

SOUTHERN TASMANIAN BADMINTON ASSN INC

Pennant By-Laws

(As amended March 2004)

1. A team for a Pennant roster match shall consist of men or women or a combination of men and women, as stipulated for each division. The Match and Tournament Committee reserves the right to adjust team numbers when necessary.

Match Procedure

2. (a) Captains shall enter the names of their team member's first initial and surname of each team member on the score sheet together with the name(s) of their fill-in(s) before commencement of the match.
(b) No alteration of the players names entered on the score sheet will be allowed without the consent of the opposing captain.
3. Captains must play their teams in order of rating for both roster matches and finals matches unless otherwise approved by the Match and Tournament Committee.
4. The order of play shall be as listed on the score sheet unless otherwise agreed upon by the team captains. In the event of a disagreement, the order as listed shall stand.
5. All matches shall commence at 7.30pm or earlier by agreement of both team captains.
6. If a team cannot produce a player or players to ensure the continuity of a match, and if no other games can be played, then the offending team will forfeit the match.
7. If all members of a team are not present to commence a match by 8.00pm, then the offending team will forfeit the match. Note: In the event that neither team is complete, then the team with fewer players present will forfeit.
8. Score sheets, with all details completed, must be left in the score sheet box in the STBA centre on the night of play.

Captain's Duties

9. Teams shall elect a captain, who shall be responsible for:
 - (a) Score sheets – accurately and clearly naming team members, recording scores
 - (b) Signing and deposition in the score sheet box.
 - (c) Ensuring that all team members are registered.
 - (d) Ensuring that all team members adhere to dress regulations.
 - (e) Punctuality of team members
 - (f) Court conduct of team members
 - (g) Ensuring that team members abide by all STBA Pennant By-laws
 - (h) Ensuring that Match and Tournament Committee approval for fill-ins is obtained.

Badminton Attire

10. Players must wear regulation racquet sports attire, which includes non-marking sand-shoes.

Shuttles

11. All shuttles used in matches shall be of a brand approved by the STBA Executive and be purchased from the STBA canteen.

Umpires

12. A captain may demand that the opposing captain replace an umpire because of inefficiency.
13. Players may call for a service judge. When requested to do so, umpires must appoint a service judge immediately.
14. Unless all players are occupied on court playing matches, all matches are to be umpired with each team sharing the task equally. If a team fails to supply an umpire in turn, then that team will forfeit the game points.

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Eligibility of Players

15. All players must be registered members of the STBA.
16. No player registered with one team can play with another team in the same division except fill-ins from category 20 (b)
17. No player shall play in a division lower than the one for which he/she is rated.

Fill-Ins

18. A fill-in is a player who is named to replace a team member prior to the start of a match.
19. All fill-ins must be registered members of the STBA.
20. A fill-in must be:
 - (a) A player from a lower division in the current STBA pennant roster;
OR
 - (b) A player with an STBA provisional or form rating lower than that of the player she/he is replacing.
 - (c) In the case of a bye team, players may use a direct crossover of their respective number, but committee approval must be given in all cases – EXCEPT IN FINALS WHEN APPROVAL MUST BE GIVEN AND RULE 20(B) APPLIES.
21. Fill-ins from category 20(b) must be approved by a member of the Match and Tournament Committee. Such approval must be noted on the score sheet of the team involved.
22. The lowest division may draw fill-ins from the bye team or from category 20(b).
23. No fill-in can play with more than one team in the same division in the one roster week.
24. The penalty for players playing under an assumed name is forfeiture of match points.

Finals

25. In all finals, fill-ins must comply with Pennant by-laws 19 and 20. In exceptional circumstances a team may apply in writing to the Match and Tournament Committee asking for a fill-in to be considered.

Team Draw

26. In the event of a draw in a final the team finishing ahead on the ladder will go through to the next final. In the event of a draw in a grand final, both teams will receive pennants.

Protests

27. Any protests concerning breaches of the Pennant by-laws should be forwarded to the Honorary Secretary within 48 hours of the breach(es) occurring.

Team Names

28. All teams shall submit their proposed team name for the approval of the Executive.

Failure to Comply with Pennant by-laws

29. Failure to comply with the Pennant by-laws will result in the offending team forfeiting match points for the particular match in question, unless otherwise specified in the Pennant By-Laws.
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