

SUMMER 2024 SEASON NEWSLETTER - APRIL 2024

AMENDED RULES FOR THIS SEASON

Welcome to the SRPL Summer Season 2024!

Following the poll on our Facebook group and lengthy discussion by the committee, here are further details of the rule changes that we are trialling in the Summer 2024 season with a view to introducing them in the Winter 2024/5 season if they prove successful.

Matches to start at 8:15pm

- Matches now start at 8:15pm instead of 8:30pm.
- If play has not started by 8:25pm, the offending team will forfeit the first frame of the match.
- If play has not started by 8:35pm then the offending team will forfeit the second frame of the match.
- If play has not started by 8:45pm, then the offending team will forfeit the match. Their opponents will receive a 5-0 win and the offending team will have 5 points deducted [unless it is the last league/group match of the season when the existing 10 point penalties will be applied].

Amended rules for talking in doubles frames



- Talking can now only take place while your opponents are completing their visit.
- Talking between partners must cease when the final ball stops moving at the end of their opponent's visit.
- A brief 30 second period immediately following the break is permitted to agree on which colour that pair wants to attempt to get.

Shot clock implementation due to slow play

- If the doubles frame has not started by 9:30pm then a 1 minute shot clock will automatically be required from the start of the next frame after 9:30pm.
- Timekeeper to be a player of the opposite team to the referee.
- Timekeeper starts the clock once balls stop moving and clearly states "30 seconds" regardless of the players' intentions.
- Legitimate pauses in the clock are permitted due to (for example) congestion around the table, player disabilities, referees to check for total snooker.

More in depth details about these changes, along with examples of scenarios, are in the pinned post on our Facebook page.

These changes are trials and we are keen to gather feedback on how they work for players this season. Please get in touch with committee if you'd like to give yours.

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SRPL PRESENTATION NIGHT 2024

Join us on **Saturday 7th September @ The Obelisk, Woolston** for an evening of trophies, food and pool competitions!

We will awarding the trophies for the Winter 2023/24 and Summer 2024 seasons and plenty of bonus trophies for the statistics gathered during the Winter season.

Everyone is welcome so please bring your family and friends and enjoy an evening out all courtesy of the SRPL Committee.

Don't forget: if you've got trophies to collect you'll need to attend as they won't be available anywhere else!

JOIN OUR FREE TO ENTER SINGLES COMPETITION

Head over to our **Facebook group** before the 7th April to enter our **FREE** singles competition.

Simply comment on the post from your own Facebook account stating your preferred home venue (must be a Summer season registered team venue) and you'll be added to the draw.

Players will need to play at least one league frame in the first 4 weeks of the Summer season to validate their entry.

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Thanks for reading. Have a great season!