

TRENT TROPHIES POOL LEAGUE (Constitution 2019)

- 1) Any form of dispute will be settled by the governing committee, their decision being final. All disputes must be made to Mr Tony Latham within 24hrs of their occurrence, followed in writing via letter or email within 7 days.
- 2) League registration fees are £80, and must be paid in full within three months of the league commencement date, Player registration is £5 per player which should be paid at end of June.
- 3) Should any team be unable to field a full side, a minimum of three players may be kept at home for the fixture to take place, if you have four players you may send 2 away and play two at home at the captains discretion etc, failure to field a side is an automatic £10 fine.
- 4) You may continue to sign players (even on the night) until the end of June but you must text their name through to Tony Latham, before they lift a cue, Tony has the option to refuse a signing if he feels the player is too good to play in that division, Players are only allowed to sign for one team per season unless a transfer is agreed which costs £10.
- 5) All matches to start at 8.15, should a team arrive after 8.30 the home team then has the option to claim the game 9.0 at the home venue.
- 6) the away teams breaks first at all venues, then alternate breaks, in cup matches the first drawn player lags off to determine the break order.
- 7) Referees, the away team should provide the referee for the first frame, then alternate refs throughout, in general the referees decision is deemed final, unless both players disagree with the decision in which case the decision is automatically overruled.
- 8) Result cards must be handed in at each meeting, correctly filled in with full details, Failure to comply will result in a £1 fine for each missing match card.
- 9) Delegates/Landlords merits will be held once yearly as a knock out event. No county or county standard players can enter this event and Delegates should attend 50% of meetings.
- 10) MERITS - All merits must take place at the stipulated venue, on or before the given date. if this is not possible the committee may allow a later date but only under extreme circumstances. No County / seeded players are allowed to enter the sub merits competitions.
Merits (No Show) - it is your responsibility to contact your opponent if you are not intending to turn up. in the event of a no show where your opponent has turned up at the venue, a £10 fine will be imposed and you will be banned from the league with immediate effect until paid - your opponent will be awarded both the match and the £10
- 11) MERITS - in both singles and doubles merits a seeded list will appear on website, no county standard or seeded players are allowed in the sub merits competitions. Seeded players will be kept apart in all first round draws. All players that win in the first round will continue in the main merits competitions and all losers (barring seeded losers) will continue in the sub merits competitions.
- 12) DOUBLE MERITS - will be played under scotch doubles format, signed players do not have to be signed for the same team to create a double partnership, if a player is banned / suspended from the league during the course of the competition you may replace that player with another player that has not entered the comp, No talking during shots once in play.
- 13) Teams level on points - The head to head results between the teams will decide the outcome, if however the teams still cannot be separated then a playoff must take place, this also applies in the sub leagues.

- 14) Transfers will be allowed if both teams agree, the committee under certain circumstances may still approve a transfer if agreement between the teams cannot be reached - Transfer fee £10
- 15) Results - all full match results must be texted to Tony on 07766 200 221 on the night of the match before 12.00pm, failure to do so will result in a £2 fine.
- 16) All clubs must pay £2 at each league meeting for the monthly league draw. 3 x £10 will be paid out in prize money, the balance will go into the league funds to cover photocopying costs.
- 17) Any team / signed player found to be owing the league £50 or more or bringing the league into disrepute, will be suspended, All clubs are responsible for their players conduct.
- 18) All teams are required to provide a prize for the annual presentation evening raffle.
- 19) MEETINGS - held monthly - Delegates should stay for the duration of the meeting, if a pub / club has more than one team in the league, one person may represent them as long as draw money is paid. Only two apologies are allowed per season after that £10 meeting fine applies.
- 20) Any team failing to field a team in the first round of a cup competition will automatically be eliminated from the sub cups.
- 21) Eight ball clearance - Only on a players first visit to the table, as long as all fifteen balls are on the table will an eight ball clearance be accepted. Eight balls will only qualify in league and cup matches, and not in merits. Eight balls will only be given out to players who have achieved four or more, or to a player achieving their first eight ball.
- 22) All music / Tv's must be kept to a reasonable level, or the visiting captain may request the volume to be lowered, if the request is refused the captain can refuse to play the match.
- 23) Cancellation of matches, No matches are to be cancelled for any reason, failure to fulfil a fixture will result in the offending team forfeiting the match 12.6 and may be fined £10. Teams who's venues are affected by football matches, may move the fixture to another venue, and inform their opponents of the change.
- 24) Handicap six competitions ... The lower seeded team has all the breaks. However if nothing is potted from the break, the lower seeded player nominates a choice of colour before sitting down. if the white ball is potted from the break, the lower seeded player still nominates their choice of colour. A serious foul break (Ball off the table or four balls not hitting a cushion) would result in the player losing their right to nominate choice of colour.
- 25) All signed players must reside in Staffordshire / Cheshire
- 26) Any team entering our league must meet the following requirements, Their venue must be licensed and hold full public liability insurance, Also it is the responsibility of the licensee / pool team to ensure that food is provided at the home venue.
- 27) In pubs / clubs that have more than one table, No practicing allowed once the match commences.
- 28) All cup finals and play off matches will be played (superleague format) on two tables and the best of 18 frames, if a match goes level at 9-9 the captain nominates three players to play a sudden death play off on three tables.