**DUBLIN SOUTH REGION**

**FANAGAN LEAGUE**

**REGULATIONS, PROCEDURES & GUIDELINES**

1. There shall be separate Leagues for SENIOR OPEN, SENIOR INTERMEDIATE, CONFINED MASTER, INTERMEDIATE A, INTERMEDIATE B and NOVICE
2. Clubs may enter any number of teams in each League
3. The Entry Fee per team must be paid by the club
4. There is no restriction on the number of players representing each club team
5. A player must be an affiliated member of the club for which they play
6. NOTE: A player may play for only one team in one club in the same League season

EXCEPTION: A player may play in a SENIOR League for one club *and* in another League, for which they are eligible, for that same club *or* for another club of which they are an affiliated member

1. Each Team Captain shall be the contact person with the League Organiser
2. Players may play in a League higher than their CBAI grading as on 01 September of the current League season but not in a League lower than their CBAI grading as on this date
3. Matches shall be played in the Home Club’s premises on that club’s normal bridge night
4. Changes of match dates and/or venue may be made by agreement between both teams’ Captains
5. Visiting teams should not incur any expenses (e.g. table money, supper etc)
6. All matches shall be over 20 or 24 boards by agreement between both teams’ Captains
7. Matches shall be played in two segments of 10 or 12 boards
8. Boards must be dealt at the tables on the night of a match
9. Up to six players may participate in any one match but there shall be no change of a player or players within a segment of play. All players must sign the Match Result Card.
10. The completed Match Result Card must be signed by both Captains and posted or emailed to the League Organiser by the Home Team Captain within two days following a match
11. The submitted result of each match shall be the pending result until ratified by the League Organiser
12. League Points shall be the Victory Points scored in each match
13. Cumulative scores of the League teams will be updated regularly on the Dublin South Region web site
14. Where there is a tie in the total Victory Points gained by two or more teams in a League/League Division, these teams shall share the award for winning that League/League Division
15. Disputes and/or appeals must be reported to the League Organiser within two days following a match
16. The League Organiser, in consultation with at least two members of the Tournament and Play Committee and/or in consultation with at least two Officers of the DSR Management Committee, shall make the final decision on each and any dispute or appeal
17. All penalties imposed shall be applied immediately to an offending team’s cumulative score
18. Master Points shall be awarded to players in line with THE CBAI MASTER POINTS SCHEME

**FANAGAN LEAGUE 2016 – 2017**

**INFRINGEMENT OF REGULATION OR GUIDELINE OR PROCEDURE**

An infringement would, for example, include a breach in match procedure or having an ineligible player\* on a team or not agreeing a date to play a rescheduled match.

\*An ineligible player is a player whose CBAI grade is higher than that of the league team for which they play or a player who has played for another team, other than a Senior team, in the league.

1. In the first instance, the non-offending team shall be given the option of replaying the match
2. If the option to replay the match is taken by the offending team, the non-offending team
3. Shall offer a choice of suitable dates to the offending team to replay the match (possibly in a time frame to be decided by the League Organiser)
4. Shall have the choice of venue (could be a neutral venue)
5. The result of a replayed match shall stand and the offending team shall have at least a 3 VPs penalty/fine imposed that shall be put on record
6. If the non-offending team chooses not to replay the match, the result shall stand and the offending team shall have at least a 3 VPs penalty/fine imposed and put on record
7. If the offending team chooses not to replay the match, the match may then be deemed to be a walkover and 12 VPs shall be awarded to the non-offending team and 0 VPs to the offending team or other result as determined by the DSR Management Committee
8. Any penalty/fine imposed on a team shall be applied when the infringement is deemed to occur.
9. The League Organiser shall keep records of all penalties/fines imposed on teams

**MATCH NOT PLAYED**

(a) Every effort should be made to reschedule a match but, if this has not been possible, the match is then deemed to be a walkover and 12 VPs shall be awarded to the non-offending team and 0 VPs to the offending team or other result as determined by the DSR Management Committee

(b) Where a team has been awarded 12 VPs for a walkover and their average score is greater, an adjustment will be made to the walkover score at the end of the league season

(c) Where a team plays 50% or more of their matches, each match not played shall be deemed a walkover in line with (b) above

(d) Where a team plays less than 50% of their matches, the scores of matches played shall be scrapped

**PLAYERS’ GRADES**

(a) The CBAI grade of a team player as on 01 September of a bridge year shall be their grade for the purpose of the league season of that year

(b) Where the CBAI re-grades a player to a higher grade during a bridge year, their grade as on the 01 September of that bridge year shall be their grade for the purposes of the league season of that year

(c) Where the CBAI re-grades a player to a lower grade during a bridge year, then this grade shall be their grade for the remainder of the league season of that year

Management Committee Meeting, 05 July 2015