

KNOCKOUT RULES & GUIDELINES

Knockouts will be drawn after each round, copies of the draws will no longer be circulated to individual venues except for the first round which will be circulated with the league fixtures at the start of the season. Copies of the draws will be sent via email, and posted on the league website www.lincolnpool.co.uk and social media pages.

ARRANGING MATCHES

The onus is on both parties to make contact to arrange the match, and the home players who must supply 3 match dates, not all dates can be in the same week and only one can be a weekend.

HOME PLAYERS PLEASE NOTE THAT TELEPHONING VENUES AND ASKING FOR OPPONENTS DOES NOT CONSTITUTE CONTACT. PLEASE LEAVE MATCH DATES AND CONTACT DETAILS IN WRITING OR CONTACT OPPONENTS DIRECTLY.

The home players are responsible for the availability and cost of the Home match table.

In all knockout competitions players entering from a venue with a 6'x3' table will automatically be drawn away. In the interest of sportsmanship please be tolerant towards players who may work shifts, play on another night or be on holidays during the season. In exceptional circumstances it may be possible for an extension to be granted beyond the closing date. However, no extensions will be granted 7 days or less prior to the closing date.

SINGLES & SCOTCH DOUBLES KNOCKOUT COMPETITIONS

All Singles & Scotch Doubles matches are best of 5 frames up to the semi-finals, and finals are best of 7 frames. All World Rules Singles matches are best of 7 frames, semi finals are 9 frames, and the Final best of 11 frames. Toss of coin for first break, or lag if both players prefer, alternate breaks thereafter. In Scotch doubles both players must alternate breaks, the same player cannot break every time.

TEAM KNOCKOUT

Matches best of 7 frames, consisting of 4 singles, 2 scotch doubles and a 4 man scotch team frame. (Scotch doubles & team frames involve all players taking 1 shot each (not visit) in turn. I.e. Player 1 takes a shot, if he pots a ball player 2 takes a shot, and so on)

Teams may play a minimum of 4 and a maximum of 12 registered players.

Away team to fill out result sheet first, once completed player names and order cannot be altered.

Toss of coin for first break, or lag if both players prefer, alternate breaks thereafter.

Players may not coach or advise the player at the table, except following the break off prior to the 1st visit players may confer which colour to choose, and players may confer whilst not at the table as per league rule 11. New player registrations accepted as per current league rules, and subject to players not having been registered or played for another team or expelled from the league. No player transfers from other teams allowed.

A SMALL NUMBER OF BYES MAY BE FILLED SUBJECT TO LATE ENTRIES & PRINTING ERRORS OR OMISSIONS. ALL LATE ENTRIES WILL BE DRAWN AWAY & WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR CONTACTING OPPONENTS

RESULTS & CLAIMS

Results are the responsibility of the winning players and can be submitted in either of 2 options

1. By text to 07765 662647, detailing the players names, competition, and final score
2. By email kosecretary@lincolnpool.co.uk (Team KO matches please send legible copy of result sheet)

Claims must be made in writing via email or text by the non offending player stating the reason why the match is being claimed and giving as much supporting facts and evidence as possible i.e. dates and times of contact, when and with whom messages left, no contact made etc, etc.

All results and claims must be received by the closing date & time stated on the Knockout draw sheets.

Failure to submit results or claims before the closing date will result in automatic elimination of both parties.

If both parties claim a match the committee will decide the outcome and may set a date & time on which the match must be played, failure to attend by either party would result in elimination. Players must comply with all the above guidelines when submitting a claim. The committee's decision in all matters is final.

FINALS OF KNOCKOUT COMPETITIONS WILL BE PLAYED AT DESIGNATED VENUES AT COMMITTEE'S DISCRETION ALL KO COMPETITIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE THE LEAGUE PRESENTATION EVENING

ANY PLAYERS EXPELLED FROM THE LEAGUE WILL BE WITHDRAWN FROM ALL KO COMPETITIONS