

# TAC Squash League Rules

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## **1. Leagues**

- Leagues are open to all adult TAC members, male and female. Juniors under the age of 16 will require special permission of the squash committee.
- League matches occur over a 1 session period (usually 6 weeks)
- Each league box to consist of at least 3 players.
- Players are ranked according to the results of the previous session.

- At the end of a session a tie in points is resolved by the following in descending order of precedence:

- i) Head to head results
- ii) Current league rankings

## **2. Points**

- 1 point awarded for turning up
- 1 point awarded for a game
- 1 point awarded for a match win

## **3. Promotions**

At the end of a session the top 2 players are promoted. This is modified in the following circumstances:

- Each successful challenge in the league box above reduces the number of promoted players by one.
  
- Additional players may be promoted if the number of players in the league box above falls to below 6 (owing to dropouts). This will only apply if the number of players remaining in the current league box is greater than at least 3.

## **4. Relegations**

At the end of a session the bottom 2 players are demoted. This is modified in the following circumstances:

- Additional players may be demoted if the number of players in the current league box exceeds 6 owing to successful challenges.

- Fewer players may be demoted if the number of players in the current league box falls below 6 owing to dropouts.

- Additional players may be demoted if the number of players in the league box below falls below 3 owing to dropouts etc.

### **5. Challenges by players within leagues**

If a player makes 2 successful challenges (to players in the same league box) up to 2 league boxes above their current league box then they will be promoted in the next session to the box at which they challenged at. However, they must play at least 3 matches in their current league box.

### **6. Challenges from members wishing to join the leagues**

- New members, or those returning from injury, may apply to join the leagues by winning at least 2 challenge matches (against different opponents) in a given league box.

- Advice on where to challenge in the leagues can be obtained at the following points of reference:

i) Club nights,

ii) Club squash coaches

iii) The squash committee (via the Rec Desk).

- The number of challenge matches is not limited.

- In cases where less than 2 challenge victories were recorded then discretion will be exercised by the Committee about where to insert the challenger player for the next session.

## **7. Disputes**

The Squash Committee will be the final arbiter in the cases of any disputes.