



Procedural Policies Part 3

Federation Organised and Conducted Leagues

1. Definitions

Competition – All league competition play and singles championships.

Competition Winter – League competition conducted from March to October.

Competition Summer – League competition conducted from November to March.

Leagues – Groups of divisions playing competition team eight ball or associated games.

Divisions – Groups of member players formed to compete in a graded division.

Teams – a group of member players formed to compete in a graded division.

Players/Members – Persons who join a team to play competition eight ball or associated games in a league or non-playing persons such as umpires.

Match – contest between two teams played on 2 tables

Frame – contest between two players

Fixtures – a round of home and away matches drawn for the duration of the league competition

Ladder – a list of team placings after a completed week of Matches


Nomination Fee – a fee charged for nominating a team to play in a League or an individual fee charged to enter a tournament.

2. Requirements for Competition

2.1 Hotels, Taverns, Clubs and Venues for competition eight ball are required to have an 11:30pm license for competition nights.

2.2 To enter Federation league competition, venues must have at least two 7'x 3'x '6" pool tables maintained to a reasonable level and acceptable overhead lighting.

2.3 To enter Federation league competition for other associated games one table may be sufficient.



2.4 Venues are required to open tables for competition play by 7:15pm on competition nights.

2.5 Venues are required to provide a light supper at completion of the competition.

2.6 Venues are required to have good overhead lighting above the pool tables.

3. Winter Competition

3.1 Team Numbers

Teams competing in Federation league have a minimum of 6 players per team. Superleague have a minimum of 5 players per team.

3.2 Dress Code

Superleague – Black slacks, black shoes and team collared shirt.

Divisional – long pants/jeans/trackies, covered shoes, collared shirt. No shorts thongs etc

3.3 Divisions

- a) Superleague – the highest grade available. Played over entire metropolitan area. Played on Tuesday Nights on two tables.
- b) Premier Division – played on Thursday nights at Federation Head Quarters on two tables
- c) First division – played over entire metropolitan area on Wednesday nights on two tables
Second division – played in separate North and South divisions on Wednesday nights on two tables
- d) Third division – Played in separate North and South divisions on Monday nights on two tables
- e) All other divisions played where and whereas required

3.4 Format for Matches

In each match, there will be 5 rounds of 6 singles played, totally 30 frames.

Teams are permitted a maximum of 3 interchange players who may be interchanged into the match after round one. Players cannot be substituted in and out in the same round.

Superleague plays 5 rounds of 5 singles totally 25 frames.

3.5 Playing Rules

The rules played are those of the World Eight Ball Pool Federation as licenced only to the West Australian Eight Ball Federation in WA.

- a) First Division – 7:30pm
- b) Second Division – 7:30pm
- c) Third Division – 7:30pm

3.6 Breaking the Balls

The break on each table decided by the asterisk on the scoresheet, whereby that player breaks.

Once a frame is completed the next player listed plays on the vacant table.

3.7 Umpiring

It is compulsory to use an Umpire on each table. The Home team umpires on table 1 and the Away Team Umpires on table 2 for the duration of the match.

Any team refusing to supply umpires in a league match when requested to do so by the opposition, if reported to the Federation and so proved, will be subjected to the following penalties:

Loss of all frames won

\$100 fine imposed

All teams competing in Perth Pool league competition are required to have at least one **qualified umpire** in their team for all matches during the season. It is the responsibility of teams to send members to Umpires Schools for qualifications.

3.8 Grading of Teams

3.8.1 All players are individually graded under a points system and the total of points of the highest 6 players will determine the grade your team is placed in.

3.8.2 Superleague – 450 – 500 points

3.8.3 Premier Division – 481 – 540 points

3.8.4 First Division – 421 – 480 points

3.8.5 Second Division – 361 – 420 points

3.8.6 Third Division – Maximum of 360 points

3.8.7 Fourth Division – Maximum of 300 points

See grading under item 5

3.9 Premier Points and Percentage

3.9.1 Winning team will be awarded 2 points

3.9.2 Drawn Match will result in 1 point awarded to each team.

3.9.3 Percentage is calculated for each team via: total frames won divided by total frames played multiplied by 100

3.9.4 Ladders are circulated each week by email and posted on the website.

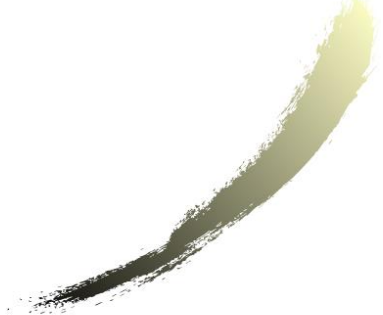
3.9.5 Individual player averages are posted on the website.

