

ILT WOMEN'S INTERCLUB COMPETITION RULES 2021

- 1) All players must be on the Squash NZ Grading List.
- 2) Defaults through injury 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 on the Result Sheet and in iSquash as 15-12, 15-10, 4-15, 0-15, 0-15
- 3) There are no restrictions on B Grade ladies being named in Division 1 teams.
- 4) Team playing positions will be determined by the Grading List on the day of play. If 2 players are on equal points then the team captain can determine their playing order. Any changes to the team order are to be made by mutual consent between the teams playing – prior to the start of the tie.
- 5) To ensure that games are completed in a timely fashion, teams are expected to arrive so that play can begin no later than the scheduled start time. The next player on court should be changed and ready to start as soon as the previous match finishes. The referee and scorer are to ensure that the warm up prior to each match is 4mins and that the break between sets is 90 seconds. 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 than the scheduled start time, 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 the night of play.
- 7) All teams are asked to serve supper as reasonably as possible after the finish of the last match.
- 8) During the Round Robin competition a reserve player in a team cannot be more than 150 points above the player they are replacing on that particular day. All efforts should be made to field a team of 4 players but when this is not possible, to avoid defaulted matches, team members can play more than once in a tie but MUST play up [a number 3 can play at 2 but not at 4] and MUST notify the opposition BEFORE the scheduled start time. If a team arrives with less than 4 players and has not notified the opposing team captain, any uncontested matches will be DEFAULTS. Squash Southland will provide a list of players who have made themselves available as Reserves.
- 9) If a suitable reserve cannot be found, the team may default that match and DOES NOT have to move the remaining players up. [The team captains can agree to terms outside of these before the tie begins]. All efforts should be made to play with a full team. The team captain MUST notify the opposing captain before the start of play if any games are to be defaulted.

- 10) The Organiser [Squash Southland] will set up a Disputes' Committee, which will adjudicate over any disputes arising during the competition. This Committee will be made up of one person from each club with a team entered in the competition [club reps must not be a current Squash Southland Board member]. The representatives from the clubs involved in a dispute will not vote. In the event of a split vote, the Squash Southland Board will determine the outcome.
- 11) Yellow Dot balls are to be Dunlop balls only, supplied by the home team. Other balls [e.g. Prince blue dot] may be used at the players' discretion. It is encouraged that blue or white dot balls be used for lower grades, to help provide a better quality of game.
- 12) If games have to be postponed due to inclement weather, these need to be caught up before the end of the competition.
- 13) All winning team captains are to enter their own results onto iSquash before 10pm on the Thursday after the tie. All Result Sheets are to be kept until the end of the season in case of any disputes.
- 14) All matches will be PAR 15 [win by 2] and best of 5 sets. All matches shall be played according to the 2020 WSF Singles Rules and be adjudicated by a referee and a marker.
- 15) The winner of a tie is the team which wins the most matches. If matches won are even, then sets won are counted. If this is even then points won are counted. The winning team receives 2 bonus points. In the event of an overall draw, both teams will receive 1 bonus point.
- 16) Division 1 will play 4 x Round Robin. After the July 27 Round, if 2 teams are tied on points then the team that won 3 out of the 4 ties between those teams will be the higher seed for the Semi Finals. If there is still a tie then, in order, the total number of matches won in the ties between those 2 teams will be counted to determine the higher seed, followed by set wins and if needed, total points won. If 3 or more teams are tied on points then total matches won in the ties between those teams will determine the seedings, followed by total sets won and total points won if needed.

Division 2 will play 3 x Round Robin. After the July 27 Round, if 2 teams are on equal points then the team that won 2 out of the 3 ties between those teams will be seeded higher for the Semi Finals. If the ties were split [1 win each and a draw] then the total match wins between the 2 teams will be counted, followed by set wins and if needed, total points won. If 3 or more teams are tied on points then total matches won in the ties between those teams will determine the seedings, followed by total sets won and total points won if needed.
- 17) Due to more players becoming available for Semi-Finals and Finals, in both Divisions, any player from the originally listed 4 may be replaced by another player on equal or lower points. Any other changes MUST have approval from the opposing team captain before the tie commences. If an agreement cannot be reached, then the decision can be referred to the Disputes' Committee which will make a binding decision.

- 18) The format for Semi Finals will be 1 v 4 and 2 v 3 from the final Round Robin standings. The lower seeded team must win the tie outright to advance. The higher seeded teams will be the Home teams and will provide supper. The winners of the Semi Finals will play in the Finals at Squash City on Saturday, August 7 alongside the ILT Southland Wide Interclub Finals. If Team 4 beats Team 1 in the 1v4 Semi, they will become the top seeded team for the Final. If there is an overall draw in the FINAL, the higher seeded team will win the trophy. Squash Southland will provide supper.
- 19) ALL FINALS WILL BE PLAYED AT SQUASH CITY. The Finals are scheduled to be held on Saturday, August 7, 2021. Any teams unavailable to play Semi Finals or on Finals' Day will be defaulted and the next ranked available team will be brought in.
- 20) All matches must be played in the spirit of the game.
- 21) In the event of a protest/dispute, DO NOT SIGN THE RESULT SHEET. Send the result sheet to bruce@squashsouthland.co.nz marking the result as a dispute and give a reason why. DO NOT enter the results into iSquash. All disputes will be passed on to the Disputes' Committee. Teams will have 24 hours to notify Squash Southland of a dispute.

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

