

Regulations for Young Chelsea Super League

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For any situation not covered by the regulations below the appropriate EBU regulations will apply.

The Young Chelsea Super League (YCSL) is organised by the Young Chelsea Super League Organising Committee (YCSLOC). Any issues outside of a scheduled playing session should be raised with the YCSLOC. Issues during a playing session should be raised with the director at the time. The committee's decision is final and there will be no higher appeal.

The YCSL is open to any player who is in good standing with the Young Chelsea Bridge Club. The YCSLOC has the right to deny any player entry to the competition without stating its reasons.

Matches are played over 24 boards, in two stanzas, of pre-duplicated hands, by teams of four to six players. Where both teams are using 4 players there is a mandatory swap of opponents after the first stanza. Scoring is by IMPs converted to Victory Points using the WBF Continuous scale.

Teams and Substitutes

Teams are allowed up to eight members, with no more than six players playing in any one match. No player may be part of more than one team in the YCSL during any season. One player will be assigned captain of the team.

Substitutes are allowed provided that they are not part of another team in the same division, or have played as a substitute in another team in the same division during the same season. Any player, part of a team in division one, playing as a substitute in division 2, will incur an automatic handicap of 1 IMP per board. Any individual who substitutes more than once for the same team is considered to be a member of that team.

It is the responsibility of the captains to ensure that the players sit in the right direction and that the score is recorded correctly.

If a team intends to use more than 4 players during a match then the opposing captain must be told before the start of the match. In the case of a team using a third pair for the second stanza, the pair playing both stanzas must not play the same opponents for both stanzas.

In the case of one team re-arranging the partnerships within the team for the second stanza, the opposing team shall have full seating rights for that stanza. All formations must remain constant throughout the stanza, with the exception of players unable to complete the match.

System Agreements

System Agreements are allowed at EBU Level 4. Methods allowed at EBU Level 5 may be permitted and any pair wishing to use such methods should apply to the YCSLOC.

Rearranged Matches

Rearranged matches must be played at the host venue after the first date and before the last date of the season for the division in question. A request for postponement of a match needs to be made by email to Jonathan Lillycrop (YCSL TD) <jlillycrop@gmail.com> and cc : youngchelsea@btconnect.com. It is the responsibility of the captain of the team requesting the match be rearranged to ensure that the TD has been informed.

If any team needs to rearrange a match, the following will apply:

- a) Until one week before the start of the season teams can give notification of any dates during the season when they are unable to play. Where possible the draw will be done (or altered) so that teams who both cannot make a date are playing each other. Where this is not possible the match will be played on a mutually convenient alternative date by agreement of the two captains. There will be no fine.
- b) Provided notice is given to the TD at least two weeks before the playing date then the match will be played on a mutually convenient alternative date by agreement of the two captains. There will be no fine.
- c) If notice is given to the TD less than two weeks before the playing date then the match will be played on a mutually convenient alternative date by agreement of the two captains but the team requesting the rearrangement will be fined 1VP.
- d) If a team fails to turn up having notified their opposition but not the TD then this will be treated under c) above.
- e) If a team fails to turn up having not notified the TD or their opposition beforehand then the opposing team will be given a walkover. The walkover will be scored as follows:

The opposing team of the team that failed to turn up will score the highest of:

- 1) 12 VPs
- 2) Their Average VP score for the season
- 3) 20 – Average VP score of the team that failed to turn up for the season

This is to be calculated at the end of the season when all matches have been played. The team that failed to turn up gets 20 less that score.

Rulings

If a ruling is needed the director should be called to the table. If it is a rearranged match where a director is not present then for straight forward cases the players may be able to read the appropriate laws themselves and resolve the situation. If there is uncertainty and for more complicated matters Jonathan Lillycrop (YCSL TD) can be contacted by phone on 07838 381933.

Regulations for Matches Played Online

BBO will be the platform for playing matches online, this is subject to chance in the future at the discretion of the YCSLOC.

The YCSL TD will setup all matches. Unless circumstances prevent it all matches will be played with the same boards so Cross IMPs can be calculated.

Kibitzers will not be allowed. Barometer will be turned off.

Undos are allowed in the auction for genuine 'misclicks' – a 'misclick' corresponds to a 'mechanical error', see Law 25A2. The time limit on corrections in Law 25A (until partner makes a call) does not apply – there is no way to stop LHO and partner bidding as a player locates the UNDO button, or otherwise indicates that they have misclicked – UNDOs are allowed even if partner has called as long as the situation has not got completely out of hand.

UNDOs should also be requested (and allowed) when there has been a correction of a mistaken explanation and Law 21B1 (a) allows a non-offending player to change the last call by their side.