3.9.6 Forfeits

When a team forfeits in Superleague division the winning team receive 13-0 win.

When a team forfeits in first, second and third divisions the winning team receives 16-0 win.

Individuals in the winning team are awarded qualifying frames only and not statistical wins to their averages.



Teams who forfeit are liable for the match fees of the other because the winning team has not played in the match that was charged for by the Federation due to the forfeit.

3.10 Results

It is the responsibility of the home team to use "POOLSTAT" as the vehicle for scoring of all home matches and attend TUTORIAL to learn the scoring system in which case the home team provides the equipment to score online.

3.11 Player Clearances

From One Club to Another

- 3.11.1 Players are permitted to change from one club to another after a season is completed providing they are financial with their former club.
- 3.11.2 Players are permitted to change from one club to another during the Winter Competition season up until the halfway mark of the season, provided they are financial with their former club. Player must receive a written letter from their former club stating the player is cleared to play and pass the letter to his/her new club. A copy of which is to be forwarded to the registrar with the next match score sheet.
- 3.11.3 Players denied a clearance will have the right to appeal to the Federation Committee for a decision.

3.12 Player Movement between League Teams


- 3.12.1 Players are permitted to move between teams within their club providing:
 - a) They do not breach player grading rules
 - b) They do not take the total teams points over the team limit
 - c) Where a club has 2 teams in the same division, once a player has played 4 matches in one team he/she cannot play in the other team.
- 3.12.2 Players do not need permission or clearances to play in other leagues eg Superleague and First division are played on different nights.

3.13 Finals Format

- 3.13.1 Qualifying for Finals
To qualify to play in a final, a player must have competed in 33.33% of available frames during the Winter Season in that grade or lower grade for that club. Players who have played 33.33% of available frames for a lower division team in their club can play in a higher division team final for their club.

Exemptions

Where a plyer plays for a club team on Mondays and a different club on a Wednesday they do not qualify for the Monday's club's Wednesday's team.



3.13.2 Where divisions are:

More than 12 teams – A top 8 finals series is played

12 Teams – a top 6 finals series is played

10 teams – a top 5 finals series is played

8 teams and less – a top 4 finals series is played

Where 2 or more teams finish the home and away season on equal points and percentage and a split is required to decide placings, a play-off between the said teams is required before finals commence to finalise positions on the ladder.

3.13.3 Draws in Finals

In the event of a draw, two simultaneous singles frames are to be played. Only players who competed in that final are eligible to play. If the fixture remains drawn a third singles frame is to be played on the first table finished with a different player from the previous 2 players. Captains list 3 players in order to play prior to play-off. The point's tally of the 3 players selected must not exceed half of the maximum tally allowable in any given round for that division.

Eg first division round maximum = 480 points, draw playoff = 240 points maximum. Breaches incur loss of frame.

3.14.4 Pennants & Trophies – Presented at the Presentation Function

a) Team finishing on Top – pennant and prize money

b) Team finishing second – Pennant and prize money

c) Premiers – pennant and prizemoney

d) Runners up premiers – pennant and prize money

Individual awards are presented for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd highest averages in the grading group. le) super league, B graded, C graded

Prize monies are paid to teams & individuals once they have provided banking details to the Federation and the funds available for payment.

3.15.5 Finals Venues

Venues for finals are decided by the League Sub-Committee or Division coordinator.

3.14 Protests and Disputes

Where a breach of these rules has occurred during a Match that may affected the result:

3.14.1 Captains are to stop the frame and attempt to come to an agreeable outcome.

a) This may result in a replay of the frame.

b) The frame continues

c) The frame is awarded to the non-offending player.

3.14.2 If no acceptable outcome is achieved, the frame is to be completed and the captain of the team who was penalised may choose to lodge an "Official

Protest".

3.14.3 Official Protests must be in written form and sent to the Secretary of the Federation within 48 hours of the match completion, detailing all relevant points and providing names of players and captains concerned.

3.14.4 No protests will be heard where no umpires have been used in the match.

3.14.5 Hearing the Protest

The leagues subcommittee of the Federation will hear the protest before both parties at a time and place advised by the Secretary. The decision of the leagues sub-committee is not final and an appeal may be lodged with the executive committee of the Federation within 7 days of the decision.

3.14.6 Protest Appeal

The Appeal will be adjudicated on by Executive Board of the Federation at a time and place advised by the secretary. The executive decision is final.

4. Summer Competition

4.1 Format

Played with a minimum of 6 players and comprising 5 rounds of 6 singles totalling 30 frames.

4.1.1 Dress Codes

Neat dress required. Shorts and open footwear permitted.

4.1.2 Season Length

Played from November until early March usually in divisions of 8 teams and comprising one round plus 3 weeks of finals.

