

CENTRAL WESTERN INTERCLUB COMPETITION 2018

Rules/Guidelines for 2018

- 1) All players must be on the Squash NZ Grading List, unless a team will not be able to field a complete team. The team intending to use an ungraded player must make communication with the opposing captain **prior to the round** to confirm this. The team using the ungraded player effectively 'Defaults the match' for the round. The ungraded player must play at 5 unless both captains agree. If an ungraded player does play, the Interclub points for the match will go to the graded player when the results are entered as B Defaulted 15/0 15/0 15/0 or A Defaulted 0/15 0/15 0/15. Defaults through injury are different - these will count as a Played match. Enter the score on the Result Sheet and in iSquash as Played. If Player A is up 15-12, 15-10 and 4-2 but has to retire, then the final score will be written as 15-12, 15-10, 4-15, 0-15, 0-15 to Player B.
- 2) All players are encouraged to pass the Squash NZ online Club Referee exam before their respective competition starts. www.nzsquash.co.nz/survey/training.cfm. Rules & Referee nights are also available through Squash Southland – please contact Bruce at bruce@squashsouthland.co.nz
- 3) There are no restrictions on B Grade ladies being named in teams.
- 4) Team playing positions will be determined by the current grading list and the home team must complete the score sheet prior to the opposing team. Any changes are to be made by mutual consent between teams playing.
- 5) To ensure games are completed in a timely fashion, teams are expected to arrive at 7.15pm so that play can begin no later than 7.30pm. Players must be changed and ready to go. Teams are to ensure no more than 5 minutes of warm up prior to match start and that umpires/referees ensure no more than 90 seconds between games. If available, a second court may be used by those wanting a longer warm up.
- 6) It will be at both teams' discretion if they wish to commence play earlier e.g. 7.00pm, or if they wish to use both courts [if available] to complete games as early as possible. This needs to be communicated between teams prior to competition night.
- 7) All teams are asked to serve supper as reasonably as possible after the finish of the last game.
- 8) **Each week the opposing team captain must make contact with the home captain to notify them of reserves being used and strength/weakness of team to try and ensure that as reasonably as possible teams are matched up. We all need to remain flexible on this as not all clubs will have the available players to make perfect matches. As well as this, clubs need to ensure that all their players are getting game time.**
- 9) Yellow Dot balls are to be Dunlop balls only, supplied by the home team. Other grades of balls [e.g. Prince blue dot] may be used at the players' discretion. It is encouraged that alternative balls be used for lower grades, to help provide a better quality of game.
- 10) If games have to be postponed due to inclement weather, these need to be caught up before the end of the competition. If they are not or a time cannot be agreed on by both team captains, then there will be no result entered.
- 11) All winning team captains are to enter their own results onto iSquash ASAP after their game. All Result Sheets are to be kept until the end of the season in case of any disputes.
- 12) Players can play twice for the same team in one night but they MUST PLAY UP, ie – Number 3 can also play at 2 but not at 4.
- 13) The men will play a full round robin competition with a Semi Final and Final to follow. The women will be split into Pools based on overall entries and then split into new Divisions after the first round, followed by Semi Finals and Finals for each Division.
- 14) For Semi Finals and Finals, all replacement players must be of equal or lower points than the person they are replacing.
- 15) The format for Semi Finals will be 1 v 4 and 2 v 3 from the final Round Robin standings. The higher seeded teams will be the Home teams and will provide supper. The winners of the Semi Finals will play in the Final, with the higher seed being the Home team and providing supper. Finals will be played on Saturday, August 4.

If there are any issues entering your results on iSquash please contact Bruce at Squash Southland – bruce@squashsouthland.co.nz or 027 319 4169