

## FINES & PENALTIES - 2021

The below penalties are to be applied where a breach of rules, conditions or competition formats have occurred.

- 1. Demerit Point
  - a. Each breach of the below rules will attract a minimum 40% of available team points per round identified as a "demerit point".
  - b. A demerit equals 40% of available team points per round
- 2. <u>Reporting Results</u>
  - a. Failure to text the results of games/matches at completion of match to the recorder (1 demerit)
  - b. Failure to email the game sheet (as an attachment) to results@snookercc.com within 24 hours of completion of match (1 demerit).
- 3. Teams Competitions
  - a. Handicaps
    - i. Playing any player/s off the wrong handicap
      - 1. If opponent disadvantaged, the frame/s will be awarded to the opponent regardless of actual result.
      - 2. If opponent disadvantaged, a demerit point penalty will be issued, suspended for duration of championship for a first breach.
      - 3. If opponent not disadvantaged there is no demerit point penalty however, the player/s must not claim an additional two (2) point handicap as a result of a loss and must stay on that handicap for the next game.
      - 4. Any subsequent breaches will incur a demerit point plus suspended demerit point per round, equalling 2 demerit points.
  - b. Dress code
    - i. Preliminary Rounds:
      - Any player/s not wearing a team shirt identifying the club they represent will disqualify their team from being awarded a bonus point
    - ii. Finals
      - 1. Any player/s not complying with dress code will be penalised as follows:
        - a. No dress trousers not eligible to play

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- b. No team shirt identifying the club they represent not eligible to play
- c. No covered dress shoes not eligible to play
- c. Late commencement of play
  - i. All rounds:
    - Play not able to start on time (i.e. as scheduled in the draw) and with <u>no</u> prior arrangement with team captains, a 1 frame penalty will be awarded to the waiting player, 50 points for billiards
    - Play not able to start on time with prior agreement with team captains allows an additional 15 minutes, after that a substitute is allowed or 1 frame will be awarded to the waiting player, 50 points for billiards
    - 3. Play not commenced within 30 minutes of scheduled start time, all available frames will be conceded to the waiting player, or match for billiards
- d. Forfeit
- 1. In the event of a team forfeit a \$100.00 fine will be issued to the member club (includes games fees for 2 teams)
- 2. In the event of a player forfeit a \$10.00 fine will be issued to the member's club (includes game fees for 2 players)
- 3. In the event a team withdraws from a competition a \$100 fine plus games fees for each unplayed game (games fees must include scheduled opponents game fees as well)
- e. Behaviour

Inappropriate or bad behaviour such as arguments, swearing, physical abuse or failure to comply with health and safety requirements in regard to Covid-19 will not be tolerated in any SBCC event. It is the duty of Team Captains to step in immediately if any type of inappropriate behaviour starts and resolve the situation. If this is not done, penalties may be imposed on the Team Captain

- In the event of bad player behaviour, the incident should be reported to SBCC and if proven a player suspension and/or ban may be imposed, including points penalty to team represented.
- ii. Any complaints by a player or a team must first go through their own club committee and the club committee will then contact the SBCC Secretary if deemed warranted
- f. Ineligible player
  - i. If a team plays an unregistered, suspended, or non-financial player, a demerit penalty will be imposed, plus the loss of any points that player may have won.
  - ii. An opposition team/player will receive maximum available points if they have lost to an "ineligible" player.
  - iii. If a team receives a winning bonus point as a result of playing an ineligible player, that point will be removed from the result.
  - iv. If a team denies an opposition team from winning a bonus point as a direct result of an ineligible player winning, the 1 bonus point will be awarded to the opposition

- 4. Unpaid fines/fees
  - a. Any club with invoices 30 days overdue will have all registered teams penalised a demerit per round from date payment was due.
  - b. Any club with invoices 60 days overdue will have all registered teams penalised a demerit per round from the date payment was due and will be issued with a notice to suspend all players until accounts are settled.
- 5. Member Meetings
  - Any club not represented at a SBCC member meeting without an apology shall be fined \$25.00. Fines will be itemised on monthly invoice. Apologies may be made to any SBCC Board member (see website for contact details: <u>https://snookercc.com/board.aspx</u>)
  - b. Any club failing to be represented at two (2) consecutive SBCC member meetings will be fined \$100.00
  - c. Apologies for missing a members meeting can only be accepted once. Consecutive apologies cannot be accepted and above fines will apply.
- 6. Extraordinary
  - a. SBCC reserves the right to suspend and/or impose a points and/or financial penalty to any player and/or club if they have been found guilty to have deliberately breached any of the imposed playing regulations and guidelines.
- 7. Disclaimer
  - a. SBCC prepares competitions for all members, by participation you automatically agree to all the terms in this document.
  - b. The SBCC Board reserves the right to alter any rules pertaining to this format at any time deemed necessary and appropriate in the best interest of its members and SBCC.

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