- a) Divisions – same as 3.3
- b) Playing rules – same as 3.5
- c) Starting times – same as 3.5
- d) Breaking the balls – same as 3.6
- e) Umpiring – same as 3.7
- f) Grading of teams – same as 3.8
- g) Premiership points and Percentage – same as 3.9
- h) Results – same as 3.10
- i) Player Clearances – From one club to another – same as 3.11
No player clearances between clubs during Summer Competition

4.1.3 Player movement between teams – same as 3.12

except c) where a club has 2 teams in the same division, once a player has played in a match for one team he/she cannot play for the other team.

4.1.4 Finals Format – same as 3.13 except: To qualify to play in a final, a player must have played 1/3rd of available frames during the Summer Season in that grade or lower grade for that club. Players who have played 1/3rd of available frames for a lower division can play in a higher division team final for their club.

4.1.5 Protests and disputes – same as 3.14

5. Grading System

Implemented to guarantee the evenness of divisional eight ball leagues by team grading via **performance based individual grading**.

5.1 Grading points

5.1.1 To receive grading points a player must play at least one third of the Winter Competition

5.1.2 Players who only play Summer Competition can be allocated Grading Points on their Summer Competition results at the discretion of the Board.

5.1.3 Players who have never previously been allocated Grading points will be allocated Temporary Grading Points as soon as they play their first match. Temporary Grading Points will be allocated as follows:

- a) Third Division: 55 Temporary Points
- b) Second Division: 65 Temporary Points
- c) First Division: 75 Temporary Points
- d) Premier Division: 85 Temporary Points
- e) Superleague: 95 Temporary Points

5.1.4 Where a temporary graded player plays in a division higher than the one where they were given temporary points for, their points increase to that divisions temporary points amount. If that player then proceeds to play at least one third of the Winter Competition, their temporary grading points will be replaced at the end of the season by grading points calculated as 5.1.5 as below.

5.1.5 At season end players will be allocated grading points by converting their win/loss percentage into points and adding further points as follows:

- a) Third Division A: Win/Loss percentage minus 10 points
Third Division B: Win/Loss percentage minus 10 points
- b) Second Division: Win/Loss percentage plus 10 points
- c) First Division: Win/Loss percentage plus 20 points
- d) Premier Division: Win/Loss percentage plus 30 points

- e) Superleague: Win/Loss percentage plus points calculated as follows;

The win/loss percentages of all players who play at least 20 frames in both Superleague and First division will be compared and the points added will be the amalgamated total win/loss percentage in First Division minus the amalgamated total win/loss percentage in Superleague.

Where players have played in more than one division in a season, their points will be calculated from the highest division they played.

When a temporary point's player plays 30 frames or more in Summer League, they will be graded according to their percentage plus division points.

When a temporary points player plays between 20 and 29 frames in Summer League, they will be temporary point graded at their percentage plus division points.

Temporary graded players who do not play 20 frames in Summer Leagues will retain their temporary points for the next season unless they play in a higher division.

5.2 Individual Grading

5.2.1 Players who are known to the grading committee and come from interstate or other leagues will be assessed by the grading committee prior to competing in the leagues or upon beginning to compete in the leagues and allocated an individual grading at the committees discretion.

5.2.2 The individual grading of a player who has been allocated grading points in one season only will be equal to those grading points.

5.2.3 The individual grading of a player who has been allocated grading points in two seasons only will be the average of those two grading points.

5.2.4 The individual grading of a player who has been allocated grading points in three or more seasons will be the average of the two years where the highest points were allocated in the three most recent seasons where grading points were allocated.

5.3 Team Gradings

Teams will be graded into divisions according to their **highest six player's points tally**. In each fixture match round of singles, the team cannot exceed the maximum points allocated for that division.

Superleague – Top 5 players

5.3.1 Team Maximum Points

- a) Superleague – minimum 450, maximum 500 points
- b) Premier Division – 540 points
- c) First Division – 480 points
- d) Second Division – 420 points
- e) Third division- 360 points

5.4 A, B & C Class Lists

Player's individual points will rank them into one of three areas. These areas will determine whether players are too highly graded to compete in lower divisions.

5.4.1 "A" Class List – 90 points and above

"B" Class List – 70 -89 points

"C" Class list – 0 – 69 points

5.4.2 Restrictions

Players rated 90 points or more are not permitted to play in Second or Third divisions.

Players rated 80 points or more are not permitted to play in Third division or lower.

5.5 Unforeseen Circumstances

If an incident arises that does not appear to be covered by these Grading Policies, an approach to the grading committee will determine the outcome.

