

BENDIGO SQUASH CLUB INC.

GENERAL PENNANT BY-LAWS

1. INTERPRETATION OF BY-LAWS.

The Pennant Committee is responsible for the interpretations of the By-Laws. However, the General Committee is the final authority for such interpretation.

2. PENALTIES FOR BREACH OF BY-LAWS

3. PROCEDURE FOR PROTESTS ALLEGING BREACHES OF BY-LAWS

All protests are to be in writing and left at the Centre for the Committee to attend.

4. FINES/PENALTIES

Late Arrivals – As per World Squash Federation.

5. RULES AND ETIQUETTE OF THE GAME

Matches shall be played under the rules of the games of Squash as determined by the World Squash Federation, the interpretation of which shall rest with the Pennant Committee unless otherwise indicated by these by-laws. Players shall observe the etiquette of the game and refrain from unseemly or improper behaviour on and off the court while present in the Bendigo Squash Centre.

6. FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS

All pennant players must be financial members of the Bendigo Squash Club Inc
Pennant Fees can be paid in full (with discount) at the beginning of the pennant or weekly.
Pennant players are responsible for the court hire fee if not present on their pennant night. The Substitute is not responsible for payment of the fee.

7. DUTIES OF PLAYERS

All players must act as referee or marker for a game played by another member of their team, and if not playing in the finals must score or referee for either Semi-final, preliminary final or grand final.

8. ACCEPTANCE OF ENTRIES

In submitting an entry, players must have regard to their commitment to their team for the duration of the pennant. Acceptance of entries could be based on the player's attendance during previous pennants. Entrants who have not played pennant, or who are not currently graded with the club will be required to attend at least two club nights to be graded.

9. FORMAT OF TEAMS

Teams will consist of men and women. Team grading will be based on pennant results and shall be selected on ability. Teams consist of 4 players.

10. EXEMPTIONS

Players must be on time and ready to play at the starting time. Players may ask for Late or Early Exemptions but requests must be fair and reasonable to their team and their opposition.

11. **ORDER OF PLAY**

Order of play is determined by the Pennant computer program. It is a random selection of the order of play. All matches must be played on the pennant night. Exceptions are when Pennant is played during School Holidays and Public Holidays when matches can be played before the date of the scheduled match.

12. **JUNIOR PENNANT PLAYERS**

All players aged 19 years and under must wear Eye Protection. Matches should not commence unless the Junior Player is wearing Eye Protection.

13. **SUBSTITUTE PLAYERS**

Substitute players must be financial members of the Bendigo Squash Club Inc. Substitute players are requested to score or referee a rubber.

14. **SCORING**

For Autumn, Winter and Spring Pennants the Rubbers are best of five games with points scored when serving to 9 points. Summer Pennant is best of 5 games with every rally scoring a point to 15 points.

Winning teams score two (2) points for a win and one (1) point for every rubber won, and losing team scores one (1) point for every rubber won. Teams with a draw score 3 points. Teams with a Bye score 3 points.

15. **FINALS**

The top four teams play in the final series. The finals will be played over two weeks. All grades Semi Finals will be played on Monday night and Preliminary finals played on Wednesday of the first week. The grand finals will be played on Tuesday of the second week.

16. **DRAW IN FINALS SERIES**

In the event of a draw (i.e. equal rubbers, games and points) in the semi-finals, preliminary finals or grand finals, the same players who played the final rubber will play one deciding game after a 15 minutes break. The team that wins the deciding game is the winner of the match.

17. **BEST TEAM MEMBER**

Every Pennant match, each team will be required to vote for a member of the opposing team they deem as the Best Team Member. It is selected on the way they conduct themselves during the pennant match. It is not necessarily on their squash ability.