

2017 - 2018
Team League Rules
November 2017 to March 2018

The TEAM LEAGUE season will be played on THURSDAY evenings again this year. We are purposely emphasizing the word TEAM (capital letters) because this is the distinctive feature of the league and the reason why you should play if you are interested.

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE YOU COMMIT TO PLAY.

We want everyone who plays to be fully committed to coming on THURSDAY evenings and, not simply playing your own match, but also supporting, coaching, and mentoring your other teammates. The idea is for the higher-skilled players to help lower skilled players get better. The only way this works is when everyone makes a commitment to the concept of TEAM.

If you can't make this commitment, please don't sign up. We want you to play but only if you can commit to coming and supporting your team. We have other individual leagues, ladders, tournaments, challenge nights, and other events for you to play. You can also sign up to be a substitute which will allow you to occasionally play when needed.

PURPOSE OF TEAM LEAGUE

The primary purpose of the TEAM LEAGUE is to create a social squash evening where players of all standards (from beginner to advanced) interact with each other.

COST

Members:\$90 for adults, \$60 for juniors and students

TIME COMMITMENT

The expectation is for league participants to commit to at least 2 hours on Thursday evening. This should allow you to play your match as well as referee and support most of your other teammates. There will be some flexibility but remember the idea is to come and support your team. If you can't commit to at least 2 hours, then (as stated earlier) please don't sign up.

“Late Start” matches. Because we have 15 teams this year and we only have 6 courts, 12 Teams will play from 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM. The other two scheduled teams each

week will be “Late Start” teams will play as soon as the other matches are complete. “Late Start” teams should plan on coming at 7:30 PM or earlier if they want.

SUBSTITUTES AND RESCHEDULING

The flexibility to reschedule is the biggest issue for everyone. We recognize that none of us are going to be able to make it every week. Although rescheduling allows flexibility it does ruin the TEAM cohesiveness and the Thursday evening social experience. With this in mind, if you cannot make a match, you will be responsible to reschedule (nor more than TWO matches) or you must find a substitute to play for you. We will have a list of “approved” substitutes for each level of play (note, substitutes receive $\frac{1}{2}$ points for the Team). Also, in the event that a substitute cannot be arranged, we will allow lower-skilled team members to substitute up and play for a higher-skilled team member who cannot make a Thursday match.

POINTS AND SCORING

Each individual match result will be scored in the following manner:

3-0 match; 5 points to winner, 0 points to loser,

3-1 match; 4 points to winner, 1 point to loser,

3-2 match; 3 points to winner, 2 points to loser.

BONUS POINTS

Each player has the potential to receive 2 additional bonus points each evening: 1 for being there for at least two hours, 1 for refereeing (or helping to referee) at least one match.

FOOD ASSIGNMENT

Every other week your team will be responsible to bring food to share with all other teams. This is a very important part of the league evening. Make sure to check the schedule each week to see if your team is bringing food.

CAPTAINS RESPONSIBILITY

Each team will choose a team captain who will be responsible to calculate points each week and turn into Squashworks Staff. Also, the team captain will be responsible to make sure everyone is coming each week and to help coordinate substitutes if necessary.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE AND ORDER-OF-PLAY

We will publish a schedule online.

The following dates are tentative: 11/16, 11/30, 12/1, 12/7, 12/14, 1/4, 1/11, 1/18, 1/25, 2/1, 2/8, 2/15, 2/22, 3/1, Playoffs: 3/8, 3/15, 3/22, 3/29

PRIZES

Racquets will be given to each member of the team who wins the regular season championship. Racquets will also be given to the winners of each individual division.

In addition, prizes will be given to 1st and 2nd team finishers of the season ending playoffs.