

Somerset County Indoor Bowls Association

COUNTY INDOOR LEAGUE RULES

1. The League is open to all clubs affiliated to the SCIBA.
2. The League will consist of two divisions with promotion and relegation (two up, two down)
3. Each club shall be represented by a team of FOUR rinks all of whom shall be playing members of that club. Members may only play in the League for the club from which they enter national and/or county competitions.
4. The League matches shall be played on a two rinks at home and two rinks away basis and shall conform to the laws of the game as laid down by the EIBA and SCIBA
5. The match shall be played over 21 ends or 4 hours (**including** trial ends) with no extra ends.
Note; The start and finish times must be agreed by both teams from the same timepiece and entered on the score card.
6. All matches shall be played in whites.
7. Scoring shall be as follows;
 - a. 2 points for each winning rink or 1 point for a drawn rink
 - b. 8 points for the winning team or 4 points for each team if the match is drawn.
 - c. Total points for the match – 16.
8. Playing dates and times;
 - a. All matches to be played on Sundays on the date given in the fixture list. (It is acceptable, **where both clubs agree**, for any League game to be played on the Saturday prior to the date in the fixture list or on any other Sunday **before the date given in the fixture list**)
 - b. Where clubs having two or more rinks play each other the matches shall commence by 10 am.
 - c. Where a single rink club is involved, matches shall commence one rink at 10 am and one rink at 2pm, home and away. Note, by agreement between clubs, the two home rinks at a multi-rink club may be played at 10 am.
 - d. In the event of a League fixture clashing with a National Competition then with the agreement of the County Competition Secretary and mutual agreement between both clubs, the fixture may be played before the date given in the fixture list or within 7 days after this date.
9. If a team fails to honour a fixture, 8 points and 40 shots will be awarded to their opponents.
10. A team which fails to play THREE of their fixtures will be withdrawn from the League and all their results will be declared null and void. The results of any matches played will be removed from the League Tables.
11. If one or more rinks fail to play in a League game, 2 points and 10 shots shall be awarded to their opponents for each rink not played
12. All result cards to be signed by each captain and returned to the County Competition Secretary by 1st. Class Post within 48 hours of the match.
13. In any dispute the County Competition Committee will arbitrate and their decision shall be final.
14. The position of a club in the League will be determined by the total number of points obtained from each League match and then, if clubs have an equal number of points, the highest total shot difference.
15. Entry fees shall be decided by the G.P.C.
16. The winning club to hold the trophy for one year and will be responsible for its safe-keeping and the insurance of the trophy.
17. The trophy remains the property of the S.C.I.B.A. and must be returned to the Competition Secretary by the 28th February of each year.