15.00 FOR THE FIRST CANCELLATION, INCREASING BY AN ADDITIONAL COMPOUNDED £10.00 FOR SUBSEQUENT CANCELLATIONS ( i.e. £15.00 the first time, £25.00 second time, £35.00 third time, etc.).

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Updated in accordance with **2018** A.G.M.