

## SALISBURY 8 BALL & SPORTS ASSOCIATION BY-LAWS

### By-Law 1

Committee:

- A: Any Committee member who misses Three (3) consecutive meetings in a row without an apology or reason shall be considered to have resigned and that position then becomes vacant, A letter of notification will be sent to the Committee Member within seven (7) days and should be replied to by or at the next Committee meeting where possible.

### By-Law 2

Players:

- A: All players must have completed 15 frames of any Cue Sports to compete in Semi-finals and Grand Finals as well as Carnivals. A player's 15 frames are only counted for one night under Salisbury 8 Ball & Sports Association..
- B: A player may transfer between from one team to another but only after a letter from that player is submitted to the committee and has been voted on and allowed to Transfer.
- C: Note: This by-law is for B grade only A grade is open to all players :..... Super League Player('s) may play in a team, but only a maximum of six (6) frames are allowed by all Super League Players combined in any round of 15 frames or part thereof.  
Side note: A grade team may consist of all super league players
- D: No player is allowed to fill in for another team if that team is short of a player/s under any circumstances (exception below).

A player can join a team at any time as long as the registration fee is paid on the night before any games are played, this player can be treated as a fill in player if a team is short and may play full time or part time for a team if they wish to do so, if competing in finals may play as long as they have completed part A of By-Law 2. This player must get approval from the committee's team manager and opposing team captain must be notified before games commence.

Fill Ins:

A grade player for A grade only, but only if they do not play for Salisbury Association on the night they fill in, B or C grade player can fill in for A, B or C grade (cannot play in multiple teams on the same night), cost \$2 A Frame and Secretary or President/Vice President must be notified before game/s.

- E: No catch up games for any reason at all. Exception to the rule, Only under special circumstances will a catch-up game be approved. At least 4 hours notice must be given to the Committee for consideration of approval.

Elimination Final: Higher finishing team to have choice of venue.

Qualifying Final: Higher finishing team to have choice of venue.

Preliminary Final: Higher finishing team in minor round to have choice of venue.

Grand is final to be played at Caruso's the home of Salisbury 8 Ball and Sports Associations.

1 Umpire default decision, must be made between both captains on the night, for A grade only.

### **By-Law 3**

No Person(s) or team shall fundraise for this Association to raise money for any matter without the strict written Authority of The committee of The Salisbury 8 Ball & Sports Association Incorporated.

### **By-Law 4**

Disputes:

If a player disagrees with an umpiring decision during a match the following procedures applies:

1. The player should instantly ask the match umpire to stop the game and the umpires must do so before the next playing stroke is played.
2. The match umpire must then converse with the player about his/her disagreement said umpire then will converse with the other umpire and make a decision, if a decision cannot be made then the match umpire must then call an Adjudicator.
3. The Adjudicator will attempt to make a decision based upon all available information, which may include asking the players and captains from both sides for their opinions. However the players or captains must wait to be asked for their opinion.
4. The Adjudicator may make a final binding decision.
5. Harassment of Umpires or Adjudicators at any stage of the aforementioned dispute process is a reportable offence.
6. If no acceptable outcome is achieved, the frame is to be completed and the Captain of the team who was penalized may choose to lodge an "Official Protest". Official Protests must be in written form and sent to the Secretary of the Association within 48 hours of the match completion, detailing all relevant points and providing names of players and Captains concerned. Book must not be signed by Captain. If scores are lodged on via the internet (eg PoolStat) then captain making the complaint is not to fill in password (same as not signing score sheet).

### **By-Law 5**

Score Sheets:

- Poolstats must be used at all times unless Poolstats website is offline or by arrangement with the Committee then books may be used.
- Matches are to be played strictly in the order in which they appear on the Official Poolstats website.
- If scores are lodged on via the internet (eg: PoolStats) then captain to fill in password (same as signing score sheet).

### **By-Law 6**

Forfeits:

- If a team has no players present at the scheduled starting time of 7.30pm, then a 15 minute grace period can be given by mutual agreement between both captains. If by this time no players have arrived to play, that team must forfeit the match. If a team cannot field a team (they have less than 5 players present) at 7.30pm, they may complete an official score sheet, in the knowledge or hope that more players will arrive. A minimum of three (3) players can play a match, maximum 9 frames played only with three (3) players.
- In the event of a team not showing up for a scheduled match without prior notice, the opposing team will be credited with a 9-6 win. The forfeiting team will be penalized 0 -15 loss. Names and signatures of at least 3 players must be on the match results sheet in order to claim the forfeit.

- Captains must inform the Secretary of any planned team forfeits as soon as they become aware of them, or no later than 6pm on the day of the scheduled match.

### **By-Law 7**

Team Registration Fees:

1. Team registration forms for the next season are to be received by the end of the last minor round match of the previous season.
2. Player fees must be paid seven (7) days before the new season has started.
3. Players failing to pay registration fees before the 7 day cut off point, the Player will be disqualified and not be allowed to play until full pay is made and the team financial.

### **By-Law 8**

Match Forfeits:

1. Any team that forfeits 3 Games in any one season will not be eligible for prize money in that season.
2. Any team that forfeits 7 or more games in any one season will not be allowed to play in the next season.
3. Any player from one of these teams (from part 2) may join another team in a new season but only a maximum of two players from a forfeited team shall play in a new team.
4. A letter written to the committee by a team captain to explain a teams forfeited actions can/may be investigated and an outcome of such investigation by the committee shall be given to the team in question.

### **By-Law 9:**

When playing rounds that include doubles games:

- 1: If team A home team only have 4 players frame 5 in every round shall be a forfeit
- 2: If team B the away team only have 4 players then the last frame, Frame A will be moved up to the frame E position.
- 3: In the event of the home team has only 3 players then round one and two are as normal, in the last frame player 3 moves down to game 5. This is allow all 3 players an equal chance of playing.
- 4: In the doubles game either player can break when it's their teams break.
- 5: Doubles, as per (rule K10 Referees (Umpires) Guidance).

As Stated Below:

( talking between partners is allowed from the point 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 partners turn. However, only the player whose turn it is, is allowed to touch the table (rule K10 Referees (Umpires) Guidance).

### **By-Law 10**

- B grade teams to move up to A Grade
- Any team that finishes first on the ladder at the end of a season shall automatically move up to A grade the following season.
- Any team that wins the grand final shall automatically move up to A grade the following season.
- In the event that the same team who finished top of the ladder wins the grand final the runner up shall move up to A grade the following season.
- Bottom two A grade teams at the end of a season shall move down to B grade.
- The committee may by vote on a approval of a different team to move up to A grade, the same applies for teams to move down to B grade. Eg: a team prefers to stay in A grade.