6. Divisional Singles Championships

6.1 Divisional singles championships will be played in six categories.

- a) "A" graded singles – open to all players
- b) "B" graded singles – open to all players graded with a maximum of 89 points
- c) "C" graded singles – open to all players graded with a maximum of 69 points
- d) 3rd division singles – open to all third division players
- e) 2nd division singles – open to all second division players
- f) 1st division singles – open to all first division players
- g) Superleague singles – open to all superleague players

6.2 Format

Played as 'Best of' knock out competition at a time and place advised by the Board. Board will decide on the entry fee for these events.

7. Member Behaviour

At any league match venue, competition, tournament, meeting or function organised by the Federation.

7.1 Any member or members who are involved in behaviour not considered to be in the best interest of the Federation

may be reported.

7.2 The report must be in writing and signed by a Federation Official or Member

7.3 The report must be lodged with the Federation Secretary within 48 hours of the alleged offence.

7.4 The Federation Board will hear the report before the members and or persons involved.

7.5 The Federation must give all members and or persons involved one weeks' notice of the hearing.

7.6 The hearing will be conducted at a time and place decided by the Federation Board.

7.7 The Federation Board may dismiss the report, give a reprimand, impose a period of good behaviour, fine or suspend the offender/s and apply any penalties allowed under the Constitution and Procedural Policies.

8. Membership

To become a member of the Federation players are required to complete a membership form via playing in a league team. The form must be forwarded on the night of the match or earlier to the Federation email address.

Membership forms can be filled in via the WAEBF website, if a player wishes to do an online form then the timeframe of when it needs to be completed is the same as above.

Failure to complete the membership form will result in the player being classes as a non-member and ineligible to play in a league team or any Federation only events.

- 8.1 All members are entitled to play in Federation league competition unless:
- a) The member is unfinancial with the Federation
 - b) Is suspended from competition through discipline or behaviour issues.
 - c) Has not received a clearance from their former club
 - d) Individual breaches the grading system points or restrictions.
 - e) Individual has not qualified to play in a final for a team

Underage players/members are permitted to play in Federation leagues and events, provided they are accompanied by a parent or guardian (with a note of consent). Subject to premises licensee approval.

8.2 Penalties for breaches

- a) in league finals – loss of frame played and or fines
- b) In all other instances loss of frames and or suspension

9. Pool Stat

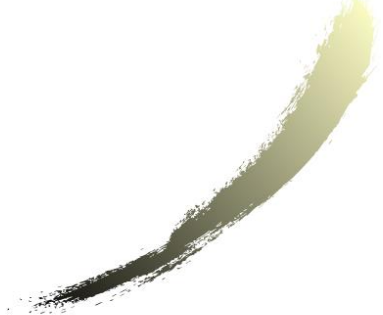
9.1 Pool Stat – General

- a) All venues/players interested in playing Winter or Summer League must submit a hard copy or online nomination form to the WAEBF.
- b) Players are to advise their captain if they play in any other leagues/divisions before inputting into Pool Stat.
- c) Nominated Pool Stat Marshalls are to then create the competition onto the Pool Stat website. For example First Division, Second Division etc.
- d) After the match the Pool Stat marshals are responsible for checking the scores and grading points of each team in their nominated division. If there are no errors the Pool Stat Marshall is the then publish the match.
- e) If the Pool Stat Marshall finds any issues then they are to follow the process of resolution via the WAEBF by-Laws with authority and then they must notify the WAEBF Board instantly.
- f) If there are issues that arise that the Pool Stat Marshall can't refer to in WAEBF By-Laws then the Pool Stat Marshall is to leave the match's scores as they are and notify the WAEBF Board.
- g) If there has been a player(s) entered into the match that is shown to have Temporary Point (T next to their name) the Pool Stat Marshall is to check the grading points of the Temporary Pointed Player. This can be done by going to the www.poolwest.com.au website.
Clicking Leagues – the league that is in question – the team that is in question – Single Stats – The individual in question. The players grading points will show up as (Rank ##).
- h) The WAEBF will not make any amendment to any match after both captains have finalised the score, even received by complaint.

9.2 Pool Stat – The Responsibilities of the captains

The responsibility of the captains in regards to operating Pool Stat on the night of match play is:

- a) To select the players and line up of the match

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- b) Both Captains are responsible for checking grading points of their team members.
 - c) Check ongoing result on Pool Stat
 - d) The home Team Captain is responsible for inputting the win/loss result on Pool Stat
 - e) Both Captains are to check the scores during the match and before finalising result
 - f) Both Captains are to finalise the score of the match.
 - g) If one of both captains notice an error then the scores are not to be finalised and the disputing Captain(s) are to inform the WAEBF Board.
 - h) The WAEBF will not make any amendment to any match after both captains have finalised the score, even received by complaint.
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